

Tropicamide

TROPICAMIDE 0.5% or 1.0% is used to make the pupils larger than normal allowing the optometrist to view the inside of the eye more easily. The drops take about 15 to 30 minutes to work and may take up to 6 hours to wear off although occasionally the effects may linger until the next day.

Having large pupils will make you more sensitive to light, especially if it is sunny, and your vision may be slightly blurred. It is recommended that driving should be avoided whilst your vision is affected.

If in the unlikely event you experience any unusual symptoms such as pain or redness in or around your eyes, or 'misty' vision please contact your optometrist or seek medical advice as you may be experiencing an adverse reaction to the drops. Take this note with you.

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