



Eye Safe Program

Associated Documents:

Safety Eyewear Procedure
Health and Safety Policy

PURPOSE

Red Deer Polytechnic (RDP) Eyesafe is an employee prescription safety eyewear program administered by the Alberta Association of Optometrists for eligible employees that compliments the Red Deer Polytechnic Safety Eyewear Procedure.

PROCEDURE

Approval

1. Employees are to confirm eligibility with their Operations Manager.
2. Employees request from the Health, Safety & Wellness Centre a Job Order, and will provide the following information:
 - a. Employee Name
 - b. RDP ID #
 - c. Department
 - d. Operation Manager's first and last name
 - e. Budget Code/FOAP details
3. The Health, Safety & Wellness Centre will confirm if the employee has received prescription safety glasses coverage within the past two years.
4. Once the Job Order is compiled, it will be emailed to the employee. The Job Order will list the parameters of the requirements for the optometrist.

Visiting the Optometrist

1. Employee will book an appointment with an approved optometrist from the online listing www.eyesafe.ca. Any optometrist utilized that is not listed on with the Eye Safe Program may not participate in the prescription safety glasses program agreement in place. Take the Job Order to your appointment (and prescription if previously obtained and still valid).
2. Obtain a clinical or eye exam (confirm your plan coverage, most benefit eligible employees between 19 and 64 years of age are covered for an exam by Alberta Blue Cross every 2 years).
3. Present the Job Order and advise of your working environment.

4. Ensure that the selection of safety frames meet CSA or ANSI standards and are equipped with side shields. Lenses must be CSA approved.
5. In selecting safety eyewear, consider:
 - a. Electrical department: non-conductive safety eyewear;
 - b. Safety eyewear carries: Uvex, OnGuard, Amourex, Edge and WX;
 - c. Rx inserts are available for masks (must present mask to optometrist);
 - d. Prescription lenses for respirators can also be made available.
6. Employees will be responsible for any costs exceeding the \$200 allotment, and receipts may be submittable under your Alberta Blue Cross Health Spending Account, if benefit eligible.
7. Return for final fitting when glasses are ready for pickup.
8. Read the manufacturer's warranty, as it may vary between safety eyewear selections.
9. 120 day 'Redo' Policy- if the prescription changes within 120 days of obtaining, upgrade is at no-charge.