§ 872.3530 Mechanical denture cleaner.

(a) Identification. A mechanical denture cleaner is a device, usually AC-powered, that consists of a container for mechanically agitating a denture cleansing solution. The device is intended to clean a denture by submersion in the agitating cleansing solution in the container.

(b) Classification. Class I (general controls). The device is exempt from the premarket notification procedures in subpart E of part 807 of this chapter subject to the limitations in §872.9.


§ 872.3540 OTC denture cushion or pad.

(a) Identification. An OTC denture cushion or pad is a prefabricated or noncustom made disposable device that is intended to improve the fit of a loose or uncomfortable denture, and may be available for purchase over-the-counter.

(b) Classification. (1) Class I if the device is made of wax-impregnated cotton cloth that the patient applies to the base or inner surface of a denture before inserting the denture into the mouth. The device is intended to be discarded following 1 day’s use. The class I device is exempt from the premarket notification procedures in subpart E of part 807 of this chapter subject to §872.9.

(2) Class II if the OTC denture cushion or pad is made of a material other than wax-impregnated cotton cloth or if the intended use of the device differs from that described in paragraph (b)(1) of this section. The special controls for this device are FDA’s:

(i) “Use of International Standard ISO 10993 ‘Biological Evaluation of Medical Devices—Part I: Evaluation and Testing,’” and

(ii) “OTC Denture Reliners, Repair Kits, and Partially Fabricated Denture Kits.”


§ 872.3550 OTC denture reliner.

(a) Identification. An OTC denture reliner is a device consisting of a material such as plastic resin that is intended to be applied as a permanent coating or lining on the base or tissue-contacting surface of a denture. The device is intended to replace a worn denture lining and may be available for purchase over the counter.

(b) Classification. Class II. The special controls for this device are FDA’s:

(1) “Use of International Standard ISO 10993 ‘Biological Evaluation of Medical Devices—Part I: Evaluation and Testing,’” and

(2) “OTC Denture Reliners, Repair Kits, and Partially Fabricated Denture Kits.”

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§ 872.3560 OTC denture repair kit.

(a) Identification. An OTC denture repair kit is a device consisting of a material, such as a resin monomer system of powder and liquid glues, that is intended to be applied permanently to a denture to mend cracks or breaks. The device may be available for purchase over-the-counter.

(b) Classification. Class II. The special controls for this device are FDA’s:

(1) “Use of International Standard ISO 10993 ‘Biological Evaluation of Medical Devices—Part I: Evaluation and Testing,’” and

(2) “OTC Denture Reliners, Repair Kits, and Partially Fabricated Denture Kits.”

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§ 872.3580 Preformed gold denture tooth.

(a) Identification. A preformed gold denture tooth is a device composed of austenitic alloys or alloys containing 75 percent or greater gold and metals of the platinum group intended for use as a tooth or a portion of a tooth in a fixed or removable partial denture.

(b) Classification. Class I (general controls). The device is exempt from the premarket notification procedures in subpart E of part 807 of this chapter subject to the limitations in §872.9.