

No matter how ready you are for life without lenses, the decision to have LASIK is a big one. You want to know for certain that you're getting a safe and trusted treatment.

That's exactly why our practice offers an advanced approach to LASIK called the **IntraLase** Method. With the **IntraLase** Method, you can have a LASIK procedure that's 100% blade-free, exceptionally advanced, and has been shown to improve outcomes for more patients.¹

The **IntraLase** and **iFS** Laser Systems are ophthalmic surgical lasers indicated for use in patients undergoing surgery or treatment requiring the initial lamellar resection of the cornea. Contraindications may include corneal edema, glaucoma, and keratoconus. Risks and complications may include corneal pain, flap tearing, and epithelial ingrowth. Patients are requested to consult with their eye care professional for a complete listing of contraindications and risks. U.S. Federal law restricts this device to sale, distribution, and use by or on the order of a physician or other licensed eye care practitioner.

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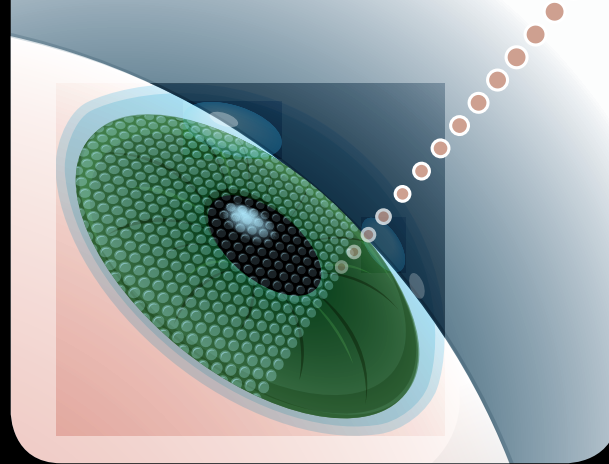


What is the IntraLase Method?

The **IntraLase** Method is a 100% blade-free approach to creating your LASIK flap — the thin flap of tissue that the doctor folds back in order to perform your LASIK procedure. The **IntraLase** Method can only be performed using the **IntraLase** Laser.

Traditionally, doctors have used an instrument called a microkeratome for the creation of LASIK flaps. The microkeratome is a hand-held blade that moves across the eye, cutting the LASIK flap as it goes. LASIK is extremely safe, but if complications do occur, the microkeratome is frequently the cause.

The **IntraLase** Method, by contrast, enables your doctor to create an individualized¹ LASIK flap without a blade ever touching your eye.



How Does it Work?

With the **IntraLase** Method, tiny pulses of laser light, a quadrillionth of a second each, pass harmlessly through the outer portion of your cornea and form a uniform layer of microscopic bubbles just beneath the surface of your eye.

The exact dimensions of this layer of bubbles are determined by your doctor based on what's best for your eye, and are computer controlled for maximum precision — things that are not possible with a hand-held blade. The **IntraLase** flap creation process takes about 15 to 20 seconds per eye and a total of 10 minutes for the entire LASIK procedure.

When it's time for your LASIK treatment to be performed, your doctor easily lifts the flap to apply the LASIK treatment. When LASIK is complete, a flap created using the **IntraLase** Method is uniquely able to “lock” back into place. Your eye then begins to rapidly heal.¹

Is it Right for Me?

If you're looking for a blade-free treatment that virtually eliminates the most severe sight-threatening complications, the answer is yes.

The **IntraLase** Method also delivers outstanding results — it has been shown to improve outcomes for more patients.¹ Patients may experience faster recovery, fewer LASIK flap-related complications, and fewer induced higher order aberrations.² Higher order aberrations may contribute to visual disturbances such as glare and halos.

What Else Should I Know?

It's preferred by patients.

In a clinical survey of LASIK patients who had their LASIK flaps created using a blade in one eye and the **IntraLase** Method in the other, the vision in the **IntraLase**-treated eye was preferred 3-to-1 (among those who stated a preference).^{3,4}

It's safe and trusted.^{1,5,6}

Millions of procedures have been performed safely and effectively using the **IntraLase** Method.

It's the most advanced treatment there is.

The **IntraLase** Method gives your doctor an extremely high degree of surgical control for exceptional outcomes.

Ultimately, the 100% blade-free **IntraLase** Method gives patients more confidence and less anxiety going in for LASIK treatment, and excellent vision coming out.

For more information about the IntraLase Method, please talk to your doctor and visit www.intralasefacts.com.



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