

AUSTRALIAN DEFENCE FORCE MINIMUM VISUAL REQUIREMENTS

Visual Acuity (3)	MVR1		MVR2		MVR3 (1) (2)	
	Unaided 6/12 6/12	Aided 6/6 6/6	Unaided 6/24 6/24	Aided 6/9 6/9	Unaided 3/60 3/60	Aided 6/12 6/12
Refraction Limits with cycloplegia	N/A				For all refractive errors: Refraction limits are 7.00 dioptres in either axis in either eye and must correct to minimum 6/12 in both eyes with spectacles	
Hypermetropia			2.25 dioptres			
Hypermetropic astigmatism			1.00 dioptre in any axis			
Myopia			1.0 dioptre			
Myopic astigmatism			1.00 dioptre in any axis			
Accommodation			Not applicable		Not applicable	
Convergence			Not applicable		Not applicable	
Heterophoria	Must not exceed: Eso- or Exophoria 6 prism dioptres Hyperphoria/ Hypophoria 1 prism dioptre		Must not exceed: Eso- or Exophoria 6 prism dioptres Hyperphoria/ Hypophoria 1 prism dioptre		No limits	
Strabismus	If applicant does not meet MVR 1 requires ophthalmology assessment to exclude image jump or alternating squint. If surgery is recommended and surgery corrects cosmesis only and the applicant still does not meet the MVR standard the applicant does not meet ADF Standards.					
Nystagmus	Acquired- if diagnosis certain – unfit for ADF entry Congenital - if diagnosis certain and the appropriate MVR standard is met the applicant is fit for ADF entry					
Fields of vision	Should be normal to confrontation or, in cases of doubt, to perimetry					
Intra-ocular pressure	Not applicable unless candidate >45years of age					
Disease of the eye or eyelid	Acute conditions to be treated first. Chronic conditions may result in rejection. Seek ophthalmological opinion.					
Refractive Surgery	Refer guidelines for optometrists and ophthalmologists					

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