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## Introduction

Polymeric materials based on methacrylates have been widely used in the construction of both active and passive removable orthodontic appliances for many years. These removable appliances are mainly used in the orthodontic treatment of children. The method of preparing the polymeric part of the orthodontic appliance has several potential problems. Depending on the polymerization process and polymer/monomer mixing ratio, the polymer part of the removable orthodontic appliance may be weaker than if conventional flasking and heat systems of polymerization were used. There may be a greater risk that an appliance will have more residual substances such as monomers than a conventional heat-cured denture base polymer. In addition, a high monomer content of the polymer/monomer mix may cause increased contraction on polymerization.

Specific qualitative and quantitative requirements for freedom from biological hazard are not included in this part of ISO 20795, but it is recommended that, in assessing possible biological or toxicological hazards, reference be made to ISO 10993-1 and ISO 7405.

# Dentistry — Base polymers —

## Part 2: Orthodontic base polymers

### 1 Scope

This part of ISO 20795 is applicable to orthodontic base polymers and copolymers used in the construction of both active and passive orthodontic appliances and specifies their requirements. It also specifies test methods to be used in determining compliance with these requirements. It further specifies requirements with respect to packaging and marking the products and to the instructions to be supplied for use of these materials.

### 2 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

ISO 1942, *Dentistry — Vocabulary*

ISO 3696, *Water for analytical laboratory use — Specification and test methods*

ISO 7491, *Dental materials — Determination of colour stability*

ISO 8601, *Data elements and interchange formats — Information interchange — Representation of dates and times*

ISO 20795-1:2008, *Dentistry — Base polymers — Part 1: Denture base polymers*

### 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in ISO 1942 and the following apply.

#### 3.1

##### **autopolymerizable materials**

products having polymerization initiated by chemical means and not requiring application of temperatures above 65 °C to complete the polymerization

#### 3.2

##### **build up technique**

##### **spray on technique**

gradual addition of increments of powder and liquid on the master cast until the desired shape is attained

#### 3.3

##### **immediate container**

container that is in direct contact with the (orthodontic) base materials

#### 3.4

##### **light activated polymers**

products having polymerization initiated by the application of energy from an external radiation source, such as visible light