



SIGNED ORDER

FOR THE SUPPLY OF A PRESCRIPTION ONLY MEDICINE

OPTOMETRIST'S SIGNED ORDER FOR A PRESCRIPTION ONLY MEDICINE MUST:

1. Include the following information:

- Optometrist's full name and address
- Name and address of the patient and date of birth
- Purpose for which the POM is supplied
- Name of POM to be supplied (generic)
- Strength of POM to be supplied
- Drug delivery route (eg. topical and to which eye or both eyes)
- Frequency (eg. three times a day)
- Signed order to be signed and dated by the prescribing Optometrist
- GOC Number

2. Use indelible ink and be either handwritten, typewritten or computer generated.

Any space left on the order should be marked through with a line to prevent anything being added to the order.

An example of a signed order is included overleaf.

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EXAMPLE

Signed Order: Private Prescription for the supply of prescription only medicine (on headed paper including practice address and telephone number)

25/04/2009
Mrs I Patient
Good View Cottage
Somerset BA 19 6QP
Date of Birth: 07/05/2009
Please supply the above patient with: 1.0% Fusidic Acid
To treat:
For instillation: 1 drop, each eye
Frequency of instillation/application: BD for 1 week.
Signed
JJ Bloggs. Optometrist. Qualifications
GOC Number 01