

Common Optometry/Ophthalmology

Abbreviations

Common clinical condition terms

ARMD/AMD	Age Related Macular Degeneration
BDR	Background diabetic retinopathy
BP	Blood pressure
BRAO	Branch retinal artery occlusion
BRVO	Branch retinal vein occlusion
CAG/ACG	Closed Angle Glaucoma
CALPC	Contact lens associated papillary conjunctivitis
CLARE	Contact lens associated red eye
CLPU	Contact lens associated peripheral ulcer
CRAO	Central retinal artery occlusion
CRVO	Central retinal vein occlusion
CVA	Cerebrovascular accident
DR	Diabetic retinopathy
GPC	Giant papillary conjunctivitis
IDDM	Insulin dependent diabetes mellitus
IRMA	Intra-retinal microvascular abnormality
KCS	Keratoconjunctivitis sicca
KP	Keratic Precipitates
LASEK	Laser epithelial keratomileusis
LASIK	Laser in situ keratomileusis
MI	Myocardial infarction

MS	Multiple sclerosis
NIDDM	Non-insulin dependent diabetes mellitus
NS	Nuclear sclerosis
NTG	Normal tension glaucoma
PDR	Proliferative diabetic retinopathy
PDT	Photodynamic therapy
PK	Penetrating keratoplasty
POAG	Primary open angle glaucoma
PPDR	Preproliferative diabetic retinopathy
PRK	Photorefractive keratectomy
PRP	Pan retinal photocoagulation
PSC	Posterior sub-capsular cataract
PVD	Posterior vitreous detachment
RCEE	Recurrent corneal epithelial erosion
RD	Retinal detachment
RK	Radial keratotomy
RP	Retinitis Pigmentosa
SEAL	Superior epithelial arcuate lesion
SPK	Superficial punctate keratitis
TESA	Trans-Epithelial Surface Ablation
TIA	Transient ischaemic attack



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AC	Anterior Chamber
AC/A	Accommodative convergence/ accommodation ratio
Acc	Accommodation
Add	Reading Addition
ALT SOT	Alternating esotropia
ALT XOT	Alternating exotropia
ARC	Anomalous retinal correspondence
A/V	Arteriole/Venue ratio
BE	Both Eyes
BCVA	Best Corrected Visual acuity
BV	Binocular vision
BVD	Back vertex distance
BVP	Back vertex power
c	With
C/D	Cup/disc ratio
c/o	Complains of...
CC	Chief Complaint
CF	Counting fingers (Vision)
CT	Cover test
D	Dioptres
DC	Dioptres Cylinder

DNA	Did not attend
DOB	Date of Birth
DS	Dioptres sphere
DV	Distance vision
DVD	Dissociated vertical divergence
EF	Eccentric fixation
FB	Foreign body
FD	Fixation disparity
FOH	Family ocular history
FGH/FMH	Family General Health/Medical History
F/U	Follow up appointment
GH	General health
GP	General Medical Practitioner
HA or H/as	Headaches
HARC	Harmonious abnormal retinal correspondence
HM	Hand movements vision
Hx	History
IOL	Intra-ocular lens
IOP	Intra-ocular pressure
ISNT	Inferior, Superior, Nasal, Temporal rule for optic disc
K	Keratometry



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Common Eye examination terms 2/3

LE	Left eye
LEE	Last Eye Examination
LME	Last Medical Examination
LO	Lenticular opacities
L/R	Left Hyperphoria
LSOT	Left Esotropia
LVA	Low Vision Aid
MDU	Mallet Distance Unit
MNU	Mallet Near Unit
M.Wing	Maddox Wing
MR	Maddox Rod
MWT	Maximum Wearing time
NCT	Non-contact tonometer
NPL	No perception of light
NPC	Near point of convergence
NRC	Normal retinal correspondence
NV	Near Vision
NWT	Normal Wearing time
OC	Optical Centres
Occ.	Occupation
OD	Right Eye (Oculus Dexter)

OH	Ocular history
OMB	Oculomotor balance
ONH	Optic nerve head
Oph	Ophthalmoscopy
OS	Left eye (Oculus Sinister)
PD	Pupillary distance
PERRLA	Pupils equal, round, reactive to light, accommodation
PH	Pinhole
PL	Perception of light
POH	Previous ocular history
PPA	Peri-papillary atrophy
Px (or Pt)	Patient
RAPD	Relative afferent pupillary Defect
RE	Right eye
Ret.	Retinoscopy
RFV	Reason for Visit
RHyperT	Right Hypertropia
RHypoT	Right Hypotropia
RNFL	Retinal nerve fibre layer
RPE	Retinal pigment epithelium
RSOT	Right Esotropia



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Common Eye examination terms 3/3

Rx	Prescription
s	Without
SLE	Slit lamp examination
SOP/ESOP	Esophoria
SOT/ESOT	Esotropia
Supp.	Suppression
Sx	Symptoms

V	Vision (unaided)
VA	Visual acuity (corrected)
VDU	Visual display unit
VF	Visual Fields
WD	Working distance
XOP/EXOP	Exophoria
XOT/EXOT	Exotropia

Drug Dosage and Recall date abbreviations

A.d.	As directed
b.d/b.i.d.	Twice a day
GSL	General sales list
Gutt/g	Guttae (drops)
Meds	Medications
Nocte	At night
o.d	Once a day
OTC	Over the counter medication
P	Pharmacy (drug)
POM	Prescription only medicine

p.r.n.	When required
q.d.s./q.i.d.	Four times a day
q.h.	Every Hour
Rx	Prescription
t.d.s./t.i.d.	Three times a day
Ung	Ointment
(?)/7	(?) days
(?)/52	(?) weeks
(?)/12	(?) months



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Contact lens terms

BC	Base Curve
BOZD	Back optic zone diameter
BOZR	Back optic zone radius
BVD	Back Vertex Distance
BVP	Back vertex power
Dk	Oxygen permeability
Dk/t	Oxygen Transmissibility
DW	Daily wear
EW	Extended wear
FOZD	Front optic zone diameter
FVP	Front vertex power
HEMA	Hydroxyethyl methacrylate
HVID	Horizontal visible iris diameter
K	Keratometry

MWT	Maximum wearing time
OZD	Optic zone diameter
PA	Palpebral aperture
PMMA	Polymethyl methacrylate
RGP	Rigid Gas Permeable
SCL	Soft contact lens
SiH	Silicone hydrogel
SEAL	Superior epithelial arcuate lesion
SLK	Superior limbic Keratoconjunctivitis
TBUT	Tear break up time
Tc	Centre thickness
TD	Total Diameter
Te	Edge thickness
WTT	Wearing time today



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