

Introduction to Removal of Partial Dentures

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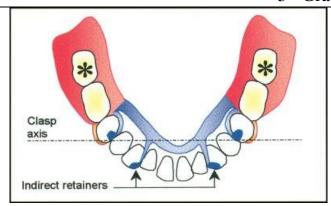
Terminology Review:

- **Prosthetics:** Replacing lost bodily parts is both an art and a science.
- **Prosthesis:** That's any device that replaces a missing portion of the human body.
- **Prosthodontics:** The discipline of dentistry is concerned with the restoration of lost teeth and oral tissues.
- Dentulous Patient: A patient who has all of his or her natural teeth.
- Edentulous Patient: A patient who has lost all of his or her teeth
- **Removable Prosthodontics:** The replacement of missing teeth and related structures with a removable prosthesis that the wearer can remove and replace.
- a. Completely removable prosthodontics.
- b. Removable partial prosthodontics (RPP).
- **Partially Edentulous:** Patients who are partially edentulous (missing one or more natural teeth but not all of them).
- Removable Partial Denture (RPD): This is a removable dental prosthesis (appliance) that replaces one or more natural teeth and oral tissues.
- ❖ Free End Edentulous Area (distal extension edentulous area) (Free End Extension FEE): Is an edentulous region with only one abutment tooth.
- **Dounded Edentulous Area:** Each end of an edentulous region has an abutment tooth.
- **♦ Abutment:** A tooth, a fragment of a tooth, or a piece of a dental implant that supports and/or retains a prosthesis.
- ♦ Clasp Assembly: by partially enveloping or touching an abutment tooth, the component of a removable partial denture that functions as a direct retainer and/or stabilizer for a prosthesis. The clasp, reciprocal clasp, cingulum, incisal or occlusal rest, and minor connection are all parts of the clasp assembly.

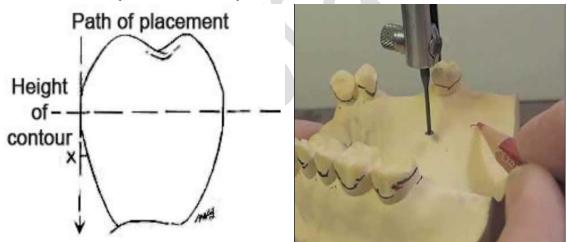
Fulcrum Line of a Removable Partial Denture: A hypothetical axis along which a detachable partial denture rotates.



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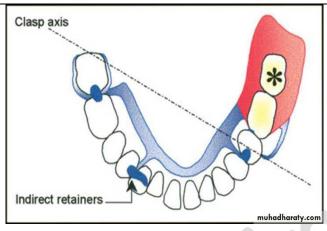
- ♦ Guiding Planes: Vertically parallel surfaces on abutment teeth are intended to help direct the route of a removable partial denture's installation and removal.
- ♦ Height of Contour: A line surrounding a tooth and marking its largest circumference in a specific plane as determined by a dental surveyor; a line enclosing a body and designating its greatest circumference in a specific plane as determined by a dental surveyor.



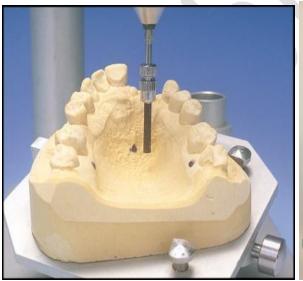
♦ Indirect Retainer: When the denture base moves, the component of a removable partial denture that aids the direct retainer (s) in preventing displacement of the distal extension denture base by acting as a lever on the opposite side of the fulcrum line.



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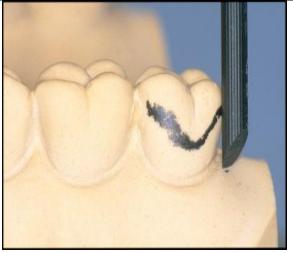
- **Surveyor:** A paralleling tool is used to find and outline the shapes and relative locations of abutment teeth and other structures during the fabrication of a prosthesis.
- **Surveying:** The prominence of intraoral features related to the construction of a prosthesis is examined and compared.
- **Survey Line:** A surveyor's line is drawn on a cast to indicate the most prominent contour in relation to the restoration's intended path of placement





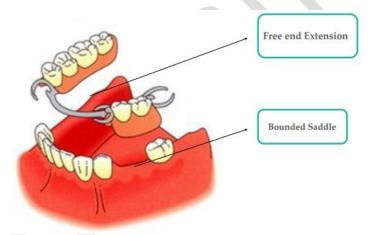


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♦ Undercut: The section of an object's surface that is below the height of the contour is known as the "base contour" in relation to the route of placement.



A Removable Partial Denture's Objectives Include:

- 1. Preservation of the Remaining Tissues:
- •The shape and space of the tongue are preserved.
- •Preservation of the tongue contour and space.
- Preservation of the health of the remaining teeth.
- Prevention of muscles and TMJ function.
- Preservation of the residual ridge.
- 2. Replacing missing teeth prevents teeth from migrating into the edentulous region when the original dentition is gone.
- 3. Improve masticatory function by restoring the dental arch's continuity.



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- 4. Improving the appearance and supporting the muscles, lips, and cheeks.
- 5. Enhance your psychological well-being.
- 6. Restoring a person's speech that has been harmed.

RPD is indicated in the following situations:

- 1. A large edentulous area.
- 2. No abutment tooth exists behind the edentulous region.
- 3. The remaining teeth's periodontal support is jeopardized.
- 4. Stabilization of the cross arch is required.
- 5. Bone loss in the remaining ridge is excessive.
- 6. The patient's physical or emotional difficulties
- 7. Aesthetics are a priority.
- 8. There is an immediate need to replace teeth that have been taken.
- 9. The patient's wishes.
- 10. The maxillomandibular connection is unfavorable.

Advantages of Removable Partial Denture over Fixed Partial Denture

Removable partial dentures have several advantages over fixed partial dentures.

- 1. RPDs are made to fit any situation, whereas FPDs are restricted to small spans surrounded by healthy teeth and proper occlusion.
- 2. Costs less than a permanent partial denture.
- 3. They are less difficult to clean.
- 4. They are easier to fix.
- 5. No tooth reduction is required.