

(5) Current growths or tumors of the eyelid, other than small, non-progressive, asymptomatic, benign lesions, do not meet the standard.

*b. Conjunctiva.*

(1) Current chronic conjunctivitis (372.1), including, but not limited to trachoma (076) and chronic allergic conjunctivitis (372.14), does not meet the standard.

(2) Current or recurrent pterygium, (372.4), if condition encroaches on the cornea in excess of 3 mm, or interferes with vision, or is a progressive peripheral pterygium (372.42), or recurring pterygium after two operative procedures (372.45), does not meet the standard.

(3) Current xerophthalmia (372.53) does not meet the standard.

*c. Cornea.*

(1) Current or history of corneal dystrophy of any type (371.5), including but not limited to keratoconus (371.6) of any degree does not meet the standard.

(2) History of refractive surgery including, but not limited to: Lamellar (P11.7) and/or penetrating keratoplasty (P11.6). Radial Keratotomy and Astigmatic Keratotomy does not meet the standard. Refractive surgery performed with an Excimer Laser, including but not limited to, Photorefractive Keratectomy (commonly known as PRK), Laser Epithelial Keratomileusis (commonly known as LASEK), and Laser-Assisted in situ Keratomileusis (commonly known as LASIK) (P11.7) does not meet the standard if any of the following conditions are met:

(a) Pre-surgical refractive error in either eye exceeds + 8.00 to - 8.00 diopters.

(b) At least 6 months recovery period has not occurred between last refractive surgery or augmenting procedure and accession medical examination.

(c) There have been complications, and/or medications or ophthalmic solutions are required.

(d) Post-surgical refraction in each eye is not stable as demonstrated by—

1. At least two separate refractions at least one month apart, the most recent of which demonstrates more than +/- 0.50 diopters difference for spherical vision and/or more than +/- 0.25 diopters for cylinder vision; and

2. At least 3 months recovery has not occurred between the last refractive surgery or augmenting procedure and one of the comparison refractions.

(e) Pre-surgical and post-surgical refractive error does not meet the standards for the military Service to which the candidate is applying.

(3) Current keratitis (370), acute or chronic, including, but not limited to recurrent corneal ulcers (370.0), erosions (abrasions), or herpetic ulcers (054.42) does not meet the standard.

(4) Current corneal vascularization (370.6) or corneal opacification (371) from any cause that is progressive or reduces vision below the standards prescribed in paragraph 2–13 does not meet the standard.

*d. Uveitis or iridocyclitis.* Current or history of uveitis or iridocyclitis (364.3) does not meet the standard.

*e. Retina.*

(1) Current or history of retinal defects and dystrophies, angiomas (759.6), retinoschisis and retinal cysts (361.1), phakomas (362.89), and other congenito-retinal hereditary conditions (362.7) that impair visual function or are progressive, do not meet the standard.

(2) Current or history of any chorioretinal or retinal inflammatory conditions, including, but not limited to conditions leading to neovascularization, chorioretinitis, histoplasmosis, toxoplasmosis, or vascular conditions of the eye to include Coats' disease, or Eales' disease (363) does not meet the standard.

(3) Current or history of degenerative changes of any part of the retina (362) does not meet the standard.

(4) Current or history of detachment of the retina (361), history of surgery for same, or peripheral retinal injury, defect (361.3), or degeneration that may cause retinal detachment does not meet the standard.

*f. Optic nerve.*

(1) Current or history of optic neuritis (377.3), including, but not limited to neuroretinitis, secondary optic atrophy, or documented history of retrobulbar neuritis does not meet the standard.

(2) Current or history of optic atrophy (377.1), or cortical blindness (377.75) does not meet the standard.

(3) Current or history of papilledema (377.0) does not meet the standard.

*g. Lens.*

(1) Current aphakia (379.31), history of lens implant, or current or history of dislocation of a lens does not meet the standard.

(2) Current or history of opacities of the lens (366) that interfere with vision or that are considered to be progressive, including cataract (366.9), do not meet the standard.

*h. Ocular mobility and motility.*

(1) Current diplopia (386.2) does not meet the standard.

(2) Current nystagmus (379.50) other than physiologic "end-point nystagmus" does not meet the standard.