



Headgear







Headgear Therapy is used for one type of early correction. It consists of placing bands (metal rings) around the upper six-year molars to act as anchors into which the headgear fits!

This appliance is used in cases where the upper teeth or jaw are too far forward. The headgear slows the upper jaw in its forward growth and allows the lower jaw to catch up simply by developing at its natural rate during the period of early facial growth.

When headgear is required it must be worn for at least thirteen hours of the twenty-four hours. This is a very important part of the treatment - and your future smile depends on your efforts with this appliance.

INSTRUCTIONS

- Never wear the headgear during playful activity.
- Never let other people / children grab at the facebow.
- Before removing the facebow you must first remove the neckstrap
- If the neckstrap / facebow comes off at night or there are any other problems stop wearing the appliance, and return to see your orthodontist as soon as possible.
- In the rare and unlikely event that you suspect the neckstrap / facebow may have caused injury to the eye, then the eye should be examined without delay by your family doctor.