APPENDIX B: VISION CARE BENEFITS

Full-time Employees

- 1. You will be reimbursed for 100% of eligible eye care expenses to a maximum negotiated by your Union/Association per person every 24 consecutive months following the actual purchase date of the first Vision Care item claimed.
- 2. You will be reimbursed for 100% of eligible expenses for eye examinations to a maximum negotiated by your Union/Association per person every 24 consecutive months (exclusive of Vision maximum).

Part-time Employees

- 3. You will be reimbursed for 100% of eligible eye care expenses to a maximum negotiated by your Union/Association per person every 24 consecutive months following the actual purchase date of the first Vision Care item claimed.
- 4. You will be reimbursed for 100% of eligible expenses for eye examinations to a maximum negotiated by your Union/Association per person every 24 consecutive months (exclusive of Vision maximum).

Summary of Benefits

- **5.** Eligible expenses include the cost of:
 - a) eyeglasses (frames and/or lenses), replacement glasses and contact lenses when prescribed by a physician, ophthalmologist or optometrist
 - i. repairs to existing glasses
 - b) one eye examination in a 24-month period when rendered by a physician, ophthalmologist or optometrist. This benefit is subject to per visit fee guide maximums. (subject to maximum listed above)
 - c) laser eye surgery including costs for foldable lens implants when performed by an ophthalmologist or physician.
- **6.** Reimbursement of contact lenses is subject to the vision maximum unless it is certified by an ophthalmologist or optometrist that contact lenses are required as a result of an eye disorder and that the necessary correction cannot be achieved with ordinary lenses. (In this event, reimbursement will be limited to \$200.00.)

Please Note: Coverage and eligibility may differ from bargaining group to bargaining group. If you are uncertain of your eligibility and/or coverage limits, contact your Blue Cross Departmental Administrator(s) before undertaking treatment.

Exclusions and Limitations

- 7. Manitoba Blue Cross shall not pay for the following:
 - a) Charges for fitting of eyeglasses.
 - b) Orthoptics, vision training, subnormal vision aids and aniseikonic lenses.
 - c) Non-corrective sunglasses, photo sensitive or anti-reflective lenses or clip-ons.
 - d) Lenses which do not require a prescription from a physician, ophthalmologist or optometrist.