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Snellen's Chart

The Snellen's Chart is a chart developed in 1862 by the Dutch ophthalmologist Herman Snellen, the son of the renowned physician, Dr. F. A. Snellen. The younger Snellen studied medicine in The Netherlands under Gerard Johann Mulder, Jacobus Ludovicus Conradus Schroeder van der Kolk, and Franz Cornelis Donders. He received his medical doctorate at Utrecht in 1858.

Dr. Snellen's chart is used to measure the percentage of loss of visual acuity.

Snellen's Chart Readings	Percentage of Loss of Visual Acuity
20/20	0
20/25	5
20/30	10
20/40	20
20/50	25
20/60	33 1/2
20/70	40
20/80	50
20/90	62 1/2
20/100	75
20/110	80
20/120	85
20/130	87
20/140	89
20/150	91
20/160	93
20/170	95
20/180	97
20/190	99
20/200	100

Any other deviation from normal vision caused by the injury shall be considered.