

Using Playsafe 4u Anterior Teeth

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The second part of the Playsafe 4u graphics mouthguard system are the Anterior Teeth sections. White or black pre-cut sections are available. With this system we can add the popular “fangs” or “teeth” type graphics to mouthguards and with a 3D-look.

It is worth noting that applying the Anterior Teeth is a little more technical than the Playsafe 4u graphics and brings an artistic element to their use in the initial shaping of the “teeth” (Step 3) and for further customisation if desired. The limits are up to your imagination.

Applying Playsafe 4u Anterior Teeth



Step 1. Heat the area where the teeth section is to be placed with the hot air pen (art # 177540) for 10-15 seconds.



Step 2. Set the “teeth” in position and press onto the mouthguard. It is not necessary to bond the whole section, just to fix it securely in the chosen position.



Step 3. With the hot air pen, heat each tooth (only a small amount of heat is required, 3-4 seconds) and then using an FG Sheet (art # 177400) press to shape onto the mouthguard. Work from one side of the tooth section to the other to allow the previously heated area to cool slightly to avoid distorting the work you have done.



Step 4. Allow the mouthguard to cool to room temperature then using a “sharpened” Lisko-s disc (art # 223200) create separation between the teeth.

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Step 5. Remove dust and debris with compressed air then re-shine with the hot air pen and FG Sheet. This gives a clean result or you can add further customisation for different effects.



Figure 6. An alternate colour combination.



Figure 7. Here, we worked some red Erkoflex onto the canine tips... And now went further with black Erkoflex in the inter-proximal areas and brown shading on the gingival third - this creates a much different appearance.



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