Produce lathe-cut contact lenses



Overview

This standard is about preparing and producing the base curves, front surfaces and edges of lathe-cut contact lenses, to the required standard. Users of this standard will need to ensure that practice reflects up to date information and policies.

Performance

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Produce base curves

criteria You must be able to: P1 confirm the work instructions P2 confirm that the equipment to be used is in safe working order, and has been correctly set up P3 identify, and report to the relevant person, any problems beyond your level of responsibility or competence P4 use specified working methods to achieve the base curve specification P5 identify any incorrectly processed items, and take the appropriate corrective action P6 record relevant information correctly and legibly P7 carry out your work safely and accurately P8 maintain the required standards of cleanliness Produce front surface and edge You must be able to: P9 confirm the work instructions P10 confirm that the equipment to be used is in safe working order, and has been correctly set up P11 identify, and report to the relevant person, any problems beyond your level of responsibility or competence P12 use specified working methods to achieve the required specifications P13 identify any incorrectly processed items, and take the appropriate corrective action P14 record relevant information correctly and legibly P15 carry out your work safely and accurately P16 maintain the required standards of cleanliness

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Knowledge and understanding

Produce base curves

You need to know and understand:

- K1 the manufacturing specifications
- K2 where to find, and how to use, the Standard Operating Procedure for the work instructions
- K3 how to interpret the work instructions
- K4 when equipment is in safe working order
- K5 how to operate equipment safely and correctly
- K6 how to ensure that you are using the correct blank
- K7 how to prepare and cut the back curve
- K8 the tolerances applied to base curves
- K9 how to identify damaged and faulty base curves (including surface defects, edge defects and incorrect parameters), and the corrective action to be taken
- K10 your level of responsibility and competence
- K11 when to refer for advice and clarification, and the procedure for reporting problems
- K12 your responsibilities under the Health and Safety at Work Act, and the implications of non-compliance
- K13 the required standards of cleanliness, and how to maintain them

Produce front surface and edge

You need to know and understand:

- K14 the manufacturing specifications
- K15 where to find, and how to use, the Standard Operating Procedure for the work instructions
- K16 how to interpret the work instructions
- K17 when equipment is in safe working order
- K18 how to operate equipment safely
- K19 how to ensure that you are using the correct semi-finished blank
- K20 how to prepare and cut the front curve and edge
- K21 the tolerances applied to front curves, diameters, powers and thicknesses
- K22 how to identify damaged and faulty contact lenses (including surface defects, edge defects and incorrect parameters), and the corrective action to be taken
- K23 your level of responsibility and competence
- K24 when to refer for advice and clarification, and the procedure for reporting problems
- K25 your responsibilities under the Health and Safety at Work Act, and the implications of non-compliance
- K26 the required standards of cleanliness, and how to maintain them

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Additional Information

External links

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Dimension: HWB9 Equipment and devices to meet health and wellbeing needs

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