

YAG Capsulotomy

During a YAG capsulotomy, most patients will experience minimal discomfort, and the procedure is typically quick and painless.

Before the Procedure

- Eye drops are used to dilate the pupil and numb the eye. Please ensure that you bring sunglasses or a hat with a brim for after your treatment.
- You will sit at a machine similar to the one used during a regular eye examination.
- A special contact lens may be placed on the eye to help focus the laser.



During the Procedure

Painless:

- Your eye will have water rinsed over it during the procedure, this water can feel rather cold.

Mild sensations:

- Some patients may feel a slight tapping or popping sensation inside the eye as the laser pulses.
- You might see flashes of light or hear soft clicking sounds from the laser.

Bright light:

- The microscope light may feel intense, but it is not painful.
- The whole laser treatment usually takes a few minutes.

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After the Procedure

- Your vision may be blurred, or you may notice more floaters for a few hours, days and even months after the procedure.
- You will not be able to drive until the day after your procedure.
- You should not feel any pain, but some patients might feel a slight scratchy sensation from the contact lens. This should resolve quickly.
- It is rare for a patient to get side effects after the procedure but the Consultant will deal with any concerns.