

## OPTIC NEURITIS

All Classes  
(Updated 08/27/2025)

DISEASE/CONDITION	EVALUATION DATA	DISPOSITION
<p><b>A. Any history of optic neuritis</b></p> <p>(single or multiple episodes; resolved or currently being treated)</p>	<p>Submit the following for FAA review:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. A <b>current, detailed Clinical Progress Note</b> generated from a clinic visit with the treating <b>ophthalmologist or retinal specialist (preferred)</b> no more than <b>90 days</b> prior to the AME exam. It must include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A detailed summary of the history of the condition;</li> <li>• Current medications, dosage, and side effects (if any);</li> <li>• Physical exam findings;</li> <li>• Results of any testing performed;</li> <li>• Diagnosis;</li> <li>• Assessment and plan;</li> <li>• Prognosis; and Follow-up.</li> </ul> </li> <li>2. It must specifically include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Date treatment completed or if any ongoing treatment or surveillance recommended;</li> <li>• If the condition has resolved;</li> <li>• Underlying cause if identified;</li> <li>• Is the presentation consistent with typical or atypical;</li> <li>• Are there any symptoms, current problems, or remaining abnormalities which could interfere with flight or ATCS duties</li> </ul> </li> <li>3. The Clinical Progress Note must specifically include the best corrected <b>visual acuity</b> for distant and near vision (intermediate - if age 50 or older and First or Second Class). If vision standards are not met, that should be discussed. Include if the visual acuity is expected to change.</li> <li>4. Visual field testing (30-2 or 24-2) performed no more than 90 days prior to the AME exam.</li> <li>5. MRI of the brain and orbits with and without contrast for demyelinating disease.</li> <li>6. A current, detailed neurological evaluation that meets <a href="#">FAA Specifications for</a></li> </ol>	<div style="background-color: red; height: 15px; width: 100%;"></div> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>DEFER</b></p> <p>Submit the information to the FAA for a possible Special Issuance</p> <p>Annotate (elements or findings) in Block 60.</p>

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	<p data-bbox="594 142 1138 243"><u>Neurologic Evaluation</u> generated from a clinic visit with the treating neurologist no more than 90 days before the AME exam.</p> <p data-bbox="558 264 1175 531">7. <b>Color vision testing</b> must be performed for each eye separately using an FAA acceptable computer-based color vision test, within 90 days prior to the AME exam. Pay particular attention to red desaturation. One-time screening is not sufficient; repeated testing is required, as optic neuritis can affect color vision over time.</p> <p data-bbox="558 552 1105 615">8. Copies of any testing performed (visual fields, etc.)</p>	