

Dencraft - Information for the BDA Good Practice Scheme

Dencraft Quality Assurance

We are registered with the **Medical Devices Agency**, so that you can be sure that the alloys and materials we use are of the highest standards and meet all legal requirements.

We are **DAMAS** accredited (2004) (a quality assurance award, specific to dental laboratories and endorsed by the BDA)

Dencraft Cross Infection Control Policy

We ask our clients as part of their cross infection control procedures to ensure that all impressions are rinsed and disinfected before they are either posted to Dencraft or collected by our delivery driver. However in order to protect our staff we also routinely disinfect all unlabelled impressions entering the lab.

Our staff are at risk from bacterial, fungal and viral infections if impressions are not correctly dealt with. A “dirty” impression will make a dirty model causing potential inhalation risks as work is sectioned out and dies are trimmed.

Disinfection procedure

- ◆ People handling un-disinfected impressions must wear gloves
- ◆ All work coming in to the lab must be rinsed and then dipped or sprayed.
- ◆ Work is immersed in a bath of Perform ID made up to the manufacturers instructions.

Procedure

Rinse impressions and prosthetic materials under running water.

Dissolve 1 sachet of Perform-ID by scattering in 2L lukewarm water.

Place impressions in solution and leave for 10 mins.

Remove and rinse again under running water.

Perform-ID - details

(BDA accredited- effective against bacteria and fungi, HVB, HIV and TbB)

Usage - for all prosthetic materials and dental impressions of silicone, polyether and alginate.

A broad microbiological effect with short submersion time (10 mins) tested material compatibility and dimensional stability for impressions and good cleaning effect.

Contains

Potassium peroxomonosulphate

Sodium benzoate

Tartaric acid

- ◆ A timer should be used to ensure that work is not immersed for over 10 minutes as this can cause distortion.
- ◆ Alginate impressions should be sprayed rather than dipped.
- ◆ After disinfection impressions should be rinsed in running water.

Plaster trap

- ✦ The plaster trap is a potential source of cross infection as undisinfected impressions are rinsed here.
- ✦ Laboratory sinks are strictly used for technical work – strictly no food or drinks residue.
- ✦ Plaster trap to be emptied weekly. People doing this job to wear protective glasses and gloves.

Shade taking

- ✦ Gloves should be worn.

Denture repairs

- ✦ Patient should be given a plastic bag for their denture which must be taken through to the plaster room and treated in the same way as an impression before repair work is carried out.

General

- ✦ Both technical & admin staff must have a Hepatitis B vaccination.
- ✦ No food is to be consumed in laboratory areas.

Work leaving the lab

- ✦ Work leaving the lab is clean, but not sterilised. Under the Medical Devices regulations there is a note on our lab tickets to this effect. It is the dentist's responsibility to decide whether work should be disinfected before fitting in the patient's mouth.

End of Day routine

- ✦ Worksurfaces where work has been received from dentists are to be cleaned using a disinfectant spray.
- ✦ Baths of Perform to be emptied and made up ready for the following day.