

How to choose the right lenses



Options for state of Indiana employees and their families

When it comes to prescription eyewear, you have several choices for lens options and treatments. These can go a long way in improving the comfort, effectiveness, and life of your glasses. We're here to help you understand the differences between these options and treatments, so you can design the eyewear that's best for you.



Antireflective coating

Placing an antireflective coating on your lenses allows more light to pass through by eliminating reflections from appearing on both the inside and outside of your lenses. With less glare, your eyes won't need to strain as much to see. This is especially helpful when driving at night.

Cost: Varies by brand and type (see chart on back).



Scratch-resistant coating

This type of coating can help with everyday wear and tear. It makes the surface of your lenses much harder, which keeps them looking and working better for longer.

Cost: \$15 for this enhancement.¹



Polycarbonate lenses

These lenses can resist 10 times more impact than plastic or glass lenses, so they're more durable and may last longer. This makes them an ideal choice for children and active adults. They are also thinner, lighter, and equipped with 100% ultraviolet (UV) protection.

Cost: \$20.¹



Bifocals or progressive lenses

If you need help seeing objects both up close and far away, you might be considering bifocals or progressive lenses. Bifocal lenses are separated into distinct areas of near-and-far-vision prescriptions. Progressive lenses provide the most natural vision by seamlessly transitioning between near and far prescriptions within the lens.

Cost: Varies by brand and type (see chart on back).

Access to

38,000+
eye doctors nationwide

Local and national access

Your Blue View Vision Select plan gives you access to a nationwide network of over 38,000 eye doctors at more than 29,000 locations,² so you can purchase glasses from independent eye doctors, national optical retail stores, or online eyewear providers.

Locally, you'll have access to 1,100 eye doctors at 797 locations throughout Indiana.²



How they compare

From the different lenses and treatments listed below, you can choose one option or combine several options into one pair of lenses.

Antireflective coating and costs¹

Standard: \$45	Tier I: \$57	Tier II: \$68	Tier III: \$85
Reduces glare	Reduces glare	Reduces glare	Reduces glare (clearest vision)
Repels water	Repels water	Repels water (easier to clean)	Repels water (easier to clean)
Resists smudges and scratches	Resists smudges	Resists smudges and scratches (easier to clean)	Resists smudges and scratches (more resistant)
	Comprehensive UV protection	Comprehensive UV protection	Repels dust (stays cleaner longer)
			Optimal UV protection

Bifocals and progressive lenses costs¹

Bifocals: \$25 Standard progressives: \$65	Tier I: \$85	Tier II: \$95	Tier III: \$110	Tier IV: \$175
General purpose	More reading comfort	Increased adaptation	Improved adaptation	Greatest adaptation
Manually processed	Manually processed	Manually processed	Digitally processed	Digitally processed
No customization	Softer design	Moderately customizable	Increased clarity at any distance	Sharpest vision based on design and personal measurements
	Minor customizations	Moderate cost	Moderately customizable	Highly customizable
			Moderate/higher cost	Highest cost

Key:

Manually processed - Lenses are created using premolded designs.

Digitally processed - Customized lenses created on a computer specifically for the consumer.

Adaptation - How quickly the consumer will adapt to the progressive lenses.

Do you have questions about your lens options or vision benefits?

Lenses are covered once per year after a \$25 copay, plus additional costs for any lens enhancements that you add. Your frame allowance is \$150, with 20% off of the remaining balance. Frames can be purchased every two years.



We are here to help

If you have questions about your lens options or vision benefits, call Member Services at 877-814-9709.



¹ Prices are for care providers in your plan.

² Zelis Network360[®] data, January 2022.

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