

INDIRECT TRIPODING CONSTRUCTION BITE

SAMPLE CONSTRUCTION BITE FOR BALANCED ANTERIOR AND POSTERIOR “INDIRECT” TRIPODING



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A PROPER CONSTRUCTION BITE IS ESSENTIAL

*The laboratory will require Mx & Md casts
with the outlined construction bite.*

- **IDEAL CLASS I MOLAR/CUSPID RELATIONSHIP TO A 5% overbite.**
- Take the construction bite with the patient standing upright (not laying back in the dental chair).
- Take a sheet of baseplate wax and cut it in half length wise. Place the wax in a bowl of hot tap water to soften then roll it like a fat pencil. Cut it to the arch length. Place the wax over the lower posterior teeth.
- **DO NOT** cover the incisal of the anterior teeth. Place the wax LINGUAL to the lower incisors so you may visually see the overjet, overbite and midlines.
- **DO NOT** cover the buccal cusps of the molars/bicuspids.
- **The laboratory will** take particular care to mount the patient's casts to the **construction bite**.
- The laboratory **CANNOT PROCEED** with Indirect Tripoding without a construction bite.
- **The laboratory will NEVER ALTER** the construction bite without contacting the doctor.
- **Instructions by the Doctor to alter the construction bite** will be documented and will likely result in considerable additional chair time in order to balance the occlusion.

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