There may be a sticky discharge from the eye, in the morning your eyelids may be stuck together

One or both eyes may be affected

Your eye lids may be swollen

A feeling of something in the eye

This will depend on the cause of your conjunctivitis.

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Use separate towels and face flannels

Use paper tissues instead of cloth handkerchiefs when wiping your eyes and discard after use

Do not wear an eyepad over the eye, as this will cause the infection to become worse

It is not advisable to go swimming with conjunctivitis.

Always remove contact lenses until your conjunctivitis has resolved. Replace your lenses and case, or seek advice from your contact lens practitioner.

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