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## Eyelid surgery (Blepharoplasty)

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In upper **eyelid surgery**, the surgeon makes an incision along the eyelid crease in the natural skin fold of the eyelid and removes unwanted skin, fat and muscle. Cosmetic Surgeon closes up the incision, hiding the scar inside the natural fold of the upper eyelid.

In lower eyelid surgery, the surgeon moves or removes fat from the eyebags either through an external incision made just below the lower lashes or through an incision made on the inside of the eyelid. A small amount of skin may also be removed, but the orbicularis muscle (the muscle that closes the eyelid) should be preserved.



**Before**

**After**

Although eyelid surgery is a fairly comfortable procedure, you will be required to take 5-10 days off work. There will be some expected bruising which subsides quickly. The sutures may be dissolvable or a surgical glue may be used. If the sutures do need to be removed, this will be done between 4 and 7 days.

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