

Immediate Dentures

An immediate denture is placed at the time the teeth are extracted. To make this possible, measurements and models are taken during the preliminary visit. However, bones and gums can shrink over time, especially during the healing period in the first six months after extraction of teeth. When gums shrink, immediate dentures may require rebasing or relining to fit properly. Failing this a new denture will need to be made incurring further charges.

The stability and retention of the denture(s) depends on many factors, including the attachment and fit of the denture(s) to natural teeth, implants if any, the amount and type of bone, gum tissue, and saliva, as well as the ability in placing and removing the denture(s).

There may be gum soreness or discomfort under the denture(s). This can be relieved by the dentist with adjustments.

The new denture(s) may feel awkward for a few weeks until you become accustomed to them, and the denture(s) may feel loose while your cheek muscles and tongue learn to keep them in place.

We will make every attempt to create a natural appearance for the denture(s); however, it may not be possible for the denture(s) to support my lip and facial contours perfectly.

Eating with the denture(s) will require practice. We recommend to start with soft foods cut into small pieces and chew slowly, using both sides of your mouth at the same time, to prevent the denture(s) from tipping.

You will to exercise caution when eating chewy, hot, or hard foods (for example: apples, nuts, toffees). Pronouncing certain words may take practice. Reading aloud and repeating troublesome words will help during this adaptation phase. Sometimes the denture(s) will slip when you laugh, cough, or smile. You can reposition the denture(s) by gently biting down and swallowing. If difficulty in speaking persists, please don't hesitate to contact us.