

FAQ'S

How long will the procedure take?

A TCS partial or denture can be delivered in as little as two visits, but usually, the average appliance is delivered in 4 visits (approximately two to six weeks).

Will the process hurt?

TCS restorations are non-invasive, yet minimal discomfort may occur. For partial dentures sometimes preparations to the abutment teeth are necessary, but there is little discomfort associated with this procedure.

How long do partial dentures and full dentures last?

According to statistics, full dentures last up to 10 years, while partial dentures can last up to 15 years. Over time natural changes in your mouth may occur, should modifications be needed, appliances can be adjusted rather than replaced. It is recommended to visit your dentist for a check up every 12 months, or at the earliest sign of irritation.

Can I wear my appliance to sleep?

It is best practice for patients to remove their appliance to sleep. You should not wear your appliance 24 hours a day without removing them for proper oral hygiene. Ask your dentist before wearing dentures overnight.

Will I have difficulty chewing?

Some foods may never be easy to chew with your appliance, but the combination of a properly designed and fitted appliance with TCS material's durability and superior adaptation will give you the best chewing experience of any removable denture material available.

Will the appliance change how I speak?

Sometimes it is difficult to speak clearly with missing teeth, therefore, the appliance may improve your speech clarity. Do not worry if you find it difficult to pronounce certain words, over time you will become accustomed to speaking properly with your new appliance.

Can I make minor adjustments to my TCS appliance?

We strongly recommend that you do not alter your appliance in any way. If adjustments are needed, please contact your dentist.

How long will it take for me to adapt to my new TCS appliance?

Partial dentures are normally easier to become accustomed to because they attach to your natural teeth. Full dentures require your muscles to work in new ways to help stabilize and manipulate them. Denture wearers can feel very comfortable with just a little practice.

Should I consider implants?

Dental implants are a possible alternative to dentures. Implants are surgically integrated into your jaw bone to hold a replacement tooth or bridge in place. Implants and bridges may resemble the "feel" of real teeth however, they are significantly more expensive than dentures and the process is invasive. Not all patients are good candidates for implants, so be sure to talk to your dentist about which treatment option is best for you.

How do I care for my appliance?

The American Dental Association (ADA) and the American College of Prosthodontists (ACP) recommend that dentures be cleaned daily by soaking and gently brushing with an effective, non-abrasive denture cleanser. We recommend using the TCS Fresh Concentrated Dental Appliance Cleaner.

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PROPER CARE

The key to keeping your dental appliance looking and feeling like new is to soak it in a cleansing solution every day, starting from when you first receive it. Continue to brush your natural teeth and gums as directed by your dentist and follow these simple recommendations.



1. Rinse your dental appliance thoroughly under running water to remove any food particles.



2. Brush your dental appliance with a soft denture brush using water only. Rinse again.



3. Submerge your dental appliance in a cleansing solution for at least 30 minutes daily. We recommend using the *TCS Fresh Concentrated Dental Appliance Cleaner*. **Note:** Extremely soiled appliances may require overnight soaking.



4. Rinse dental appliance thoroughly under running water prior to re-insertion into mouth. When possible, keep your appliance in water or a denture cleansing solution when you are not wearing it.

DO NOT use bleach, toothpaste, or similar cleaning products, these may scratch or discolor the surface of your appliance.

TCS FRESH



TCS Fresh Dental Appliance Cleaner (4505-02)

Professional strength cleaner deep cleans and refreshes most types of removable dental appliances. Uniquely formulated to keep appliances looking and feeling like new!

1 box of 24 (~6 Month Supply) **\$30**

2 boxes of 24 (~12 Month Supply) **\$56**

Add a brush for \$3.00*

TCS Fresh Dental Appliance Brush (4506FR-01)

Soft bristle brush to thoroughly clean dental appliances without scratching the surface.

*Dental Appliance Brush is not sold individually.



Note: If your appliance contains metal framework, ask your dentist what type of metal was used for your appliance before use. The TCS Fresh Dental Appliance Cleaner is not recommended for use on prosthetics fabricated with Ticonium® Alloy.

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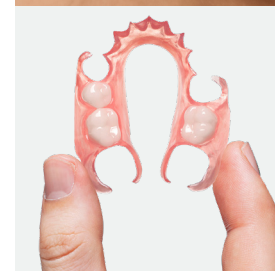
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PATIENT INFORMATION



TCS FLEXIBLE PARTIALS AND DENTURES

Comfortable, aesthetic, and economical solutions for missing teeth.



YOU DON'T HAVE TO COMPROMISE YOUR SMILE

When you are ready to replace your missing teeth, you will find that there are numerous solutions to choose from, each with advantages and disadvantages. It can be daunting to sift through factors such as cost, procedure type, aesthetics, etc. Fortunately, you don't have to make this decision alone, your dentist will help assess what is best for your needs and if a TCS Removable Appliance is the right choice for you. Whether you choose TCS or an alternative solution, you will be one step closer to restoring your smile.

TCS Removable Appliances

TCS removable appliances are custom made restorations that are processed in a laboratory using specialized techniques that yield a precise fit. TCS's resin properties allow partials and dentures to be fabricated thinner than conventional acrylic dentures, therefore, they are generally more comfortable and easier to adapt to. Unlike permanent tooth replacement options such as crown/bridge and implants, TCS appliances are non-invasive, making them a good choice for patients with a low threshold for pain.

Benefits of TCS Appliances

- ✓ **Beautiful Aesthetics.** TCS restorations are fabricated without metal clasps to blend in seamlessly with your natural tissue. A properly fitted TCS restoration is virtually undetectable in the mouth, providing you with a natural-looking smile.
- ✓ **BPA & Monomer Free.** TCS resins are biocompatible and hypoallergenic, as well as BPA and monomer free.
- ✓ **Durable.** The unique characteristics and processing attributes of TCS materials allow for break a resistant and highly durable restoration.



TCS GIVES YOU OPTIONS

3 resins to choose from

TCS offers two base materials for flexible partial dentures (**Unbreakable™** and **iFlex™**) and one semi-rigid base material (**Karadent™**) for full dentures, clear clasps, & frameworks.

Ask your dentist which TCS resin is right for you.



Flexible Partials

Unbreakable™ by tcs®
(Nylon based)

iFlex™ by tcs®
(Polyolefin based)



Full Dentures

Karadent™ by tcs®
(Microcrystalline polymer based)

An Affordable Solution for All

Contrary to common belief, dentures are not just for elderly patients. In fact, patients of all ages may lose some or all their teeth and might need an affordable, aesthetic solution. Luckily, TCS restorations are cost-effective and can undetectably restore your smile no matter what stage in life you are in.

	Acrylic Dentures	Acrylic Metal Frame Partial	Fixed Crown/Bridge	Implants	TCS
Affordable	✓	✓			✓
Durability			✓	✓	✓
Comfort*	✓		✓	✓	✓
Non-Invasive	✓	Slightly Invasive			✓
Quick Procedure	✓	✓			✓
Monomer Free			✓	✓	✓

*Patients have reported that partials and dentures made with TCS materials are significantly more comfortable than acrylic and metal appliances.

Adapting to Your New Smile

Do not feel discouraged as you adjust to your new denture. You may experience minor soreness or discomfort, which is common. Be sure to follow up with your dentist for minor adjustments (if necessary) to relieve discomfort. Once dentures are properly fitted, patients normally adapt quickly and can smile with confidence.

Caring for Your New Smile

It is important to treat your dentures like you would your natural teeth. Daily cleaning is necessary for the maintenance of your appliance and for your oral health. Soaking and gently brushing your appliance with an effective, non-abrasive dental appliance cleaner, such as the TCS Fresh Dental Appliance Cleaner, prevents the buildup of biofilms on your appliance that can be harmful to your health. Schedule regular preventative care appointments with your dentist to make sure that both the dentures and your mouth are in good health.

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