



## Vision standards for careers with specific vocational requirements.

VA Uncorrected refers to person's level of visual acuity without glasses.

VA Required refers to the minimum level of visual acuity that must be attainable either with or without glasses.

There does not appear to be any guidance on diplopia, suppression or amblyopia in some of the categories.

These are guidelines for optometrists who may be seeing patients intending to work in the above career choices. The decision as to suitability is made during the medical examination which is carried

Career	VA uncorrected (where Rx is required)	VA required (with or without Rx)	Colour vision	Additional notes for consideration
Army	6/36 each eye	6/6 best eye 6/9 weakest eye	Normal colour vision	
Navy	6/6 best eye 6/9 weaker eye	No correction accepted	Normal Colour vision	
Garda	6/18	6/9 best eye 6/12 weakest eye	Normal colour vision	
Train Driver	6/12 best uncorrected 6/36 weakest uncorrected	6/12	Normal	Sunglasses only as approved by rail authorities
Air traffic controller	6/60 weakest vision either eye	Dist; 6/6 corrected or uncorrected each eye Near N5	Normal colour vision	Hyperphoria < 1 prism dioptre Esophoria <6 Prism dioptres Exophoria <6 Dioptres No Pathology Full visual fields
Pilot	NA	6/9 each eye minimum 6/6 binocularly Near VA N5 30-50 cms Intermediate VA N14 @100cms	Normal colour vision	Hyperopia <+5.00 Myopia <-6.00 Astigmatism <2.00 Anisometropia <2D No BV defects NPC 6-10cms Full fields No Pathology
Cabin Crew	N/A	6/12 Binocularly	NA	NA

out, usually by an appointed doctor, at the time of application. The optometrist will not be called upon to make that decision.