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DESCRIPTION

The Bausch + Lomb ULTRA® (samfilcon A) Visibility Tinted Soft (hydrophilic) Contact Lens material, samfilcon A, is a hydrophilic copolymer of a siloxane methacrylate and N-vinyl pyrrolidone, and is 46% water by weight when immersed in a sterile borate buffered saline with poloxamine solution. This lens is tinted with up to 200 ppm of Reactive Dye 246. The Bausch + Lomb ULTRA (samfilcon A) Visibility Tinted Soft (hydrophilic) Contact Lenses utilizes MoistureSeal® Technology which creates a unique material and a hydrophilic surface.

The physical / optical properties of the lens are:

Specific Gravity:	1.048
Refractive Index:	1.411
Light Transmittance:	C.I.E. value—at least 95%
Water Content:	46%
Oxygen Permeability:	114 x 10 ⁻¹¹ [cm ² O ₂ (STP) x cm]/(sec x cm ² x mmHg) @ 35° C Polarographic Method (Boundary and Edge Corrected)

The Bausch + Lomb ULTRA (samfilcon A) Visibility Tinted Soft (hydrophilic) Contact Lenses may be prescribed for Frequent/Planned Replacement or Disposable Wear.

The Bausch + Lomb ULTRA (samfilcon A) Visibility Tinted Soft (hydrophilic) Contact Lens For Presbyopia features 3-Zone Progressive™ Design.

The Bausch + Lomb ULTRA (samfilcon A) Visibility Tinted Soft (hydrophilic) Contact Lens For Astigmatism features the OpticAlign™ Design for stability.

SYMBOL REFERENCE GUIDE

For label and cartons:

	Quality System Certification Symbol		Authorized Representative in the European Community
	Meets EU Packaging Directive		Prescription Only (USA)
	Sterilized Using Steam or Dry Heat		Base Curve
	Caution		Add Power
	Temperature Limit		Cylinder Axis
	Diameter		Cylinder Power
	Use-By Date (Expiration Date)		Sphere Power
	Batch Code		Manufacturer
	Power		



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IMPORTANT

This package insert and fitting guide has been developed to provide practitioners with information covering characteristics of the Bausch + Lomb ULTRA (samfilcon A) Visibility Tinted Soft (hydrophilic) Contact Lens and to illustrate fitting procedures. It is effective as of revision date on cover and supersedes all prior fitting guides for the product described. Please read carefully and keep this information for future use.

This package insert and fitting guide is intended for the eye care practitioner, but should be made available to patients upon request. The eye care practitioner should provide the patient with the patient instructions that pertain to the patient's prescribed lens and the recommended wearing schedule.

CONTRAINDICATIONS (REASONS NOT TO USE)

DO NOT USE the Bausch + Lomb ULTRA (samfilcon A) Visibility Tinted Soft (hydrophilic) Contact Lens, Bausch + Lomb ULTRA (samfilcon A) Visibility Tinted Soft (hydrophilic) Contact Lens For Presbyopia, and Bausch + Lomb ULTRA (samfilcon A) Visibility Tinted Soft (hydrophilic) Contact Lens For Astigmatism when any of the following conditions exist:

- Acute and subacute inflammation or infection of the anterior chamber of the eye
- Any eye disease, injury, or abnormality that affects the cornea, conjunctiva, or eyelids
- Severe insufficiency of lacrimal secretion (dry eyes)
- Corneal hypoesthesia (reduced corneal sensitivity)
- Any systemic disease that may affect the eye or be exaggerated by wearing contact lenses
- Allergic reactions of ocular surfaces or adnexa (surrounding tissue) that may be induced or exacerbated by wearing contact lenses or use of contact lens solutions
- Allergy to any ingredient, such as mercury or Thimerosal, in a solution which is to be used to care for the Bausch + Lomb ULTRA (samfilcon A) Visibility Tinted Soft (hydrophilic) Contact Lens
- Any active corneal infection (bacterial, fungal, or viral)
- If eyes become red or irritated

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WARNINGS

After a thorough eye examination, including appropriate medical background, patients should be fully apprised by the prescribing professional of all the risks with contact lens wear. **Patients should be advised of the following warnings pertaining to contact lens wear:**

- Problems with contact lenses and lens care products could result in **serious injury** to the eye. It is essential that patients follow their eye care practitioner's direction and all labeling instructions for proper use of lenses and lens care products, including the lens case. Eye problems, including corneal ulcers, can develop rapidly and lead to **loss of vision**.
- Daily wear lenses are not indicated for overnight wear, and **patients should be instructed not to wear lenses while sleeping**. Clinical studies have shown that the risk of adverse reactions is increased when daily wear lenses are worn overnight.
- When prescribed for Frequent/Planned Replacement Wear, the need for strict compliance with the care regimen including cleaning of the lens case, wearing instructions, wearing schedule, and follow-up visit schedule should be emphasized to the patient.
- Studies have shown that contact lens wearers who are smokers have a higher incidence of adverse reactions than nonsmokers.
- If a patient experiences eye discomfort, excessive tearing, vision changes, or redness of the eye, the patient should be instructed to **immediately remove the lenses** and promptly contact his or her eye care practitioner.

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Topics to Discuss with the Patient

- As with any contact lens, follow-up visits are necessary to assure the continuing health of the eyes. The patient should be instructed as to a recommended follow-up schedule.
- Patients should be advised about wearing lenses during sporting and water related activities. Exposure to water while wearing contact lenses in activities such as swimming, water skiing and hot tubs may increase the risk of ocular infection including but not limited to *Acanthamoeba keratitis*.
- Always contact the eye care practitioner before using any medicine in the eyes.
- **Who Should Know That the Patient is Wearing Contact Lenses**
 - Patients should inform their doctor (health care professional) about being a contact lens wearer.
 - Patients should always inform their employer of being a contact lens wearer. Some jobs may require the use of eye protection equipment or may require that you do not wear lenses.

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PRECAUTIONS

Special Precautions for Eye Care Practitioners

- Due to the small number of patients enrolled in clinical investigation of lenses, all refractive powers, design configurations, or lens parameters available in the lens material are not evaluated in significant numbers.

- Consequently, when selecting an appropriate lens design and parameters, the eye care practitioner should consider all characteristics of the lens that can affect lens performance and ocular health, including oxygen permeability, wettability, central and peripheral thickness, and optic zone diameter.
- The potential impact of these factors on the patient's ocular health should be carefully weighed against the patient's need for refractive correction; therefore, the prescribing eye care practitioner should carefully monitor the continuing ocular health of the patient and lens performance on eye.
- Eye care practitioners should instruct the patient to REMOVE A LENS IMMEDIATELY if an eye becomes red or irritated.
- Fluorescein, a yellow dye, should not be used while the lenses are on the eyes. The lenses absorb this dye and become discolored. Whenever fluorescein is used in eyes, the eyes should be flushed with sterile saline solution that is recommended for in-eye use.
- The patient should be instructed to always discard disposable lenses and lenses worn on a frequent/planned replacement schedule after the recommended wearing schedule prescribed by the eye care practitioner.
- As with any contact lens, follow-up visits are necessary to assure the continuing health of the patient's eyes. The patient should be instructed as to a recommended follow-up schedule.
- Aphakic patients should not be fitted with Bausch + Lomb ULTRA (samfilcon A) Visibility Tinted Soft (hydrophilic) Contact Lenses until the determination is made that the eye has healed completely.
- Patients who wear aspheric contact lenses, such as the Bausch + Lomb ULTRA (samfilcon A) Visibility Tinted Soft (hydrophilic) Contact Lens for Presbyopia, to correct presbyopia may not achieve the best corrected visual acuity for either far or near vision. Visual requirements vary with the individual and should be considered when selecting the most appropriate type of lens for each patient. Eye care practitioners should carefully instruct patients about the following lens care and safety precautions. It is strongly recommended that patients be provided with a copy of the Bausch + Lomb ULTRA (samfilcon A) Visibility Tinted Soft (hydrophilic) Contact Lens Patient Information Booklet available from Bausch + Lomb and understand its contents prior to dispensing the lenses.

ADVERSE REACTIONS

The patient should be informed that the following problems may occur:

- Eyes stinging, burning, itching (irritation), or other eye pain
- Comfort is less than when lens was first placed on eye
- Abnormal feeling of something in the eye (foreign body, scratched area)
- Excessive watering (tearing) of the eyes
- Unusual eye secretions
- Redness of the eyes
- Reduced sharpness of vision (poor visual acuity)
- Blurred vision, rainbows, or halos around objects
- Sensitivity to light (photophobia)
- Dry eyes

If the patient notices any of the above, he or she should be instructed to immediately remove the lenses.

- If the discomfort or problem stops, the patient should look closely at the lens. If the lens is in any way damaged, **do not** put the lens back on the eye. Place the lens in the storage case and contact the eye care practitioner. If the lens has dirt, an eyelash, or other foreign body on it, or the problem stops and the lens appears undamaged, the patient should thoroughly clean, rinse, and disinfect the lenses; then reinsert them. After reinsertion, if the problem continues, the patient should **immediately remove the lenses and consult his or her eye care practitioner**.

If the above symptoms continue after removal of the lens, or upon reinsertion of a lens, or upon insertion of a new lens, the patient should **immediately remove the lenses and contact his or her eye care practitioner** or physician, who must determine the need for examination, treatment or referral without delay. (See Important Treatment Information for Adverse Reactions.) A serious condition such as infection, corneal ulcer, corneal vascularization, or iritis may be present, and may progress rapidly. Less serious reactions such as abrasions, epithelial staining or bacterial conjunctivitis must be managed and treated carefully to avoid more serious complications.

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Handling Precautions

- Always wash and rinse hands before handling lenses. Do not get cosmetics, lotions, soaps, creams, deodorants, or sprays in the eyes or on the lenses. It is best to put on lenses before putting on makeup. Water-based cosmetics are less likely to damage lenses than oil-based products.
- Be sure that before leaving the eye care practitioner's office, the patient is able to remove lenses promptly or have someone else available to remove them.
- Be certain that the fingers or hands are free of foreign materials before touching lenses, as microscopic scratches of the lenses may occur, causing distorted vision and/or injury to the eye.
- Always handle lenses carefully and avoid dropping them.
- Do not touch the lens with fingernails.
- Carefully follow the handling, insertion, removal, cleaning, disinfecting, storing and wearing instructions in the Patient Information Booklet for the Bausch + Lomb ULTRA (samfilcon A) Visibility Tinted Soft (hydrophilic) Contact Lens and those prescribed by the eye care practitioner.
- Never use tweezers or other tools to remove lenses from the lens container unless specifically indicated for that use. Pour the lens into the hand.

Solution Precautions

Eye injury due to irritation or infection may result from lens contamination. To reduce the risk of contamination, review the appropriate manufacturer's labeled lens care instructions with the patient.

- Always use **fresh, unexpired** lens care solutions.
- Always follow directions in the package inserts for the use of contact lens solutions.
- Sterile unexpired solutions, when used, should be discarded after the time specified in the labeling directions.
- You should fill your lens case with fresh solution every time you store your lenses, and never "top-off" or re-use solution. You should discard your solution immediately after your lenses have been removed from the lens case.
- Always keep the lenses completely immersed in the recommended storage solution when lenses are not being worn (stored). Prolonged periods of drying will damage lenses. Follow the lens care directions for Care for a Dried Out (Dehydrated) Lens in the Patient Information Booklet if lens surface does become dried out.

Important Treatment Information for Adverse Reactions

Sight-threatening ocular complications associated with contact lens wear can develop rapidly, and therefore early recognition and treatment of problems are critical. Infectious corneal ulceration is one of the most serious potential complications, and may be ambiguous in its early stage. Signs and symptoms of infectious corneal ulceration include discomfort, pain, inflammation, purulent discharge, sensitivity to light, cells and flare, and corneal infiltrates.

Initial symptoms of a minor abrasion and an early infected ulcer are sometimes similar. Accordingly, such epithelial defect, if not treated properly, may develop into an infected ulcer. In order to prevent serious progression of these conditions, a patient presenting symptoms of abrasions or early ulcers should be evaluated as a potential medical emergency, treated accordingly, and be referred to a corneal specialist when appropriate. Standard therapy for corneal abrasions such as eye patching or the use of steroids or steroid/antibiotic combination may exacerbate the condition. If the patient is wearing a contact lens on the affected eye when examined, the lens should be removed immediately and the lens and lens care products retained for analysis and culturing.

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- Do not use saliva or anything other than the recommended solution for lubricating or wetting lenses.
- Tap water, distilled water or homemade saline should not be used as a substitute for any component in the lens care regimen since they have been associated with an *Acanthamoeba keratitis* infection.
- Never use conventional hard contact lens solutions that are not also recommended for use with prescribed lenses.
- Do not mix or alternate lens care systems or solutions unless indicated in the lens care system labeling.
- Do not heat the chemical disinfection solution or lenses.

Lens Wearing Precautions

- Never wear lenses beyond the period recommended by the eye care practitioner.
- If the lens sticks (stops moving) on the eye, follow the recommended directions on Care for a Sticking Lens. The lens should move freely on the eye for the continued health of the eye. If nonmovement of the lens continues, the patient should be instructed to **immediately** consult his or her eye care practitioner.
- Avoid, if possible, all harmful or irritating vapors and fumes while wearing lenses.
- If aerosol products are used while wearing lenses, exercise caution and keep eyes closed until the spray has settled.

Lens Case Precautions

- Contact lens cases can be a source of bacterial growth. To prevent contamination and to help avoid serious eye injury, always empty and rinse the lens case with fresh, sterile rinsing solution and allow to air dry.
- Lens cases should be replaced at regular intervals as recommended by the lens case manufacturer or eye care practitioner.

SELECTION OF PATIENTS

The eye care practitioner should not fit patients who cannot or will not adhere to a recommended care or replacement regimen, or are unable to place and remove the lenses should not be provided with them. Failure to follow handling and cleaning instructions could lead to serious eye infections which might result in corneal ulcers.

Patient communication is vital because it relates not only to patient selection but also to ensure compliance. It is also necessary to discuss the information contained in the Patient Information Booklet with the patient at the time of the initial examination.

Patients selected to wear Bausch + Lomb ULTRA (samfilcon A) Visibility Tinted Soft (hydrophilic) Contact Lenses should be chosen for their motivation to wear contact lenses, general health and cooperation. The eye care practitioner must take care in selecting, examining and instructing contact lens patients. Patient hygiene and willingness to follow practitioner instructions are essential to their success.

A detailed history is crucial to determining patient needs and expectations. Your patient should be questioned regarding vocation, desired lens wearing time (full or part time), and desired lens usage (reading, recreation or hobbies).

Initial evaluation of the trial lens should be preceded by a complete eye examination, including visual acuity with and without correction at both distance and near, keratometry and slit lamp examination.

It is normal for the patient to experience mild symptoms such as lens awareness, variable vision, occasional tearing (watery eyes) and slight redness during the adaptation period. Although the adaptation period varies for each individual, generally within one week these symptoms will disappear.

If these symptoms persist, the patient should be instructed to contact his or her eye care practitioner.

PRACTITIONER FITTING SETS

Lenses must be discarded after a single use and must not be used from patient to patient.

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GENERAL FITTING PROCEDURE

1. Pre-Fitting Examination

A pre-fitting patient history and examination are necessary to:

- Determine whether a patient is a suitable candidate for contact lenses (consider patient hygiene and mental and physical state),
- Make ocular measurements for initial contact lens parameter selection, and
- Collect and record baseline clinical information to which post-fitting examination results can be compared.

A pre-fitting examination should include spherocylinder refraction and VA, keratometry, and biomicroscopic examination.

2. Initial Lens Power Selection

- a. A spectacle refraction should be performed to establish the patient's baseline refractive status and to guide in the selection of the appropriate lens power. Remember to compensate for vertex distance if the refraction is greater than 4.00D.

3. Initial Lens Evaluation

- a. To determine proper lens parameters, observe the lens relationship to the eye using a slit lamp.
- b. Allow the lens to remain on the eye long enough to achieve a state of equilibrium. Small variations in the tonicity, pH of the lens solutions, and individual tear composition may cause slight changes in fitting characteristics. The time required will vary with the individual.
 - Movement: The lens should provide discernible movement with:
 - Primary gaze blink
 - Upgaze blink
 - Upgaze lag
 - Centration: The lens should provide full corneal coverage
- c. Lens evaluation allows the contact lens fitter to evaluate the lens/cornea relationship in the same manner as would be done with any soft lens. If after the lens has settled on the eye, the patient reports lens sensation, or if the lens is moving or decentering excessively, the lens should not be dispensed. Alternatively, if the patient reports variable vision, or if the lens shows insufficient movement, the lens should not be dispensed.

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MULTI-FOCAL FITTING GUIDELINES

1. Lens Selection

- a. Update spectacle refraction and Add power.
- b. Determine ocular dominance for distance vision.
- c. Select lens distance prescription based upon spherical equivalent from spectacle prescription, adjusted for vertex distance if necessary.
- d. Choose trial lenses based upon the above calculation and select Add power.
 - Bausch + Lomb ULTRA for Presbyopia Low Add: +0.75D to +1.50D
 - Bausch + Lomb ULTRA for Presbyopia High Add: +1.75D to +2.50D

2. Lens Fitting

- a. Allow lens to equilibrate for at least 10 minutes before assessing fit and vision.
- b. Evaluate distance and near vision binocularly in normal room illumination.
- c. If vision at distance and near are satisfactory, dispense lenses and schedule follow-up exam within 1-2 weeks.

3. To Refine Near Vision

If patient is wearing two Low Add lenses:

- Refinement 1:
Place Bausch + Lomb ULTRA for Presbyopia High Add in non-dominant eye while keeping Bausch + Lomb ULTRA for Presbyopia Low Add in dominant-eye.
- Refinement 2:
If vision is still unsatisfactory, continue adding +0.25D at a time to the non-dominant eye using handheld lenses. Adjust contact lens power when vision is satisfactory.

If patient is wearing two High Add lenses:

- Refinement 1:
Add +0.25D to the non-dominant eye.

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3. Special Fitting Considerations

Unilateral Lens Correction

There are circumstances where only one contact lens is required. As an example, an emmetropic patient would only require a near lens while a bilateral myope may require only a distance lens.

Example:

A presbyopic emmetropic patient who requires a +1.75 diopter add would have a +1.75 diopter lens on the near eye and the other eye left without a lens.

A presbyopic patient requiring a +1.50 diopter add who is –2.50 diopters myopic in the right eye and –1.50 diopters myopic in the left eye may have the right eye corrected for distance and the left uncorrected for near.

4. Near Add Determination

Always prescribe the lens power for the near eye that provides optimal near acuity at the midpoint of the patient's habitual reading distance. However, when more than one power provides optimal reading performance, prescribe the least plus (most minus) of the powers.

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WEARING SCHEDULE

The wearing and replacement schedules should be determined by the eye care practitioner. Regular checkups, as determined by the eye care practitioner, are extremely important.

Daily Wear

There may be a tendency for the daily wear patient to over wear the lenses initially. Therefore, the importance of adhering to a proper, initial daily wearing schedule should be stressed to these patients. The wearing schedule should be determined by the eye care practitioner. The wearing schedule chosen by the eye care practitioner should be provided to the patient.

Disposable Lens Wear

No lens care is needed. The lenses are discarded every time they are removed from the eye. Lenses should only be cleaned, rinsed and disinfected on an emergency basis when replacement lenses are not available.

Frequent/Planned Replacement Wear

When removed between replacement periods, lenses must be cleaned and disinfected before reinsertion, or be discarded and replaced with a new lens.

4. Criteria of a Well-Fitted Lens

If the lens fully covers the cornea, provides discernible movement after a blink, is comfortable for the patient and provides satisfactory visual performance, it is a well fitted lens and can be dispensed.

5. Characteristics of a Tight (Steep) Lens

A lens which is much too steep may subjectively and objectively cause distortion which will vary after a blink. However, if a lens is only marginally steep, the initial subjective and objective vision and comfort findings may be quite good. A marginally steep lens may be differentiated from a properly fitted lens by having the patient gaze upward. A properly fitted lens will tend to slide downward approximately 0.5mm while a steep lens will remain relatively stable in relationship to the cornea, particularly with the blink.

Toric Lens: With your finger, gently rotate the lens approximately 45° to the temporal side. It should reorient with 5 to 10 blinks back to the same stabilized position.

6. Characteristics of a Loose (Flat) Lens

If the lens is too flat, it will:

- Decenter, especially on post-blink.
- Have a tendency to edge lift inferiorly and sit on the lower lid, rather than positioning between the sclera and palpebral conjunctiva.
- Have a tendency to be uncomfortable and irritating with fluctuating vision.
- Have a tendency to drop or lag greater than 2.0mm on upgaze post-blink.

7. Follow-Up Care

- a. Follow-up examinations are necessary to ensure continued successful contact lens wear. From the day of dispensing, the following schedule is a suggested guideline for follow up.
 - 24 hours
 - 10 days
 - 1 month
 - 3 months
 - Every six months thereafter

At the initial follow-up evaluations the eye care practitioner should again reassure the patient that any of the previously described adaptive symptoms are normal, and that the adaptation period should be relatively brief.

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- Refinement 2:
If vision is still unsatisfactory, continue adding +0.25D at a time to the non-dominant eye using handheld lenses.

4. To Refine Distance Vision

If patient is wearing two Low Add lenses:

- Refinement 1:
Fit Bausch + Lomb ULTRA SVS in dominant eye while keeping Bausch + Lomb ULTRA for Presbyopia Low Add in non-dominant eye.
- Refinement 2:
If vision is still unsatisfactory, add -0.25D at a time to dominant eye using hand held lenses. Adjust contact lens power when vision is satisfactory.

If patient is wearing two High Add lenses:

- Refinement 1:
Fit with Bausch + Lomb ULTRA for Presbyopia Low Add in dominant eye while keeping Bausch + Lomb ULTRA for Presbyopia High Add in non-dominant eye.
- Refinement 2:
If vision is still unsatisfactory, add -0.25D at a time to dominant eye using hand held lenses. Adjust contact lens power when vision is satisfactory.

5. Patient Education

All patients do not function equally well with multifocal correction. Patients may not perform as well for certain tasks with this correction as they have with multifocal reading glasses. Each patient should understand that multifocal correction can create a vision compromise that may reduce visual acuity and depth perception for distance and near tasks. During the fitting process it is necessary for the patient to realize the disadvantages as well as the advantages of clear near vision in straight ahead and upward gaze that multifocal contact lenses provide.

5. Trial Lens Fitting

A trial fitting is performed in the office to allow the patient to experience monovision correction. Lenses are fit according to the directions in the general fitting guidelines.

Case history and standard clinical evaluation procedure should be used to determine the prognosis. Determine which eye is to be corrected for distance and which eye is to be corrected for near. Next determine the near add. With trial lenses of the proper power in place observe the reaction to this mode of correction.

Immediately after the correct power lenses are in place, walk across the room and have the patient look at you. Assess the patient's reaction to distance vision under these circumstances. Then have the patient look at familiar near objects such as a watch face or fingernails. Again assess the reaction. As the patient continues to look around the room at both near and distant objects, observe the reactions. Only after these vision tasks are completed should the patient be asked to read print. Evaluate the patient's reaction to large print (e.g. typewritten copy) at first and then graduate to newsprint and finally smaller type sizes.

After the patient's performance under the above conditions is completed, tests of visual acuity and reading ability under conditions of moderately dim illumination should be attempted.

An initial unfavorable response in the office, while indicative of a guarded prognosis, should not immediately rule out a more extensive trial under the usual conditions in which a patient functions.

HANDLING OF LENS

Patient Lens Care Directions

When lenses are dispensed, the patient should be provided with appropriate and adequate instructions and warnings for lens care handling. The eye care practitioner should recommend appropriate and adequate procedures and products for each individual patient in accordance with the particular lens wearing schedule and care system selected by the professional, the specific instructions for such products and the particular characteristics of the patient.

Frequent / Planned Replacement Wear

For complete information concerning the care, cleaning and disinfection of contact lenses refer to the Bausch + Lomb ULTRA (samfilcon A) Visibility Tinted Soft (hydrophilic) Contact Lens Frequent/Planned Replacement Wear Patient Instruction Booklet.

Disposable Wear

For complete information concerning emergency lens care, refer to the Bausch + Lomb ULTRA (samfilcon A) Visibility Tinted Soft (hydrophilic) Contact Lens Patient Information Booklet.

- b. Prior to a follow-up examination, the contact lenses should be worn for at least 4 continuous hours and the patient should be asked to identify any problems which might be occurring related to contact lens wear.
- c. With lenses in place on the eyes, evaluate fitting performance to assure that CRITERIA OF A WELL FITTED LENS continue to be satisfied. Examine the lenses closely for surface deposition and/or damage.
- d. After the lens removal, instill sodium fluorescein [unless contraindicated] into the eyes and conduct a thorough biomicroscopy examination.
 1. The presence of vertical corneal striae in the posterior central cornea and/or corneal neovascularization may be indicative of excessive corneal edema.
 2. The presence of corneal staining and/or limbal-conjunctival hyperemia can be indicative of an unclean lens, a reaction to solution preservatives, excessive lens wear, and/or a poorly fitting lens.
 3. Papillary conjunctival changes may be indicative of an unclean and/or damaged lens.

If any of the above observations are judged abnormal, various professional judgments are necessary to alleviate the problem and restore the eye to optimal conditions. If the CRITERIA OF A WELL FITTED LENS are not satisfied during any follow-up examination, the patient should be re-fitted with a more appropriate lens.

TORIC FITTING GUIDELINES

- a. Determine contact lens power. The toric trial lens is used to optimize lens fitting characteristics and determine axis orientation. Lens power is determined by the spectacle refraction. It is preferable to use the spectacle Rx as the basis for the contact lens power. The sphere and cylinder power of the spectacle Rx becomes the closest sphere and cylinder power of the contact lens.

There are two exceptions:

1. If spectacle cylinder power falls between available contact lens cylinder powers, prescribe the lesser contact lens cylinder power. The sphere power can be increased -0.25D to compensate if desired. Of course, this can vary depending on your interpretation of the patient's subjective responses.

Example: Spectacle Rx: -2.00-1.00 X 180
Contact Lens Power Ordered: -2.25-.075 X 180

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MONOVISION FITTING GUIDELINES

1. Patient Selection

- a. Monovision Needs Assessment
For a good prognosis the patient should have adequately corrected distance and near visual acuity in each eye. The amblyopic patient or the patient with significant astigmatism (greater than one [1] diopter) in one eye may not be a good candidate for monovision with the Bausch + Lomb ULTRA (samfilcon A) Visibility Tinted Soft (hydrophilic) Contact Lenses.

Occupational and environmental visual demands should be considered. If the patient requires critical vision (visual acuity and stereopsis) it should be determined by trial whether this patient can function adequately with monovision.

Monovision contact lens wear may not be optimal for such activities as:

1. Visually demanding situations such as operating potentially dangerous machinery or performing other potentially hazardous activities; and
2. Driving automobiles (e.g., driving at night). Patients who cannot pass their state driver's license requirements with monovision correction should be advised to not drive with this correction, OR may require that additional over-correction be prescribed.

- b. Patient Education

All patients do not function equally well with monovision correction. Patients may not perform as well for certain tasks with this correction as they have with bifocal reading glasses. Each patient should understand that monovision can create a vision compromise that may reduce visual acuity and depth perception for distance and near tasks. During the fitting process it is necessary for the patient to realize the disadvantages as well as the advantages of clear near vision in straight ahead and upward gaze that monovision contact lenses provide.

2. When the spectacle lens power in any principle meridian is greater than 4.00D, the spectacle refraction should be vertexed to the corneal plane. This can affect both the sphere and cylinder powers ordered.
Example: Spectacle Rx: -5.00-2.75 X 180
Contact Lens Power Ordered: -4.75-2.25 X 180
- b. Determine contact lens axis, the center guide mark should locate at the inferior limbus. Once oriented, rotational rocking should be limited to less than 5°.
- c. Allow the lens to settle for at least 3 minutes to achieve a state of equilibrium. Note the orientation of the guide mark relative to the vertical meridian. Regardless of which eye the lens is on, if the rotation is clockwise but stable, note the amount of rotation, add it to the refractive cylinder axis and order the resulting axis. If the rotation has stabilized counterclockwise, again note the rotation, subtract it from the refractive axis and order the resulting axis. The guide mark can be used to help you calculate the axis of the desired Rx lens.
Example: Spectacle Rx: -2.50-1.25 X 80
Rotation: 20° clockwise
Final Lens Prescription: -2.50-1.25 X 100
- d. Select patient's lenses.
- e. Evaluate orientation of final Rx lenses. The orientation of the prescription should be the same as that observed for the trial lenses. For example, if the trial lens rotated clockwise 15° then the final prescription lens should also rotate clockwise 15°.

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2. Eye Selection

Generally, the non-dominant eye is corrected for near vision. The following test for eye dominance can be used.

- a. Ocular Preference Determination Methods

- Method 1—Determine which eye is the "sighting dominant eye." Have the patient point to an object at the far end of the room. Cover one eye. If the patient is still pointing directly at the object, the eye being used is the dominant (sighting) eye.

- Method 2—Determine which eye will accept the added power with the least reduction in vision. Place a trial spectacle near add lens in front of one eye and then the other while the distance refractive error correction is in place for both eyes. Determine whether the patient functions best with the near add lens over the right or left eye.

- b. Refractive Error Method

For anisometropic corrections, it is generally best to fit the more hyperopic (less myopic) eye for distance and the more myopic (less hyperopic) eye for near.

- c. Visual Demands Method

Consider the patient's occupation during the eye selection process to determine the critical vision requirements. If a patient's gaze for near tasks is usually in one direction correct the eye on that side for near.

Example:
A secretary who places copy to the left side of the desk will usually function best with the near lens on the left eye.

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7. Other Suggestions

The success of the monovision technique may be further improved by having your patient follow the suggestions below.

- Having a third contact lens (distance power) to use when critical distance viewing is needed.
- Having a third contact lens (near power) to use when critical near viewing is needed.
- Having supplemental spectacles to wear over the monovision contact lenses for specific visual tasks may improve the success of monovision correction. This is particularly applicable for those patients who cannot meet state licensing requirements with a monovision correction.
- Make use of proper illumination when carrying out visual tasks.

Success in fitting monovision can be improved by the following suggestions:

- Reverse the distance and near eyes if a patient is having trouble adapting.
- Refine the lens powers if there is trouble with adaptation. Accurate lens power is critical for presbyopic patients.
- Emphasize the benefits of the clear near vision in straight ahead and upward gaze with monovision.
- **The decision to fit a patient with a monovision correction is most appropriately left to the eye care practitioner in conjunction with the patient after carefully considering the patient's needs.**
- **All patients should be supplied with a copy of the Bausch + Lomb ULTRA (samfilcon A) Visibility Tinted Soft (hydrophilic) Contact Lens Patient Information Booklet.**

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