

## NDX Digital Dentures Guide for Successful Scanning

### Copy or Reference Denture Scanning Workflow

A Copy Denture is an exact copy of an existing denture. The tooth shade may be altered.

A Reference Denture is an existing denture that can be used as a custom tray for constructing a new prosthesis.

- 1. Clinically evaluate the patient and the existing prosthesis.
  - a. For Copy Dentures only:
    - The prosthesis should be intact with normal occlusal wear (not broken, chipped or missing teeth and stable/free from excessive rocking)
    - Borders should be well extended (>5mm)
    - The mandibular prosthesis should cover the retromolar pads
    - The maxillary prosthesis should cover the tuberosities
    - The midline should be acceptable

#### For both Copy Dentures and Reference Dentures

- 2. Remove any liners, adhesives and excess saliva from the prosthesis.
- 3. Take a border molded reline impression of the upper and lower denture (not applicable for Copy Dentures).
- 4. Take a bite between the upper and lower while the impression material is in place.
- 5. Stabilize and scan according to your scanner manufacturer's guidelines.
- 6. Clean and return the Reference Denture to the patient.
- 7. Send digital files to an NDX Digital Denture Lab. Visit **nationaldentex.com/digital-dentures** for participating labs.







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### Immediate Denture Scanning Workflow

**An Immediate Denture** is a new prosthesis produced by scanning the patient's existing dentition before teeth are extracted.

- 1. Remove any excess saliva from the oral cavity.
- 2. Begin scanning on an occlusal surface of the existing dentition according to your scanner manufacturer's guidelines.
- Send digital files to an NDX Digital Denture Lab. Visit nationaldentex.com/digital-dentures for participating labs.

### **Tips for Success**

- Four-handed dentistry may be helpful during the scanning process.
- A cheek retraction device may assist in stabilizing the tissue.
- Disable artificial intelligence (A.I.) if applicable and clean up after capturing the initial segment.
- Move slowly and steadily in a continuous pattern to allow the scanner to capture the images to build the 3D scan.
- Keep the lens clean and clear of moisture and debris.
- Never modify a patient's existing denture.
- Communicate with your NDX lab and include detailed notes on the digital Rx form.

### **NEED MORE ASSISTANCE?**

To receive complimentary training and tips for scanning from our clinically-trained IOS specialists, please contact

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