

FAQ - ZEISS Essential Line Connectivity

For Eye Care Professionals



No.	Question	Answer
What are my workflow needs?		
1	What kind of connectivity is offered by ZEISS Essential Line products?	ZEISS Essential Line products offer data exchange via a network or serial interface.
2	Does the ZEISS Essential Line fit into my practice workflow?	You can use ZEISS Essential Line devices on a single workstation or in a dedicated pre-test area in your practice. ZEISS offers options to network basic diagnostic devices and to integrate them into your practice workflow regardless of patient volume and locality.
3	Does the ZEISS Essential Line support a paperless workflow?	Yes. All Essential Line devices feature an interface for electronic data management. You can either use your EMR/ophthalmic PACS or ZEISS FORUM as a central database. If you prefer to work with paper records, Essential Line devices either include a printer or can be connected to a network printer.
4	I already have some pre-test equipment. How does the ZEISS Essential Line fit in with what I already have?	Essential Line devices can be mixed and matched to suit your practice and to complement devices you already own. Connectivity to EMR/PACS can only be offered for ZEISS Essential Line devices.
Can I connect to my EMR/PACS?		
5	How do ZEISS Essential Line devices connect to EMR/PACS systems?	ZEISS offers both serial data connectivity and network integration. All devices feature a well-defined output protocol for export into EMR and a DICOM interface for PACS systems. The EMR needs to support the relevant device interface or conform to DICOM standards.
6	How do I find out if ZEISS Essential Line devices connect to my practice EMR/PACS?	Contact your EMR vendor with a list of ZEISS Essential Line devices you are interested in. Please also complete the contact form on this webpage and state the EMR system you are using.
7	What options do I have to connect devices to my EMR?	Depending on whether you simply need to store exam results, prefer to work with patient work lists for pre-test devices or need to process data, e.g. to speed up your refraction workflow, ZEISS offers a wide range of options. Complete the form on the Contact page and a local representative will be in touch to discuss your needs.

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What are the next steps?		
8	Who do I need to contact to check if Essential Line devices connect to my EMR?	The first point of contact to verify if Essential Line devices are directly compatible with your practice database system and what steps are needed for connection is your local EMR provider.
9	What further information do I need?	Interface descriptions for all ZEISS Essential Line devices can be downloaded from this webpage. Forward this information to your EMR provider together with information on which devices you are interested in.
10	Can I get support from ZEISS to contact my EMR provider directly?	Yes. Please complete the contact form on this website. If you provide the contact details of your EMR vendor and a list of devices you are interested in we will get in touch with your EMR vendor directly and provide all information required to integrate ZEISS Essential Line devices.

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