

Specification for Ophthalmic Reports

The UK regulations and CAA's guidance material for fitness decisions, acceptable treatments and required investigations (if specified) can be found in the medical section of the CAA website (www.caa.co.uk/medical). For many conditions, there are also flow charts available for guidance on the assessment process.

The following subheadings are for guidance purposes only and should not be taken as an exhaustive list.

History

- Presenting symptoms, nature of condition, circumstances surrounding onset, precipitating factors, other relevant medical history, medication.
- Details of any surgical procedures (enclose reports if applicable) to include date(s) of treatment and side effects / complications.

Examination and investigation findings

- Uncorrected and corrected (if applicable) visual acuities (right, left, both) - distant (6m), intermediate (1m) and near (30-50cm).
- Current refractive error.
- Clinical findings such as slit lamp examination, retinal examination, visual fields (note: monocular and binocular Esterman visual fields, using the respective programme, required when a field loss present) and/or other relevant procedures.

Current clinical status and clinical implications

- Is condition stable and adequately treated / controlled?
- Any concerns regarding progression, treatment compliance, risk of sudden incapacity, progressive reduced function or recurrence.

Anticipated follow up

- Required / advised follow up, frequency of reviews and investigations.

Note: for the following specific conditions, additional reports are required.

Refractive surgery

Type of surgery (LASIK, SMILE, LASEK, PRK etc), pre-operative and post-operative refractions. Note Class 1 & 3 applicants are also required to attend an AeroMedical Centre for formal assessment. See [guidance following eye surgery](#).

Cataract surgery

Make, model and type of intraocular implant used (monofocal, multifocal, toric). Note Class 1 & 3 applicants are also required to attend an AeroMedical Centre for formal assessment. See [guidance following eye surgery](#).

Glaucoma, ocular hypertension and pigment dispersion syndrome

Monocular and binocular Esterman fields (for ongoing monitoring, central threshold fields such as Humphrey 24-2). See [guidance for common eye conditions](#) and [guidance following eye surgery](#).

Keratoconus

Details of treatment (spectacles, contact lenses, cross linking, corneal transplant), corrected visual acuities with spectacles and/or contact lenses, corneal topographies (in colour). See [visual system guidance material](#) and [guidance following eye surgery](#).

Vascular conditions (BRVO, AION, CRVO, BRAO, CRAO, Amaurosis Fugax):

Visual fields (monocular and binocular Esterman), cardiovascular review (refer to [flow chart for investigation of suspected artery disease](#)). See also [retinal arterial disorders](#) and [retinal vein occlusion - RVO](#).

Retinal surgery

Monocular and binocular Esterman fields. See [guidance following eye surgery](#).

Minimum recertification periods may also be found on the relevant pages of the website. Further follow-up reports may be required for ongoing medical certification.