## MALAYSIAN OPTICAL COUNCIL SUBJECTIVE REFRACTION TEST SCHEME FOR OPTICIAN REGISTRATION UNDER SECTION 18(2)(a)

## A) Instruction to candidate

technique

Based on either the static distance retinoscopy findings or other appropriate initial refractive results, and PD measurement, you are required to perform a distance subjective refraction on *both* eyes of the subject, including a binocular balance procedure if applicable.

## B) Outcomes/Skills expected of the candidate

**During initial preparation,** the candidate should be able to: 1. explain the purpose of the procedure to the patient Yes □ No □ 2. provide proper illumination for the examination Yes □ No □ In performing a monocular subjective refraction on each eye, the candidate should be able to: 3. provide adequate instructions to the patient Yes □ No □ 4. provide an appropriate fixation target ( $\leq 6/12$ ) to the patient Yes □ No □ 5. determine an appropriate BVS (by unfogging to best VA) Yes □ No □ 6. accurately determine the sphere power, RE Yes □ No □ 7. accurately determine the cylinder power, RE using an appropriate

	Yes □	No 🗆		
8.	accurately o	determine the cylinder axis, RE using an appropriate		
technique				
	Yes □	No 🗆		
9.	accurately o	determine the spherical power, LE		
	Yes □	No 🗆		
10. accurately determine the cylinder power, LE using an appropriate				
tec	chnique			
	Yes □	No 🗆		
11	. accurately	determine the cylinder axis, LE using an appropriate		
technique				
	Yes □	No 🗆		
12. accurately state the findings obtained for the RE (sphere power,				
	cylinder pov	wer, cylinder axis)		
	Yes □	No 🗆		
13. accurately state the findings for the LE (sphere power, cylinder				
	power, cylin	nder axis)		
	Yes □	No □		
14. accurately record the monocular distance BCVA for RE				
	Yes □	No □		
15. accurately record the monocular distance BCVA for LE				
	Yes □	No 🗆		
In <b>performing binocular balance,</b> the candidate should be able to:				
16. provide adequate instructions to the patient				
	Yes □	No □		
17	17. provide the appropriate optical "split" between the two eyes for the			
	balancing procedure			
	Yes □	No □		
18. fog the eyes appropriately, by $\pm 0.50D$ to $\pm 0.75D$ when required and				
as necessary				

	Yes □	No 🗆			
19	19. in the end balance the patient's eyes accurately and properly				
inasfar as the situation permits					
	Yes □	No 🗆			
After completing the binocular balance, the candidate should be able					
to	:				
20. properly determine an appropriate binocular endpoint (binocular					
	difference tolerance of ±0.50D)				
	Yes □	No 🗆			
21. accurately state the findings obtained for the RE (sphere p					
	cylinder pov	wer, cylinder axis)			
	Yes □	No 🗆			
22. accurately state the findings obtained for the LE (sphere power,					
	cylinder power, cylinder axis)				
	Yes □	No 🗆			
23. accurately record the binocular BCVA obtained					
	Yes □	No 🗆			
As an overall impression to the examiner, the candidate should be able					
to	:				
24. perform the distance subjective refraction procedures above in a					
	smooth and efficient manner				
	Yes □	No 🗆			

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