Thyroid eye disease (TED) is an autoimmune disease where the body attacks its own cells around the eyes.

TED is a separate condition from Graves’ disease that occurs in up to half of people with Graves.

Common symptoms include:
- Bulging or protruding eyes
- Double vision and blurred vision
- Light sensitivity
- Dry eyes
- Excessive tearing
- Swelling of the eyelids
- Redness, irritation or grittiness
- Without proper treatment, TED can lead to permanent vision loss

Graves’ disease and TED are more common in women than men, but can affect both.

If you are experiencing signs of Graves’ disease or TED, talk to your doctor about getting your thyroid checked and how best to manage these conditions.