



Invisalign® – Frequently Asked Questions

1. Do you offer invisible braces?

- Yes, our practitioner is certified to provide the Invisalign system and has treated many patients with excellent results.
- We'd like to invite you for an initial consultation to find out more about improving your smile with no obligation.

2. What is Invisalign?

- Invisalign is the clinically proven, nearly invisible way to straighten teeth without metal braces.
- You wear a series of clear, removable aligners which gradually move your teeth into the desired position. Our aligners can be removed for eating and cleaning.

3. What does it Cost?

- We offer full Invisalign treatment from as little as _____ and includes:
(insert amount)
 - An initial consultation
 - All photographs, impressions and records
 - Aligners and after-care
 - _____

4. How does it work?

- Based on your practitioner's diagnosis, a series of aligners are custom made in a laboratory using advanced 3D computer imaging technology.
- You wear each aligner for two weeks before replacing it with the next one/aligner in the series, until your teeth are straight.

5. Why should I select Invisalign?

- Aligners are nearly **invisible** - straighten your teeth without anyone noticing.
- Aligners are **comfortable** – there are no wires or metal to cause irritation to your mouth or gums.
- Aligners are **removable** – for eating, drinking, dental care or other activities.
- Better **oral hygiene** during treatment – brush and floss normally to maintain healthy gums and teeth.

6. Will it work for me?

- Adults with fully erupted dentition or teenagers with partially erupted permanent dentition can be treated with Invisalign, even if they have crowns or bridges.
- Many common issues like crooked or crowded teeth, spaces between teeth and certain overbite and crossbite types can be successfully corrected.

7. Is this treatment only for adults?

- No, Invisalign can be used to treat adults and teenagers alike. There are now a family of products available to treat different types of treatments/patients.
- Ask your practitioner today to see if you will qualify for Invisalign treatment.

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8. How do I get started?

- After your initial evaluation with your practitioner, you will discuss your goals for a new smile.
- We plan your full treatment together, and take impressions, X-rays and photographs of your teeth and smile.
- With advanced computer technology we can then show you a model of how your final smile could look, before you start your treatment.

9. How long does the treatment take?

- Depending on the difficulty, most treatments will take 9 – 18 months.

10. How long do I have to wear the aligners?

- The aligners should be worn for 20 to 22 hours a day for the best results.
- Every 2 weeks you change to a new aligner and we recommend a check up once every 6–8 weeks.

11. Are the aligners really Invisible?

- The aligners are made from clear plastic, so they are nearly invisible.
- Even when very close, most people will not notice you are straightening your teeth – unless you tell them!

12. Can I eat and drink with my aligners?

- No. The aligners are removable so you can still enjoy your favourite food and drinks.
- Be committed to wearing your aligners at all times except for eating, drinking, cleaning and flossing.

13. Do the aligners hurt?

- It is normal that you will only feel temporary discomfort when you wear the aligners for the first few days.
- The smooth aligners are not harmful to the inside of your mouth, but you do feel pressure and this is a good sign that the aligners are working.

14. Are there any side effects?

- As with conventional treatments, you may feel a slight pressure at first.
- Aligners may temporarily affect the speech of some people, and you may have a slight lisp for a day or two.

15. How old is this technology?

- Align Technology, Inc., the company that manufactures Invisalign, was founded in 1997.
- Since then over 1 million patients have been or are in treatment with Invisalign.
- For more information please visit the website – www.invisalign.co.uk

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