

**BEFORE THE FITNESS TO PRACTISE COMMITTEE
OF THE GENERAL OPTICAL COUNCIL**

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F(26)10

AND

ROHAIL NAWAZ (01-25274)

**NOTICE OF INQUIRY
SUBSTANTIVE HEARING**

Take notice that an Inquiry will be conducted in the above matter by the Fitness to Practise Committee of the General Optical Council.

A substantive hearing will be proceeding:

Remotely

The substantive hearing will commence at 9:30am on **Monday 28 September to Thursday 1 October 2026** by way of video conference or telephone conference facilities.

The Inquiry will be based upon the allegation submitted by the Council (see below) and will determine whether the fitness to practise of **Rohail Nawaz** is impaired by virtue of the provisions contained in section 13D(2) of the Opticians Act 1989.

Euan Napier
Hearings Manager, General Optical Council

27 August 2026

ALLEGATION

The Council alleges that you, Mr Rohail Nawaz (01-25274), a registered Optometrist, whilst at your former business address, [redacted];

1) Between 19 August 2024 and 1 September 2024, you failed to maintain patient confidentiality in that you:

- a. did not securely store and/or protect paper copies of confidential patient records to prevent loss, destruction, theft and/or inappropriate disclosure;
- b. did not confidentially dispose of the paper copies of confidential patient records, when no longer required;

And by virtue of the facts set out above, your fitness to practise is impaired by reason of Misconduct.

Committee Members:

Sara Nathan (Chair/Lay)

Diane Roskilly (Lay)

Asmita Naik (Lay)

Annabelle Magee (Optometrist)

Gemma O'Rourke (Optometrist)

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