

Washington State Dispensing Optician Program State Law Examination

Please circle the correct response.

1. Who is responsible for maintaining a record of the dispensing optician apprentice's hours?
 - a) The Department of Health
 - b) The Department of Health Supervisor of the Dispensing Optician Program
 - c) The apprentice's primary supervisor and the apprentice
 - d) The apprentice's employer
2. Who must notify the Secretary when the apprenticeship training is terminated and provide the total number of apprenticeship hours accumulated during the training period?
 - a) The apprentice's employer
 - b) The apprentice
 - c) The Department of Health Supervisor of the Dispensing Program
 - d) The apprentice's primary supervisor
3. All application documentation and fees must be submitted to the Department of Health at least _____ days prior to the scheduled examination.
 - a) 15
 - b) 30
 - c) 60
 - d) 90
4. Every qualified applicant must pass an examination with a score of at least _____ percent in each of the three examination sections.
 - a) 65
 - b) 70
 - c) 75
 - d) 80
5. Which of the following is NOT included in the examination?
 - a) Written basic optical concepts
 - b) Practical
 - c) Written contact lenses
 - d) Written and practical refraction
6. If an applicant fails to pass the entire examination after three consecutive regularly scheduled examinations (emergencies may be considered), the applicant is required to complete
 - a) Reexamination on all three sections
 - b) A one year waiting period
 - c) Additional coursework
 - d) A passing rate of 80%
7. Applicants must complete _____ clock hours of AIDS education.
 - a) 2
 - b) 4
 - c) 6
 - d) 8
8. Contact lens records shall contain all the following information, except:
 - a) DK value of material
 - b) Base Curve
 - c) Power
 - d) Diameter
9. No person may practice or represent himself or herself as a dispensing optician without first having _____
 - a) ABO certification.
 - b) NCLE certification.
 - c) A valid license to do so.
 - d) A doctor's license to work under.
10. A prescription may be written for less than two years if:
 - a) Warranted by the ocular health of the eye
 - b) The prescription is for extended wear contact lenses
 - c) The patient is new
 - d) The prescription is more than plus or minus three diopters.

11. If a prescription is written for less than two years, the prescriber must:
- Contact the optical lab
 - Send a notice to the patient prior to its expiration
 - Maintain a separate log of prescriptions that expire in less than two years
 - Enter an explanatory notation in the patient's record and provide a verbal explanation to the patient at the time of the eye examination
12. How many hours of continuing education must be completed by an optician?
- 15 hours each year
 - 30 hours every 3 years
 - 12 hours every two years
 - 35 hours every two years
13. The finalized contact lens prescriptions shall be available to the patient or the patient's designated practitioner for replacement lenses and may be transmitted by:
- Telephone
 - Facsimile or mail
 - Provided directly to the patient in writing
 - All of the above
14. Which of the following is NOT required as minimum equipment for a Washington licensed dispensing optician while fitting contact lenses?
- Slit lamp or biomicroscope
 - Lensometer
 - Keratometer
 - Binocular indirect ophthalmoscope
15. An unlicensed person may perform mechanical work upon _____ in an optical office, laboratory or shop.
- Inert matter
 - A patient
 - A customer
 - Any consumer
16. A dispensing optician license is required to engage in all of the following, except:
- Engaging in the sale of spectacles, eyeglasses, magnifying glasses, goggles, sunglasses, telescopes, binoculars, or any such articles which are completely preassembled and sold only as merchandise.
 - Measuring pupillary distances on patients.
 - Measuring multifocal heights on patients.
 - Adjusting eyeglasses on patients.
17. A licensed dispensing optician may NOT _____
- Own an optical business.
 - Fabricate, fit and dispense contact lenses upon prescription of an eye doctor.
 - Diagnose, treat, correct or prescribe for any human ailment, disease or injury.
 - Fabricate and dispense eyeglasses made to correct aphakia.
18. When may a licensed dispensing optician fit contact lenses?
- Only upon the request of an established patient.
 - Only when a patient brings in the empty boxes for refill.
 - Up to 4 years after the initial prescription.
 - Only upon a written prescription of physician or optometrist.
19. A license to practice as a dispensing optician must _____
- Be kept on the licensee's person at all times.
 - Be certified and kept on file at the licensee's county courthouse.
 - Be conspicuously displayed in the place of business of the licensee.
 - Be on file with the licensee's employer.
20. A contact lens fitting performed by a licensed dispensing optician, will include all but _____
- Conversion of the spectacle power to contact lens equivalents.
 - Contact lens design.
 - Material and manufacturer of the lens.
 - Alteration of the effect of the written prescription.
21. Which of the following describes a "Contact lens prescription issue date"?
- The date of the initial written prescription.
 - The date upon which the patient receives the finalized contact lens prescription at the completion of the fitting and follow-up evaluation.
 - The date the patient starts wearing the trial contact lenses.
 - The date the patient brings in their empty contact lens boxes for duplication.

22. Licensed opticians may adapt and fit contact lenses from a written prescription consisting of the refractive powers and a notation of "OK for Contacts" or similar language within _____ of the initial eye examination date.
- six days
 - six weeks
 - six months
 - sixteen months
23. If the patient is fitted for contact lens by a practitioner other than the initial prescriber, the contact lens specification shall be provided to the patient and to _____
- The initial prescriber.
 - A prescriber performing the follow-up evaluation.
 - The patient's medical doctor.
 - A third party designated by the patient.
24. When the prescriber completes the follow-up evaluation, the approved contact lens specifications shall become a _____
- Valid contact lens prescription.
 - Permanent part of the prescriber's records.
 - Matter of public record.
 - Contact lens order form.
25. Which of the following is considered unprofessional conduct?
- Providing false information when applying for a license
 - Misrepresentation or fraud in any aspect of the conduct of the business or profession
 - False or misleading advertising.
 - All of the above.
26. A practitioner's contact lens records must include all the specifications for the contact lenses. What must the opticians' records also include?
- DK value of the lens.
 - ABBE value of the lens.
 - Documentation of written advisement to the patient of the need to obtain a follow-up evaluation by a prescriber
 - A signed HIPAA form.
27. All of the following are included on an initial prescription for contact lenses except:
- Spectacle prescription.
 - Date of eye exam.
 - Contact lens specifications.
 - Signature of the prescriber.
28. In Washington State a contact lens prescription expires in:
- One year
 - Two years
 - Three years
 - Four years
29. At the conclusion of an eye examination for an eyeglass prescription, the prescribing doctor must:
- Personally walk the patient over to an affiliated eyeglass dispensary and hand the prescription to the optician.
 - Provide the patient one copy of the new eyeglass prescription.
 - Tell the patient the eyeglass prescription shall be mailed to him or her when the patient's insurance has paid the bill.
 - Provide the patient the new eyeglass prescription only if the patient insists.
30. A dispensing optician may supervise a maximum of _____ apprentices at any one time.
- 1
 - 2
 - 3
 - 5
31. When does a dispensing optician renew their license?
- Annually on the birth anniversary
 - Every 2 years
 - Every 3 years
 - Every 5 years
32. Washington State licensed dispensing opticians are required to maintain patient contact lens records for a minimum of:
- Seven years
 - Ten years
 - Five years
 - Eight years
33. A notation of "OK for contacts" on the prescription for corrective lenses indicates to the practitioner fitting the contact lenses that:
- The patient has been provided with trial lenses
 - The patient has expressed an interest in wearing contact lenses
 - The initial fitting and follow-up must be completed within six months of the date of the eye examination
 - The patient's vision plan covers contact lenses