



# What is Dental Implants by Coast Dental Singapore

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Do you have any missing teeth? If you have one or more missing teeth, it will not only affect your appearance but could also affect other healthy teeth as a result of the biting forces being spread over a lesser number of teeth. This can lead to cracking or fracture of other teeth resulting in further tooth loss.

When gaps are present from tooth loss, shifting of the surrounding teeth can also occur. This makes it harder to maintain good oral hygiene leading to a greater risk of having tooth decay and gum disease.

There are three main teeth replacement options. 1) [Dental Implants](#), Bridges or Dentures. This article will focus on the Implant option.

## **What is a Dental Implant?**

Dental implants are a fixed, permanent, long-term solution to replace missing teeth. They are the most functional tooth replacement option and will look, feel and perform just like a natural tooth.

A [dental implant](#) is an artificial tooth root that is securely placed into the jawbone and replaces the root of a missing natural tooth. A dental crown (artificial tooth) is then attached to the top of the implant to fill the gap of the missing tooth.

## **Who is eligible for dental implants?**

People who have lost one or more teeth as a result of an accident, gum disease or tooth decay can consider implant options. Dental implants are usually done for people above 18 years of age.

The jaw bone starts shrinking soon after the tooth is lost. When too much bone is lost the implant procedure becomes more challenging as additional procedures such as bone grafting need to be carried out to artificially increase the amount of available bone.

It is therefore advisable to not wait too long before replacing the missing tooth with an implant. Good oral health conditions have to be established before placing an implant, so it is best to get a full check-up done by the dentist beforehand.

Make an appointment with us to find out if you are eligible for a dental implant. Are you looking for a [Dental Clinic in Singapore](#) you can call us at +65 64404605 or email us at [info@coastdental.com.sg](mailto:info@coastdental.com.sg) for a no-obligation consultation to go through each option in detail to make a fully informed decision.

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