§ 872.3661 Optical Impression Systems for CAD/CAM.

(a) Identification. An optical impression system for computer assisted design and manufacturing (CAD/CAM) is a device used to record the topographical characteristics of teeth, dental impressions, or stone models by analog or digital methods for use in the computer-assisted design and manufacturing of dental restorative prosthetic devices. Such systems may consist of a camera, scanner, or equivalent type of sensor and a computer with software.

(b) Classification. Class II (Special 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. The special control for these devices is the FDA guidance document entitled “Class II Special Controls Guidance Document: Optical Impression Systems for Computer Assisted Design and Manufacturing (CAD/CAM) of Dental Restorations; Guidance for Industry and FDA.” For the availability of this guidance document, see §872.1(e).

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§ 872.3670 Resin impression tray material.

(a) Identification. Resin impression tray material is a device intended for use in a two-step dental mold fabricating process. The device consists of a resin material, such as methyl methacrylate, and is used to form a custom impression tray for use in cases in which a preformed impression tray is not suitable, such as the fabrication of crowns, bridges, or full dentures. A preliminary plaster or stone model of the patient’s teeth and gums is made. The resin impression tray material is applied to this preliminary study model to form a custom tray. This tray is then filled with impression material and inserted into the patient’s mouth to make an impression, from which a final, more precise, model of the patient’s mouth is cast.

(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. If the device is not labeled or otherwise represented as sterile, it is exempt from the current good manufacturing practice requirements of the quality system regulation in part 820 of this chapter, with the exception of §820.180, with respect to general requirements concerning records, and §820.158, with respect to complaint files.


§ 872.3680 Polytetrafluoroethylene (PTFE) vitreous carbon materials.

(a) Identification. Polytetrafluoroethylene (PTFE) vitreous carbon material is a device composed of polytetrafluoroethylene (PTFE) vitreous carbon intended for use in maxillofacial alveolar ridge augmentation (building up the upper or lower jaw area that contains the sockets in which teeth are rooted) or intended to coat metal surgical implants to be placed in the alveoli (sockets in which the teeth are rooted) or the temporomandibular joints (the joint between the upper and lower jaws).

(b) Classification. Class II.

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§ 872.3690 Tooth shade resin material.

(a) Identification. Tooth shade resin material is a device composed of materials such as bisphenol-A glycidyl methacrylate (Bis-GMA) intended to restore carious lesions or structural defects in teeth.

(b) Classification. Class II.

§ 872.3700 Dental mercury.

(a) Identification. Dental mercury is a device composed of mercury intended for use as a component of amalgam alloy in the restoration of a dental cavity or a broken tooth.

(b) Classification. Class I.

§ 872.3710 Base metal alloy.

(a) Identification. A base metal alloy is a device composed primarily of base metals, such as nickel, chromium, or cobalt, that is intended for use in fabrication of cast or porcelain-fused-to-metal crown and bridge restorations.

(b) Classification. Class II (special controls). The special control for this
§ 872.3730 Pantograph.

(a) Identification. A pantograph is a device intended to be attached to a patient’s head to duplicate lower jaw movements to aid in construction of restorative and prosthetic dental devices. A marking pen is attached to the lower jaw component of the device and, as the patient’s mouth opens, the pen records on graph paper the angle between the upper and the lower jaw.

(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. If the device is not labeled or otherwise represented as sterile, it is exempt from the current good manufacturing practice requirements of the quality system regulation in part 820 of this chapter, with the exception of §820.180, with respect to general requirements concerning records, and §820.198, with respect to complaint files.

§ 872.3740 Retentive and splinting pin.

(a) Identification. A retentive and splinting pin is a device made of austenitic alloys or alloys containing 75 percent or greater gold and metals of the platinum group intended to be placed permanently in a tooth to provide retention and stabilization for a restoration, such as a crown, or to join two or more teeth together.

(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.

§ 872.3750 Bracket adhesive resin and tooth conditioner.

(a) Identification. A bracket adhesive resin and tooth conditioner is a device composed of an adhesive compound, such as polymethylmethacrylate, intended to cement an orthodontic bracket to a tooth surface.

(b) Classification. Class II.

§ 872.3760 Denture relining, repairing, or rebasing resin.

(a) Identification. A denture relining, repairing, or rebasing resin is a device composed of materials such as polymethylmethacrylate, intended to re-line a denture surface that contacts tissue, to repair a fractured denture, or to form a new denture base. This device is not available for over-the-counter (OTC) use.

(b) Classification. Class II.

§ 872.3765 Pit and fissure sealant and conditioner.

(a) Identification. A pit and fissure sealant and conditioner is a device composed of resin, such as polymethylmethacrylate, intended for use primarily in young children to seal pit and fissure depressions (faults in the enamel) in the biting surfaces of teeth to prevent cavities.

(b) Classification. Class II.

§ 872.3770 Temporary crown and bridge resin.

(a) Identification. A temporary crown and bridge resin is a device composed of a material, such as polymethylmethacrylate, intended to make a temporary prosthesis, such as a crown or bridge, for use until a permanent restoration is fabricated.

(b) Classification. Class II.

§ 872.3810 Root canal post.

(a) Identification. A root canal post is a device made of austenitic alloys or alloys containing 75 percent or greater gold and metals of the platinum group intended to be cemented into the root canal of a tooth to stabilize and support a restoration.

(b) Classification. Class I (general controls). The device is exempt from the premarket notification procedures in