

Screw-retained vs cement-retained restorations

Benefits and Features	Screw-Retained	Cement-Retained
Retrievability	Retrievable but trickier as the cement strength increases which will potentially damage the restoration	Not retrievable
Esthetics	Not recommended for anteriors	Highly esthetic
Alignment	Does not correct misalignment	Correction of misaligned implant
Other factors	Good retention at minimal occlusal height	Not recommended at minimal occlusal height
Expense	Lower laboratory fees, make it more cost effective	Higher laboratory fees make it more expensive
Cementation	Does not need cementation chairside	Requires cementation chairside
Overall Pros	Restorations offer predictable retrievability and are easily removed for maintenance.	Ability to compensate for incorrect inclined implants, and an easily achievable passive fit
Overall Cons	Less esthetic and slightly weaker	The difficulty of removing excess cement, which increases the risk of peri-implant disease

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