DO I NEED A DENTAL LABORATORY REGISTRATION IN TEXAS?

The following chart will assist you in determining whether or not your dental laboratory is required to register with the Texas State Board of Dental Examiners (TSBDE).

1.a. My lab engages in the making, assembly, processing, production, repair, relining, or adjustment of a prosthetic or orthodontic dental appliance, a full or partial denture, a fixed or removable dental bridge, a dental plate of false teeth, an artificial restoration, or a substitute or corrective device for any part of the human teeth, gums, jaws, or alveolar process.	If you answered "no" to both 1.a. and 1.b., you do not need a dental lab registration. If you answered "yes" to either 1.a. or 1.b., continue to question 2.
OR	
1.b. My lab engages in the fitting of a dental appliance, a denture, a bridge, a plate, false teeth, an artificial restoration, or a substitute or corrective device for the human teeth, gums, or jaws to or on a dental model, impression, or cast of any part of the human teeth, gums, jaws, or alveolar process.	
I am a student enrolled in a program of a school of dentistry.	If you answered "yes", you do not need a dental lab registration.
	If you answered "no", continue to question 3.
3. I am a licensed dentist engaged in the practice of dentistry in this state who performs a dental laboratory service for compensation, or I am an employee of such a dentist or of the professional corporation or partnership in which the dentist is an officer, partner, or employee, and the service is performed for a patient of the dentist or of the professional corporation.	If you answered "yes", continue to question 4. If you answered "no", continue to question 5.
4. The dental laboratory services are performed for a patient of the dentist or of the professional corporation or partnership in which the dentist is an officer, partner, or employee and on the premises in which the dentist practices dentistry.	If you answered "yes", you are not required to hold a dental lab registration with the TSBDE. If you answered "no", you are required to hold a dental lab registration with the TSBDE.
5. I am a manufacturer of materials or component parts, used in the fabrication of a dental prosthetic appliance and for sale or use by a dental laboratory, that are not directly fitted to a dental model or case of the human teeth, gums, jaws, or alveolar process.	If you answered "yes", you are not required to hold a dental lab registration with the TSBDE. If you answered "no", you are required to hold a dental lab registration with the TSBDE.

Have Additional Questions

Questions regarding this chart should be directed to the Texas State Board of Dental Examiners Licensing Division at (512) 463-6400.