

# **Visual Fields Eye Test**

# What is a visual fields eye test?

This is an eye test used to assess to total area you can see while you focus on a centre point. Your eye's ability to detect a spot of light on a dark or brighter background will be tested.

Some people have a test called a Goldmann visual fields test for driving. This may be required by the Ontario Ministry of Transport.

# Why do I need a visual field test?

This test provides information to your eye doctor to:

- diagnose an ocular (eye) disease
- evaluate a neurological disease
- monitor the progression of an ocular disease
- monitor how well prescribed medications are working
- give to the Ontario Ministry of Transport

### The day of your appointment:

- Plan to arrive no more than 15 minutes before your appointment time.
- You will not be getting drops and will be able to drive yourself after your appointment.

### When you arrive:

- 1. Clean your hands with the pump provided.
- 2. Sit in the waiting room
- 3. Wait to be called to the Registration desk. You will be called according to your scheduled appointment time not the time you arrive
- 4. Register at the Registration desk when called. Be prepared to show your Ontario Health card.
- 5. After registering, a technician will escort you to the visual fields testing room. It is a dark room that you will be in for about 15 minutes.

Plan to be at the Eye Clinic about 1 hour. There are many doctors and patients in this clinic for many tests and procedures so you may see people go in "out of order".

