

# Direct Observation of Procedural Skills (Surgical DOPS)

## Trainer/Trainee Guidance Points

These guidance points are to be used in conjunction with point 6 ('performs the technical aspects in line with the guidance notes') on the main Surgical DOPS form. A mark should not be given for each of these points – they should instead be used to inform the mark to be given for point 6.

**Specialty:** Orthodontics

**Procedure:** Interproximal enamel reduction

### Steps to be performed

1. Explains to the patient what is going to happen at that appointment
2. Ensures appropriate instruments and materials are readily available
3. Appropriate planning to include a) site selection (shape of tooth), b) quantity of reduction, c) selection of IPR instrument and explain choices to assessor
4. Ensure soft tissue retraction and protection
5. Demonstrates appropriate reduction
6. Demonstrates appropriate contouring
7. Demonstrates appropriate polishing
8. Ensures follow up instructions are provided to the patient
9. Ensures clinical records are completed correctly and follow-up is arranged
10. Ensures appropriate cross-infection techniques observed throughout the entire observed period
11. Demonstrates high standards of professionalism throughout the entire observed period
12. Demonstrates good communication (including instructions when required) throughout the entire observed period
13. Ensures safe clinical practice throughout the entire observed period