

7 Impressions, prostheses and orthodontic appliances

- 7.1 Decontamination of these devices is a multi-step process to be conducted in accord with the device or material manufacturer's instructions. In general terms, the procedure will be as follows:
- a. Immediately after removal from the mouth, any device should be rinsed under clean running water. This process should continue until the device is visibly clean.
 - b. All devices should receive disinfection according to the manufacturer's instructions. This will involve the use of specific cleaning materials

- noted in the CE-marking instructions. After disinfection, the device should again be thoroughly washed. This process should occur before and after any device is placed in a patient's mouth.
- c. If the device is to be returned to a supplier/ laboratory or in some other fashion sent out of the practice, a label to indicate that a decontamination process has been used should be affixed to the package.