



TECHNICAL GUIDE

Pedo (Kiddie) Partials



When upper anterior teeth are lost prematurely a Fixed Pedo Partial can help make the transition until the permanent teeth erupt. There are several reasons for using a partial in young children. First and most obvious are the esthetic and social reasons. The child will look better and feel more confident with a Pedo Partial in place. There are also speech and orthodontic reasons for using a Pedo Partial. The upper anterior teeth are required for proper speech and functional development as the tongue must contact the lingual of these teeth to form certain sounds. Orthodontically the appliance will aid in preventing tongue thrusting problems and a resultant open bite.

Our Fixed Pedo Partial design is both durable and esthetic. We incorporate rests on the first deciduous molars for stability and each pontic is reinforced with metal posts. The plastic pontics are available in four shades selected from the Pedo Partial Shade Guide. We can also match pontics to NuSmile® Crowns if needed.

To send us a case:

1. Call for shipping supplies if needed at 713-861-0033 or toll free at 800-346-5133. We will send boxes, mailing labels, and prescription forms ASAP. Request a Pedo Partial Shade Guide if you do not have one.
2. Send to **Orthodontic Technologies** a completed and signed lab slip with the shade required. Indicate pedo shade 1-4, or choose the NuSmile® Shade needed, either Extra Light or Light.
3. Send us models or impressions. For best results send us both upper (post-extraction) and lower models/impressions. Please note, if a lower model is not provided we cannot check the occlusion.
4. Send pre-sized bands separate from the models/impressions. Or, if you want the lab to size bands for you, indicate which teeth to band.

For Additional Information Call **ORTHODONTIC TECHNOLOGIES, INC.** 1-800-346-5133

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