



Cataract Self-Assessment Questionnaire

Patient's details	Optometrist details
<i>Firstname:</i>	<i>Optometrist:</i>
<i>Lastname:</i>	<i>Practice:</i>
<i>Address:</i>	
<i>DOB:</i>	
<i>Phone:</i>	GP details
<i>Mobile:</i>	<i>GP name:</i>
<i>Email:</i>	<i>Practice:</i>
<i>NHS number:</i>	
	<i>Code:</i>

This form is designed to help you have your cataract treated in the best way possible.

Please complete **ALL** the sections. If you are unable to provide any of the information, please ask a member of your family or a friend to help.

If you have any problems completing the form, the optometrist will help you. Please bring details of all your medication with you (either a repeat prescription list or the medicines themselves.)

Section 1: Past eye history

1. Do you currently have, or have you previously had, any other eye conditions?	Yes	No
<i>If yes, please give details:</i>		

2. Have you had any previous eye operations including refractive surgery or laser treatment?	Yes	No
<i>If yes, please give details:</i>		
<i>Please describe any problems with the operation (if applicable):</i>		

Section 2: Your general health

1. Do you have high blood pressure requiring treatment?	Yes	No
If yes:	Are you on treatment?	No
	Is it currently stable?	No

2. Do you have diabetes? (high blood sugar)	Yes	No
If yes:	Do you take insulin?	No
	Do you take tablets?	No
	Or is it managed by diet?	No
	What is your most recent HbA1C reading (if known)	

3. Do you have angina?	Yes	No
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4. Have you had a heart attack within the last three months?	Yes	No
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5. Do you have epilepsy or blackouts	Yes	No
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6. Do you suffer from head or neck stiffness?	Yes	No
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7. Do you have recurrent breathing difficulties? (e.g. severe asthma or chronic bronchitis)	Yes	No
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8. Can you walk a single flight of stairs without getting short of breath?	Yes	No
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9. Can you lie flat for up to 30 minutes?	Yes	No
If no:	Is this due to shortness of breath?	No
	Is this due to joint or muscle stiffness?	No

10. Do you suffer from panic attacks or claustrophobia?	Yes	No
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11. Do you smoke?	Yes	No
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Section 3: Medicine

1. Do you regularly take any of the following medicines?		
Heart medicine (<i>e.g. Digoxin</i>)	Yes	No
High blood pressure medicine	Yes	No
Steroids	Yes	No
Aspirin	Yes	No
Anticoagulants or blood thinning medicines (<i>e.g. Warfarin/Clopidrogel</i>)	Yes	No
Tamulosin (Flomax)	Yes	No
Inhalers	Yes	No
Insulin or blood sugar tablets	Yes	No

2. Are you allergic to local anaesthetic?	Yes	No
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3. Are you allergic to any medicine?	Yes	No
<i>If yes, please give details:</i>		

4. Please detail any other medicine/tablets you are taking (or attach a repeat prescription)

Section 4: Practical concerns

1. Are you able to walk unaided?		Yes		No	
If no:	Can you do so with the aid of a stick or helper?	Yes		No	
2. If required, would you be able to apply eye drops?		Yes		No	
If no:	Do you have family or friends who could do so?	Yes		No	
3. If you need a home visit for the assessment, are you able to travel to the treatment?		Yes		No	
4. Do you have <u>significant</u> hearing loss?		Yes		No	
	If so, do you require someone who can use sign language to be present?	Yes		No	
5. Do you require an interpreter?		Yes		No	
If so, which language do you require the interpreter to speak?					

Section 5: How is the cataract affecting your life?

1. Is your sight causing you any difficulty with mobility <i>e.g. crossing roads, managing steps, using buses?</i>	Yes	No	
2. Do you have problems with glare in sunlight, or from car headlights?	Yes	No	
3. If you drive, do you still feel confident to do so?	Yes	No	
4. Is your vision affecting your ability to look after yourself? <i>e.g. cooking, housework, dressing</i>	Yes	No	
5. Is your quality of life affected by visual difficulties? <i>e.g. reading, watching TV, hobbies, sport</i>	Yes	No	
6. Is your vision causing problems socially? <i>e.g. recognising people, handling coins and notes?</i>	Yes	No	
7. How much better do you think your life would be without a cataract?			
Please tick one:	A lot?		
	Moderately?		
	Slightly		
	Not at all?		

Finally:

1. If the eye specialist was to offer you cataract surgery, would you want it at this time?	Yes	No	
2. Do you feel you were given enough time to consider whether or not to proceed with cataract surgery?	Yes	No	

In order to provide you with the most appropriate care, it will be necessary for the optometrist to exchange information relating to your cataract with your GP and the eye clinic. It may also be necessary for the eye clinic to provide information to your optometrist. Any information that is sent or received will be kept securely and will remain confidential.

Signed.....Date.....