

NHS dental charges from 1 April 2026

The charge you pay depends on the treatment you need to keep your mouth, gums and teeth healthy. You will only ever be asked to pay one charge for each complete course of treatment, even if you need to visit your dentist more than once to finish it – either Band 1, Band 2 or Band 3.

If you are not exempt from charges, you should pay one of the following charges for each course of treatment you receive:

Band 1 course of treatment – £27.90

This covers an examination, diagnosis (eg X-rays), advice on how to prevent future problems, a scale and polish if needed and application of fluoride varnish. If you require urgent care, even if your urgent treatment needs more than one appointment to complete, you will only need to pay one Band 1 charge.

Band 2 course of treatment – £76.60

This covers everything listed in Band 1 above, plus any further treatment such as fillings, root canal work or if your dentist needs to take out one or more of your teeth.

Band 3 course of treatment – £332.10

This covers everything listed in Bands 1 and 2 above, plus crowns, dentures and bridges.

Exemption from NHS dental patient charges and help with health costs

You may be eligible for help with all or part of the costs of your NHS dental treatment. To see if this applies to you use the “Check before you tick” website at <https://check-for-help-paying-nhs-costs.nhsbsa.nhs.uk/start>

For further information on NHS dental services and dental charges, visit <https://www.nhs.uk/nhs-services/dentists/how-much-nhs-dental-treatment-costs/> or you can scan the QR code below.

For further information and advice for patients, please visit NHSBSA Dental Services Online: <https://www.nhsbsa.nhs.uk/information-patients> Please note that the patient is responsible for the accuracy of their claim to NHS dental patient charge exemptions or help with health costs, **not** the dental practice.

