

Minor Eye Conditions Service (MECS)



What is MECS?

A new NHS funded service providing assessment and treatment for eye conditions through your local optometrist. This means that you can be seen by an eye specialist at a time and location that it is convenient for you and reduces the time you have to wait to be treated for a minor eye condition.

About the service

MECS is a NHS funded service available to all patients (adults and children) registered with a GP in New Malden.

The service is designed to offer convenient care minor medical eye conditions.



The service is provided by local optometrist who have specialist knowledge and skills to carry out this work.

NOTE: If you have an eye condition that is already being treated by your optometrist or hospital eye service, for example a cataract, glaucoma or diabetic eye disease, this will continue as before and will not be covered by the new service. This service is not a sight test and you will NOT be issued with a prescription for spectacles.

You should continue to visit your usual optician for regular eye examinations and prescriptions as normal.

Eye conditions which can be treated by this service:

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

- Red eye(s)
- significant recent discharge from or watering from the eye
- Mild trauma, for example a scratch to the outer surface of the eye(s) or lid(s)
- Suspected foreign body in the eye
- Mild pain and/or discomfort in the eyes

GO DIRECTLY TO A+E IF YOU HAVE:

- Sudden loss of vision in one or both eyes
- considerable eye pain or trauma
- chemical injuries or burns
- recent eye surgery

How do I access MECS?

You can be referred by your GP practice or you can self refer to the approved optometrist listed below.

You will need an appointment to be seen under the Minor Eye Conditions Service. Appointments are available during the normal working hours and you will be seen within 48 hours but usually on the same day.

Where can I be seen?

Specsavers Opticians And Audiologists
72 High Street, New Malden KT3 4ET
020 8336 7620



Specsavers Opticians And Audiologists
56-58 Clarence St., Kingston Upon
Thames KT1 1NP
020 8974 6677



ASDA Opticians
31 Roehampton Vale, Roehampton SW15
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020 8780 4082



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<https://primaryeye.co.uk/find-a-practice/>