

Eye Drops used for Diabetic Eye Screening

Tropicamide 1.0% and Phenylephrine 2.5% are used to make the pupils larger than usual so that the screener can take photographs of the back of your eye.

The drops may cause some stinging for a few seconds and will take about 20 – 30 minutes to take effect. This will cause your vision to blur and sensitivity to bright light.

You may experience blurring of vision. Please do not drive until your pupils have returned to normal size and your vision has recovered.

Following this appointment if you experience any pain or severe discomfort in or over your eyes, or worsening vision, please contact your local hospital.

Please contact the hospital nearest to you

Monday – Friday 9am – 5pm

York: 01904 726758

Scarborough: 01723 342215

(Out of hours call **01904 631313** and ask for ophthalmic doctor or ophthalmic nurse on call)

Harrogate: 01423 553300

(Out of hours call 01423 542217)

Northallerton: 01609 763334

Leeds: 01132 432799

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