

## PATCH TESTING ADVICE

Your client patch testing must be in accordance with your insurer's guidelines. Where there is no guidance from the insurers our recommended guidelines are as follows:

- New clients should be patch tested in advance of first-time treatments taking place. This must take place at least 24 hours prior to their appointment.
- Clients should have a patch test re-performed every six months thereafter regardless of the number of treatments received since the initial treatment.
- Clients should be patch tested if there is a change in their medical circumstances. This includes a change of prescription medication or the diagnosis of any chronic, life-limiting or life-threatening condition.
- You do **not** need to patch test your clients before every treatment. However, re-test after any lapse of treatments longer than three months.

Please note, the above advice is applicable to Strictly Professional Eye (SPE) products only. We cannot provide instructions on products from other brands or manufacturers. We would reiterate that you should always follow guidance provided by your insurers and seek instructions from other individual brands you may use that is not a SPE product.