

TENNESSEE BOARD OF OPTOMETRY
Policy Statement on Contents of a Spectacle Lens Prescription

Rule 1045-02-.09(3) sets forth the information that must be included in a spectacle lens prescription; however, the Board acknowledges that some of these prescription elements may not be relevant to the spectacle prescriptions for certain patients.

The rule states that “a fully written spectacle lens prescription must contain all information required to accurately manufacture and dispense the spectacle lens”. The intent of the rule is that not every prescription requires all items in Rule 1045-02-.09(3)(g) through (j) to be included; but any items in Rule 1045-02-.09(3)(g) through (j) that **are** included should be dispensed as written.

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