

ORTHODONTIC RETAINERS

- 1. Do not eat with the retainers in your mouth.
- Use a finger on each side of the retainer to remove (not doing this will break the retainers).
- 2. Full time wear for the first six months followed by night wear only for another six months.
- Then once or twice a week/fortnight for the rest of of your life (a new set of retainers will have to be made when the old ones break).
- 3. One set of retainers are inclusive of the orthodontic treatment. Each new retainer made due to breakage or wear costs \$130, therefore \$260 a set.
- 4. Whitening is for 14 days and remember to only use a little solution at a time.

Cleaning Your Retainers

- Rinse under water regularly
- Soak in a mixture of vinegar and cold water for about two hours once a week to remove all stains OR you can buy steri dent from a chemist to clean your retainers using the same method as vinegar and water by soaking.

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact the surgery.