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Composite Bonding and Composite Veneers

Questions and Answers

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Composite Bonding and Composite Veneers: your questions answered

Composite bonding uses tooth coloured resin, shaped by hand, to improve the shape, size or colour of teeth. Composite veneers cover the whole front surface of a tooth with the same material.

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Your questions answered

How long does composite bonding last?

It varies with your bite, habits and care. Many people find it lasts around five years or more before it needs significant repair or replacement. Regular polishing helps keep it looking good.

Does bonding damage my teeth?

Usually little or no tooth is removed, so your natural teeth are largely preserved. Occasionally a small amount of enamel is smoothed, which we will discuss with you first.

Does it hurt?

Most people find bonding comfortable and do not need an injection. We can use local anaesthetic if you prefer.

What is the difference between edge bonding and composite veneers?

Edge bonding adds composite to part of a tooth, often the biting edge. A composite veneer covers the whole front surface. We will advise which suits your teeth.

Can bonded teeth be whitened?

No. Composite will not change colour. That is why we whiten first if you would like lighter teeth, and then match the bonding to your new shade.

Will it look natural?

We aim for a natural result by choosing shades and shapes that suit your face and smile. You can preview the plan with a trial smile before treatment.

What happens if it chips?

Small chips can usually be repaired in one visit by adding new composite. Please contact us so we can check it.

Is composite better than porcelain?

Neither is right for everyone. Composite is less invasive and easier to repair, while porcelain resists staining and usually lasts longer. We will talk through the options with you.

Can I have bonding if my teeth are crooked?

Sometimes, but straightening first with clear aligners often gives a more natural result with less composite. We will discuss this at your consultation.

IMAGES, VIDEOS AND FURTHER READING

See it for yourself

Before and after photographs of Dr Kal's own work are in our smile gallery, and treatment videos are on our YouTube channel. These independent sources are also a good place to read more.

LUSSO composite bonding	Our page on composite bonding and packages.
LUSSO edge bonding	Our page on small edge additions to front teeth.
LUSSO smile gallery	Before and after images of bonding cases.
Bristol Dental School: composite build ups	An NHS teaching hospital patient leaflet explaining composite build ups and their care.
Oral Health Foundation: cosmetic treatment	Independent overview of cosmetic options, including bonding.

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