

INFORMATION REGARDING DILATING EYE DROPS

Dilating eye drops are used to dilate or enlarge the pupils of the eye to allow the eye doctor to get a better view of the inside of your eye.

Dilating drops can blur your vision for a length of time, typically a few hours, however this varies from person to person. The blur is usually more noticeable at near than at distance. Some people are able to see well enough after dilation to drive themselves home, however it is not possible for your eye doctor to predict how much your vision will be affected. Therefore, it is recommended that you make arrangements not to drive yourself or operate machinery until after the effects of the dilation have worn off.

Adverse reaction, such as acute angle-closure glaucoma, may be triggered from the dilating drops. This is extremely rare and treatable with immediate medical attention.

After your dilated examination, disposable sunglasses will be offered at no charge. The sunglasses not only offer protection for your eyes but will help minimize the brightness and glare you may experience with dilated pupils.

I authorize the doctor(s) of Sedalia Eye Associates or their assistants to administer dilating eye drops as deemed necessary to diagnose my eye condition.

This information will be reviewed with you at future appointments where dilation is necessary.

Patient (or person authorized to sign for patient)

Date