

The Manchester Red Eye Service

You can now get walk-in assessment and treatment for red, sore or itchy eyes through your local optometrist.

What is the Red Eye Service?

This is a free service available to all patients over the age of 12 years who are registered with a Manchester GP.

The service provides a patient experiencing recently occurring red eye conditions with appropriate treatment closer to home or work.

The service is provided by accredited optometrists (also known as opticians) with the specialist knowledge and skills to carry out this work at a local optometry practice.

Eye conditions which can be treated in the Red Eye Service.

The service is designed for recently occurring medical eye conditions such as:

- Red eye/s or eyelids.
- Significant recent discharge from or watering of the eye.
- Irritation and inflammation of eye/s or eyelids.
- Stye – infection at the edge of the eyelid.
- Tear dysfunction – dry eye.

If you are unsure whether your symptoms qualify, please contact one of the optometry practices who can advise you.

How do I access the Red Eye Service?

A list of practices providing the Service is enclosed with this leaflet.

Please be aware that your normal optometry practice may have chosen not to offer this service.

You can contact any of these practices directly (self-refer) to make an appointment and ask to be seen under the Red Eye Service.

Appointments are available during normal working hours and you will be seen within 24 hours.

Alternatively, your GP or other healthcare professional may refer you to the optometrist for treatment.

What happens when I see the optometrist?

The optometrist will discuss your eye history, any symptoms you may be experiencing and any related medical history.

You will receive an eye assessment relevant to your symptoms. This does not replace the routine sight test.

Please take your glasses and a list of current medications with you to the appointment.

As a result of the consultation you may be:

- Given appropriate treatment by the optometrist, this may include a follow-up appointment.
- Referred to your GP for appropriate treatment if your eye condition is related to your general health
- Referred directly to the hospital eye service, if your eye condition is more serious.
- Following your appointment the optometrist will notify your GP about the outcome of your consultation in order to ensure your medical records are updated.

Please note:

This service does not replace the routine eye examination.

A sight test will not be performed as part of the assessment or treatment and you will not be issued with a prescription for glasses.

Remember:

You may not be able to drive immediately after your eye examination.

Eye conditions not treated under the Red Eye Service.

If you have any of the following conditions you must go directly to your nearest Accident and Emergency Department or Manchester Royal Eye Hospital Oxford Road Manchester M13 9WL:

- Sudden loss of vision in one or both eyes
- Considerable eye pain
- Significant trauma, such as penetration injury or lacerations to the eye(s) or lid(s)
- Chemical injury or burns
- Problems arising from recent eye surgery

Participating optometrists.

The following optometrists are part of the Red Eye Service. Please call first.

CCG	Practice	Address	Postcode	Telephone
Central	Blustons Opticians	904 Stockport Road, Levenshulme, Manchester	M19 3AD	(0161) 224 2290
Central	Direct Vision	444 Wilbraham Road, Chorlton, Manchester	M21 0AG	(0161) 860 6363
Central	Direct Vision	827 Stockport Road, Levenshulme, Manchester	M19 3PN	(0161) 248 4200
Central	JSR Opticians	558 Stockport Road, Longsight, Manchester	M12 4JJ	(0161) 225 5943
Central	JSR Opticians	60 Wilmslow Road, Rusholme, Manchester	M14 5AL	(0161) 224 0163
Central	Lindop Opticians	923 Stockport Road, Levenshulme, Manchester	M19 3PZ	(0161) 224 6878
Central	Murray and Haggerty	173 Princess Road, Moss Side, Manchester	M14 4RL	(0161) 226 1031
Central	Optieye Care	646 Hyde Road, Gorton, Manchester	M18 7EE	(0161) 223 2001
Central	Selby and Glover	167 Chapman Street, Gorton, Manchester	M18 8TJ	(0161) 223 0694
Central	You and Eye	172 Wilmslow Road, Rusholme, Manchester	M14 5LQ	(0161) 224 6550
North	Arrowsmith Opticians	672 Rochdale Road, Harpurhey, Manchester	M9 5TT	(0161) 205 2575
North	Eyes Right Opticians	1304 Ashton Old Road, Openshaw, Manchester	M11 1JG	(0161) 370 1553
North	Framed Opticians Ltd	1-3 St Ann's Passage, King Street, City Centre, Manchester	M2 6AB	(0161) 839 6753
North	Gents Bros Opticians	325 Hollinwood Avenue, New Moston, Manchester	M40 0JA	(0161) 681 1348
North	Openshaw Optical Ltd	1313 Ashton Old Road, Openshaw, Manchester	M11 1JS	(0161) 370 1800
North	Optical Express	31 North City Shopping Centre, Rochdale Road, Harpurhey, Manchester	M9 4DH	(0161) 205 6925
North	Specsavers Arndale	Unit 84, Halle Mall, Arndale Centre, City Centre, Manchester	M4 2HU	(0161) 834 6665
North	Specsavers Harpurhey	41 North City Shopping Ctr, Rochdale Road, Harpurhey Manchester	M9 4DH	(0161) 202 8710
North	The Eye Site Opticians	58 Old Bury Road, Cheetham Hill, Manchester	M8 5BN	(0161) 795 2341
North	Vision Service Opticians	4 Progress Buildings, Halliwell Lane, Cheetham Manchester	M8 9ER	(0161) 740 9009
South	David Singh Visioncare	420 Barlow Moor Road, Chorlton, Manchester	M21 8AD	(0161) 860 6656
South	Didsbury Eyecare	717 Wilmslow Road, Didsbury, Manchester	M20 6WF	(0161) 445 7668
South	Guys Opticians	492 Wilmslow Road, Withington, Manchester	M20 3BG	(0161) 445 4723
South	Eye 2 C	2 Gibwood Road, Northenden, Manchester	M22 4BT	(0161) 998 4664
South	Jennings Opticians Ltd	Unit 7 Hale Top, Civic Centre, Wythenshawe Manchester	M22 5RN	(0161) 437 3042
South	Jo Padmore Eyewear	790 Wilmslow Road, Didsbury, Manchester	M20 2DR	(0161) 445 8855
South	Leemings Opticians	1a School Lane, Didsbury, Manchester	M20 6RD	(0161) 445 5307
South	Murray and Haggerty	238 Fog Lane, Didsbury, Manchester	M20 6EL	(0161) 434 4597
South	Specsavers Fallowfield	114 Mauldeth Road, Fallowfield, Manchester	M14 6SQ	(0161) 434 2755
South	Specsavers Wythenshawe	17 The Birtles, Civic Centre, Wythenshawe Manchester	M22 5SA	(0161) 437 9252
South	The Eye Team Ltd	458-460 Wilmslow Rd, Withington, Manchester	M20 3BG	(0161) 445 4441
South	Vision Service Opticians	379 Palatine Road, Northenden, Manchester	M22 4FY	(0161) 998 7874
South	Wheeldon Opticians	106 Palatine Road, West Didsbury, Manchester	M20 3YB	(0161) 445 4253