

Q&A

Before your cataract surgery at St Stephen's Hospital

I've signed my consent, and the fees have been explained to me.

Yes, you will have to come back to have your eyes measured before your operation so that we know what strength implant to put in your eye.

Do I have to come back to this clinic for anything else before my surgery?

Do I need to go to St Stephen's Hospital before my operation and what is pre-admission?

You may need to go to attend St Stephen's Hospital for a pre-operative health check. This is called a pre-admission visit.

If you live in Maryborough, it will be on _____ at St Stephen's Medical Centre, 166 John St.

If you live in Hervey Bay, it will be on _____ at St Stephen's Hospital at 188-192 Nissen St., opposite the public hospital.

Is there anything else I must do before the day of the operation?

You need to get your prescription for eyedrops filled at your local pharmacy. Store your eye-drops in the fridge and start them the day AFTER you surgery.

Do I need to stop any of my existing medications before the operation?

Unless you specifically instructed to do so, you should not stop any of your usual medications. You do not have to stop and alter your usual eye-drops

What happens on the day of my operation?

You will be told by the staff at St Stephen's Hospital what time you should come to the Hospital for your surgery.

Once you are there, the staff will look after you.

You will have to pay St Stephen's hospital for your admission on the day of your surgery (approx \$990.00).

Where is St Stephen's Hospital in Hervey Bay?

188-192 Nissen St., opposite the public hospital.

When do I pay the rest of my fees?

An invoice will be sent to you by mail. Payment is required within 2 weeks.

What happens after the day of my surgery?

You can take off your eye-pad the day after your surgery.

You can start putting in your eyedrops in 4 times a day the day after your surgery.

You will have to visit the clinic to have you eyes checked 1 or 2 days after your surgery.

Please also refer to your post-operative instruction sheet