

Orthodontic Problems & Solutions

Loose Band or Bracket – If the band or bracket are still attached to the wire, leave it in place. If it is uncomfortable, place wax on it. If it comes out completely, wrap brace or bracket in tissue.

Loose Wire – Try to place the wire back in place with tweezers. If that is not possible, clip the wire with fingernail clippers behind the last tooth to which it is securely fastened. If any discomfort is present, place wax on it.

Poking Wire – Try to push the sticking wire down with a spoon or eraser. If it's not possible, place wax on it.

Lost tie, either elastic or wired – Notify us at your next appointment.

Soreness – Use warm saltwater rinses and/or Acetaminophen or Ibuprofen.

Headgear Doesn't Fit – If the facebow is bent or you're unable to wear it contact the office on our next business day and we will see you to adjust it.

Loose Appliance – If the appliance is sticking or poking place wax on it. On our next business day contact us to make an appointment so we can evaluate the appliance.

If you think you are unable to handle a problem on your own, please call us to assist you.