

User Guide



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 NOTE: The most-up-to-date User Guide for the NextDent 5100 can be found at <http://support.3dsystems.com/nextdent-5100>.

Introduction

Thank you for purchasing the NextDent 5100 3D Printer.

The **NextDent 5100 Printer** is a flexible and efficient projector-based 3D-printing system that produces high-fidelity parts from a broad range of biocompatible materials. The NextDent 5100 Printer uses a digital-projection light source and a special membrane-based resin tray that enables very high print speeds and new material chemistries that provide production-grade properties. It is intended to be used as a three-dimensional output device to create (or to communicate design intent of) durable, end-use parts. Parts produced can be used in all phases of design, from a concept build to functional testing and end-use parts. The NextDent 5100 Printer is the ideal printer for dental applications using NextDent resins: Surgical Guide, Crown & Bridge MFH, Ortho IBT, Denture 3D+, Ortho Rigid, Model 2.0, Tray, Gingiva Mask, Cast, and Try-In.

These parts are generated in the rapid prototyping (RP) environment under the control of the printer operators. The system must be run by dental technicians who are trained in proper usage of the printer and resins. All design and process considerations are compatible with an RP environment. The three-dimensional solid parts that are printed consist of different print materials that cure when exposed to 405 nm radiation. The operator pours print material, also called "resin," into the **resin tray**. Using a proprietary digital projector that 3D Systems has developed, a radiation pattern is cast onto the underside of the resin tray and through to the bottom of the resin. This radiation causes a phase change in the resin that converts it into a solid polymer, adhering to the **print platform**. After a layer has cured, the elevator moves the print platform up by one layer length and the radiation pattern for the next layer is projected. This process repeats, layer by layer, until the build file is complete. The print platform, along with the part, is removed from the printer and the part is cleaned and post-cured to provide a finished part.

This manual provides users with an understanding of features, system requirements, and operating procedures needed to create finished parts using the NextDent 5100 Printer.

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Safety



CAUTION: IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS – READ AND FOLLOW THESE INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE OPERATING NextDent 5100 PRINTER.

Introduction

You must read all manufacturer documentation before operating the NextDent 5100 Printer. Also, anyone assisting you must have also read the documentation. After reading all the manuals, always follow the safety guidelines and procedures in this section when operating the NextDent 5100 Printer.

Customer Safety Program

Before using the NextDent 5100 Printer, customers must have a safety program in place. The safety program should do the following:

- Label and point out hazardous equipment, materials, and procedures.
- Explain what to do in an emergency situation.
- Provide information about the hazards of equipment and materials in the form of Safety Data Sheets (SDS). The SDSs are provided with all print materials supplied by NextDent.

The information in this chapter supplements the customer's existing safety program. It points out safety considerations that specifically concern the NextDent 5100 Printer.

Levels of User



WARNING: DO NOT ATTEMPT TO PERFORM ANY PROCEDURES DESCRIBED IN THIS MANUAL UNLESS YOU HAVE READ THROUGH THE ENTIRE MANUAL FIRST.

There are two levels of users of the NextDent 5100 Printer, based on the amount and type of training the user has received. The two levels of users (operators and certified service personnel), are described below.

Operator

Operators are those who have read this User Guide and can perform all the necessary tasks to build a part. The operator may also perform simple maintenance procedures as outlined in this manual.

Certified Service Personnel

Certified service personnel are those who have completed the 3D Systems service training package, and are certified to perform service tasks on the NextDent 5100 Printer. Certification may occur at various levels, and certified service personnel should only perform tasks they are authorized and certified to complete.

Safety Design Features in the NextDent 5100 Printer

The following design features are provided to reduce potentially hazardous operating conditions:



WARNING: IF ANY OF THE FOLLOWING SAFETY FEATURES FAILS, YOUR ACTIONS MAY BE ALL THAT WILL PREVENT POTENTIALLY HAZARDOUS OPERATING CONDITIONS.

- The design of the radiation-delivery system is intended to prevent radiation from being aimed outside the area of the build chamber.
- The NextDent 5100 Printer has been evaluated to IEC 62471 and the internal UV light source classified as 'Risk Group 2' and does not pose a hazard due to aversion response to bright light or thermal discomfort. UV emitted from this product. Eye irritation may result from exposure. Use appropriate shielding.

Safety Symbols and Definitions

The following are safety symbols that are common to 3D Systems guides. Some or all of these symbols may appear in this guide and/or in other NextDent 5100 documentation.



CAUTION: INDICATES THE POSSIBILITY OF LOSS OF DATA OR DAMAGE TO EQUIPMENT.



WARNING: INDICATES THE POSSIBILITY OF INJURY TO PERSONNEL.



HARMFUL IRRITANT WARNING: INDICATES THAT SKIN OR EYE IRRITATION COULD RESULT WHILE EXPOSED TO A CHEMICAL COMPOSITION



EYE PROTECTION: INDICATES THE NEED FOR EYE PROTECTION.



WEAR GLOVES: WEAR THE APPROPRIATE GLOVES WHEN REQUIRED. FOR EXAMPLE, WHEN TOUCHING SURFACES THAT MAY CONTAIN OR HAVE BEEN EXPOSED TO MATERIALS, WEAR NITRILE GLOVES. HEAT GLOVES ARE NECESSARY WHEN TOUCHING SURFACES THAT MAY BE HOT TO ENSURE BURNS DON'T OCCUR.



HOT SURFACE HAZARD: A HOT SURFACE IS ACCESSIBLE IN THE VICINITY OF THIS SIGN OR BEHIND THE ACCESS PANEL. AVOID CONTACT. HOT SURFACES CAN CAUSE BURN INJURY OR FIRE. ALLOW SURFACE TO COOL BEFORE TOUCHING. ACCESS PANELS ARE FOR SERVICE ONLY AND SHOULD BE OPENED ONLY BY CERTIFIED SERVICE PERSONNEL OR TRAINED MAINTENANCE PERSONNEL.



ULTRAVIOLET RADIATION: INDICATES THAT UV RADIATION IS PRESENT.



NOTE: A note signifies important information but not information of a critical content.

Alarms and Warnings

If you see an error message on the NextDent 5100 Printer's touch screen, fix the issue to clear the error message before resuming operation.

Environmental Safety

The following are environmental issues concerning the NextDent 5100 Printer:

- Controlling waste heat is not required for normal operation of the NextDent 5100 Printer.
- When you dispose of print materials, refer to the SDS for that material and follow any applicable local, state, and federal regulations.
- All waste products (spilled print material, cleaning solvents, etc.) must be disposed of in accordance with all applicable local, state, and federal regulations.
- Do not clean anything with uncured resin on it in a sink or tub that drains into normal wastewater.

Safety Switches

There are three safety switches on the printer, located on: the lid, the front door, and the catch tray. Tripping or defeating any of these switches will abort the current print job and freeze the elevator. The next time you send a job to the printer, the elevator will move back to the home position before printing. Please see the section [Abort a Print Job](#) for more information.

Material Handling and Safety



NOTE: For complete safety information and instructions for use, please read the SDS and Instructions for Use for the NextDent resin you are using. These documents are packaged in with each bottle of print material.



HARMFUL IRRITANT WARNING: ALWAYS WEAR CHEMICAL-RESISTANT GLOVES (SUCH AS NITRILE GLOVES), GOGGLES, AND PROTECTIVE CLOTHING WHEN HANDLING PRINT MATERIAL. AVOID SKIN CONTACT. AVOID BREATHING IN PRINT MATERIAL FUMES.

- Always practice standard dental-lab hygiene and follow Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) requirements outlined in this manual.
-   Always wear chemical-resistant gloves, such as nitrile, when working near print materials or with partially cured parts. It is recommended to wear approved goggles and protective clothing. Protective clothing includes, but is not limited to: closed-toed shoes, full-length pants, and splash-resistant lab coats or equivalents. 3D Systems recommends using 100% nitrile gloves; however, other chemical-resistant gloves will suffice. Do NOT use latex gloves, as they do not provide complete chemical protection.
- Wearing contact lenses when working with print materials is not recommended.
- Avoid breathing in vapors from print material. To avoid breathing in vapors: when opening the build chamber, allow a few seconds to pass before putting your face near the opening. No special facility and/or ventilation modifications should be required to operate the printer in a lab environment.
- Always wash skin thoroughly with a nonabrasive soap and COLD water after working with print materials. DO NOT USE HOT WATER OR SOLVENTS to wash hands, as these will stimulate your pores and result in absorption through the skin. Print material is sensitizing and can cause bad allergic reactions if absorbed through

the skin. A person who becomes sensitized to print material should not work around that material in the future.

- If a small amount of resin gets on your clothing, remove the article of clothing as soon as possible (it might be a good idea to have a change of clothes on hand just in case). Have contaminated clothing dry cleaned. DO NOT wash in regular washing machine that drains into wastewater. If a particularly large amount of resin gets on your clothes, it is best to discard them according to all local, state, and federal regulations. Keep contaminated clothing away from food and drinks. Wash hands thoroughly after handling contaminated clothes, even if you wore protective clothing/gloves to handle them.
- Use extreme care when handling >90% alcohol solvent, which is used to remove excess print material from uncured parts. >90% alcohol solvent is very flammable.
- Keep all print materials away from heat, sparks, static discharge, and flame. Print material containers may rupture when exposed to extreme heat. We recommend storing your NextDent materials in a fire-resistant storage cabinet. Please refer to the SDS for a particular resin to view its flash point.
- High temperatures may cause a spontaneous polymerizing reaction, generating heat and pressure. Closed containers may rupture or explode during a runaway polymerization. Use a water spray or fog to reduce or direct vapors.
- Fire fighters should use a self-contained breathing apparatus and full protective clothing in the event of a resin fire.
- Do not leave uncured, or liquid, resins in an area where persons who are not knowledgeable about their handling or use may have access to them.
- Keep away from food and drinks.



WARNING: USE NATIONAL FIRE PROTECTION ASSOCIATION CLASS B EXTINGUISHERS SUCH AS CARBON DIOXIDE, DRY CHEMICAL, OR FOAM. A SPRAY OF WATER MIGHT ALSO BE EFFECTIVE. DO NOT USE A DIRECT JET OF WATER OR SMOTHERING TO EXTINGUISH BURNING RESIN OR SOLVENTS.

Print Material Characteristics

The photopolymers used in the print materials may be hazardous if handled improperly. Repeated skin contact with print materials may cause sensitization. Consult the manufacturer's Safety Data Sheet (SDS) for information on specific print materials. For further information on this and related topics, consult the [3D Systems Materials website](#).



WARNING: NEVER MIX DIFFERENT PRINT MATERIALS. DOING SO WILL RENDER BOTH MATERIALS INEFFECTIVE.

NextDent Material Storage

Print materials should be stored in the opaque, non-reactive containers in which they were provided, according to the guidelines given in the SDS included with the print material, and according to all applicable regulations (local, state, and federal). Protect print material from sunlight, ambient light, and moisture. Close the resin bottle after each use. Be sure your resin-storage area is dry, dark, and between 5°C-30°C (41°F-86°F). It is preferable to store the resin in a fireproof cabinet. Improperly stored resins may increase in viscosity, and may eventually result in a gelled, polymerized product in the storage container. Materials should be stored in conformance with applicable laws and regulations. The expiration date of the product is mentioned on the product label. If resin is past its expiration date, the product is no longer guaranteed in terms of treatment. 3D Systems is not responsible for losses incurred as the result of improper storage of print material.

Print Material Disposal

Do not dump print material down any drains. Dispose of print material according to the guidelines given in the SDS included with the print material and according to all applicable regulations (local, state, and federal). For more information on print-material disposal, please see the section [Considerations for Material](#) in the **Chapter: Facility Requirements**.

Print-Material Spill Containment

A major print-material spill is unlikely during normal use of the NextDent 5100 Printer. However, there may be certain situations that require containment of a major resin spill. Your company has the responsibility to define what constitutes a major spill. Clean up spilled print material as quickly as possible, as material will cure under both natural and artificial lighting. Personnel who are involved in cleaning up major spills of print material should wear NIOSH/MSHA approved respirators designed for use with organic chemical vapors. In addition, each person should wear protective goggles, rubber boots, and 100% nitrile gloves to minimize exposure to print material, which can cause eye, skin, and respiratory irritation, as well as possible skin allergies and respiratory reactions.



WARNING: UNTRAINED PERSONNEL SHOULD BE EVACUATED FROM THE AREA.



WARNING: PRINT MATERIALS ARE FLAMMABLE. CARE SHOULD BE TAKEN DURING PRINT MATERIAL CONTAINMENT AND CLEANUP OPERATIONS.

A supply of dikes and control booms should be stocked so they are available to contain the affected area in the event of a major print-material spill. The spilled print material should then be absorbed on inert, absorbent material and placed into drums for transfer to an approved waste-disposal site. After absorbing all spilled material, clean the spill location with a nonabrasive cloth and >90% alcohol solvent. After cleaning up the spill, individuals should wash thoroughly with soap and COLD water. Any clothing touched by resin should be dry cleaned before reuse. If resin has gotten onto your skin or clothes, avoid exposure to sunlight or other UV-light sources until skin and clothing have been cleaned of print material. Repeated or prolonged skin contact may cause sensitization. Vapor may be harmful.

Eliminate sources of ignition. Prevent entry into drains. Absorb spilled resin onto sand, earth or any other suitable adsorbent material. DO NOT absorb onto sawdust or other combustible materials. Resin spills or uncontrolled discharges into wastewater systems must be reported to the appropriate regulatory body. Do not discard resin into drains/surface waters/groundwater. Maximize ventilation after accidental release.

Shelf Life

Print materials are certified for use for 24 months from their date of manufacture. The expiration dates are marked on the material bottle labels. Resins should not be used past their expiration date. The printer will not accept the scan of a resin bottle that is expired.

In-Service Life

In-service life of the print material is defined as the useful life of the material after having been poured into the NextDent 5100's resin tray. The in-service life of print material greatly varies depending on material type, usage and environmental conditions. If the material is exposed to temperatures outside of the normal operating limits, is exposed to UV light, is exposed to particulates or vapors in the air such as dust or fumes, or if contaminants are introduced such as partially cured platforms being placed back into the resin tray, this will shorten the material's in-service life. The types of patterns and builds performed also affect the in-service life of the material. With all this taken into consideration, the in-service life of the material is the same as its expiration date: two years. The material retains its usefulness until a buildup of viscosity or a change in reactivity prevents further processing in the NextDent 5100 Printer. All materials require some level of stirring or spinning to retain their properties. You must NOT mix resin from an old resin bottle with resin from a new resin bottle. These resins will be from different batches; and mixing them could render both ineffective. Follow the Instructions for Use of the specific material you are using for complete instructions on getting the most use out of it.

Contamination

Care should be taken when cleaning windows, panels, and other parts of the NextDent 5100 Printer. Cleaning products that contain ammonia should not be used because they can contaminate the material. Instead, use a small amount of >90% alcohol solvent on a paper towel to clean up spills. Accidental contamination of resins may change the material's performance characteristics to such an extent that acceptable parts can no longer be reliably created.

Polymerization

Polymerization may occur upon heating the resin bottle. Signs of polymerization of stored resin include container bulging, leaking, the emission of heat, or an unusual odor from the container. If you notice any of these traits, do not use the material and dispose of it according to all local, state, and federal regulations.



WARNING: SEALED CONTAINER MAY RUPTURE IF EXPLOSIVELY HOT. PLEASE SEE THE RESIN'S SDS FOR INFORMATION ON ITS FLASH POINT.

Electrical Safety

Do not remove any panels or other parts of the printer casing. The printer was designed to minimize operator exposure to electrical hazards during normal operations. All exposed electrical circuits are contained within limited-access cabinets. This is to separate the operator from service and maintenance areas. 100-240VAC power is present in multiple locations throughout the unit. Whenever performing maintenance procedures, power down the machine and unplug AC power if possible.

Emergency Shutdown



NOTE: The NextDent 5100 Printer does NOT have an Emergency Stop button. The only way to stop printer operation during an emergency is by unplugging the power cord from the power inlet on the printer.



First Aid and Protective Equipment

The following paragraphs provide general first-aid procedures and recommendations for protective equipment to minimize the risks from print material exposure. If professional medical attention is necessary, take the Safety Data Sheet (SDS) for the exact print material involved to the attending physician.

Skin Contact

NextDent resin may cause sensitization by skin contact. It is irritating to the skin; repeated and/or prolonged contact may cause dermatitis. Wear 100% nitrile gloves and lab coats to avoid skin contact. Should print material come in contact with skin, wash thoroughly with soap and **COLD** water and immediately remove contaminated clothing and shoes. If skin is irritated, get medical attention. Dry-clean contaminated clothing. Discard contaminated shoes and leather products.



Eye Contact

High vapor concentration may cause irritation. Safety goggles should be worn to prevent accidental splashes of print material into the eyes. If print material comes in contact with the eye, flush immediately with large amounts of **COLD** water for 15 minutes. Avoid sunlight, fluorescent light, and other ultraviolet light, and obtain immediate medical attention. Eye-wash facilities and a first-aid kit should be readily available and close to the print material.



Contact Lenses

If print material splashes into the eye when contact lenses are worn, flush the eye with water immediately. Verify that flushing has removed the contact lens from the eye. Protect eyes from light and obtain immediate medical attention. Discard contact lenses that come into contact with liquid print material.

Fume Inhalation

Inhaling fumes from NextDent resin is irritating to the respiratory system. High atmospheric concentrations may lead to irritation of the respiratory tract, dizziness, headache and anesthetic effects. Do not operate the NextDent 5100 Printer without its carbon filter in place. Normal operation of the printer with filter in place should not emit fumes. However, if a person should inhale printer fumes, bring the exposed person to fresh air. Perform CPR if required. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen and obtain immediate medical attention for the person.

Ingestion

Do not induce vomiting. Never induce vomiting or give anything by mouth if the victim is unconscious or having convulsions. Immediately rinse mouth and drink plenty of water. Get medical attention.

Safety Notice



CAUTION: Use of controls or adjustments, or performance of procedures other than those contained in any official manual for this machine, may result in hazardous radiation exposure.



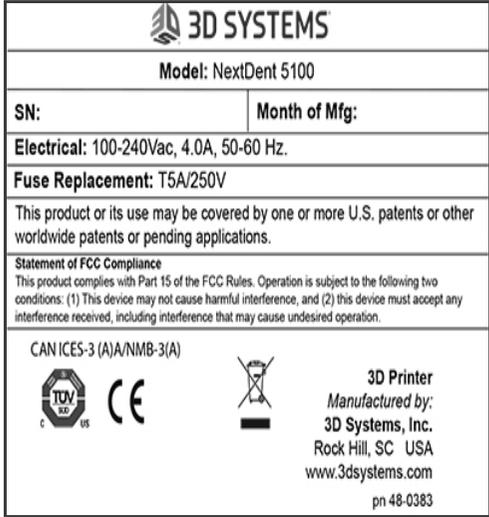
NOTE: Closed light-projection products are not considered to be hazardous.

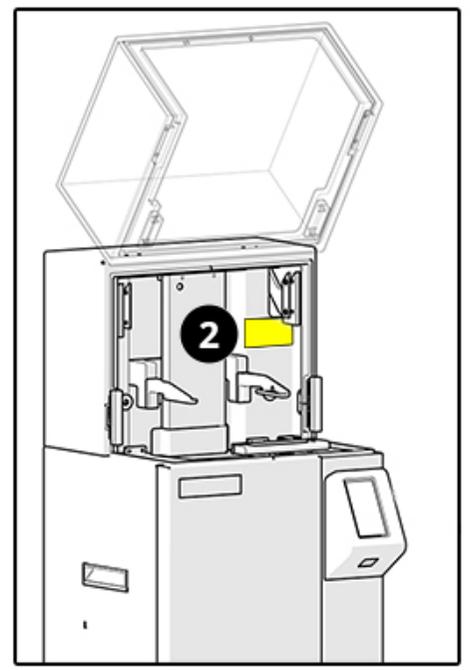
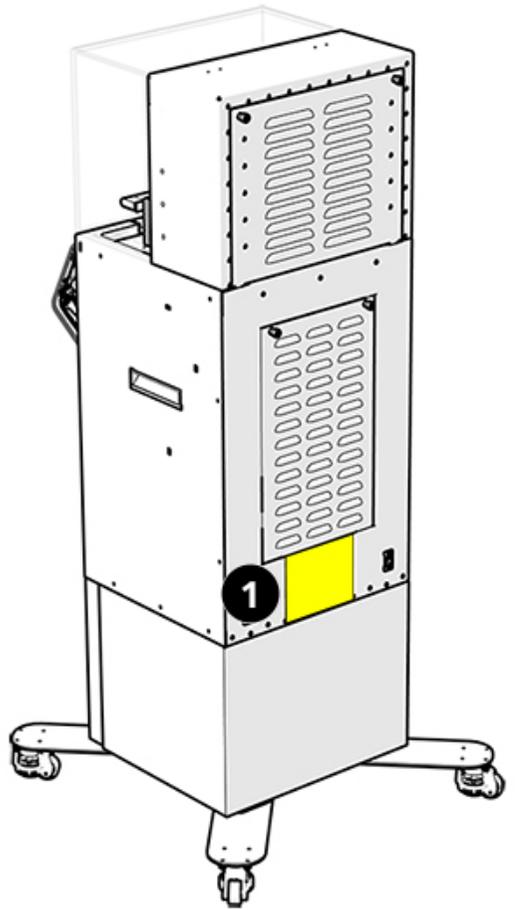
The NextDent 5100 printer incorporates a protective housing and radiation-protective lid, such that there is no exposure or human access to the radiation generated by the light projector during normal operation. The print engine was evaluated to IEC 62471 and classified as Risk Group 2. This means the UV light is only a moderate risk and does not pose a hazard due to aversion response to bright light or thermal discomfort. However, it is still good practice not to stare directly into the projector, particularly when running the machine with an empty resin tray.

All service to the light-projection process machine, the embedded light-projection system, and other components requiring sensor override shall only be performed by 3D Systems Corporation service personnel, their authorized agents, or personnel who have been service trained by 3D Systems Corporation.

Product Labels

The numbers in **Item** column below correspond to the numbers in the images that follow.

Item	Description	Qty	Label
1	Product Label - Contains system information and certification symbols	1	
2	<p>Optical-Radiation Warning Sticker</p> <p>Risk Group 2 - Possible hazardous optical radiation emitted from the product. Do not stare at operating lamp. May be harmful to the eyes.</p>	1	



Overview

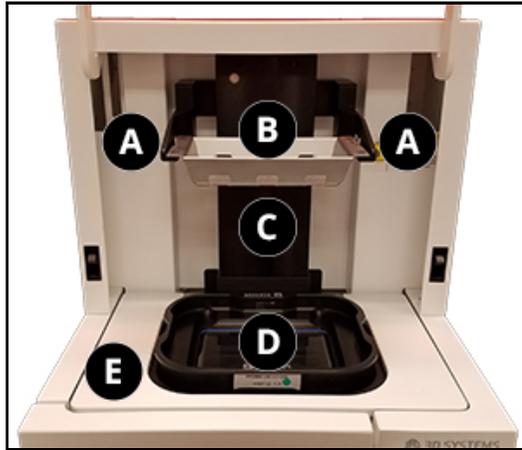
NextDent 5100 Printer Components



- A Upper Build Chamber** - Contains the elevator, elevator arms, resin tray, and print platform
- B Lower Build Chamber** - Contains the projector, controller computer, and other components. The operator does not have access to view inside this area, except to remove/replace the catch tray.

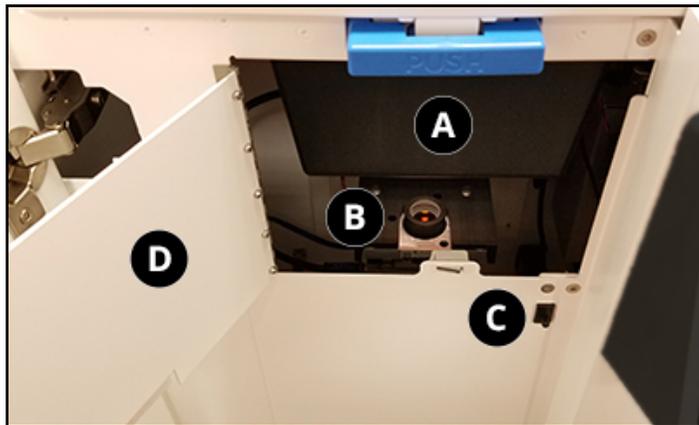
The NextDent 5100 Printer is only one component of the complete system. Many accessories and other components make up an NextDent Printer facility. The following sections describe these accessories and components.

Upper Build Chamber



- A Elevator Arms** - Hold the print platform during part building
- B Print Platform** - The platform on which the printed part attaches during printing
- C Elevator** - The elevator moves the print platform up and down during a build. It also dictates the size of a printed part in the Z axis.
- D Resin Tray** - Holds the resin during the print process.
- E Tension Arm** - Lowering this onto the resin tray tensions the resin-tray film.

Lower Build Chamber



- A Catch Tray** - Catches resin that might spill over the resin tray, as well as resin that spills through the resin-tray membrane if it gets punctured.
- B Projector Lens** - Radiation is projected through this lens to the bottom layer of print material
- C Door Closed Sensor** - Senses whether or not the lower-chamber door is closed
- D Catch Tray Access Door** - Open this door to remove/replace the catch tray and to remove dust from the projector lens.



WARNING: THE OPERATOR DOES NOT HAVE ACCESS TO THE COMPONENTS OF THE LOWER CHAMBER BEYOND WHAT IS OUTLINED ON THIS PAGE. DO NOT REMOVE THE PLATE COVERING THIS CHAMBER. IT IS ONLY TO BE ACCESSED BY 3D SYSTEMS SERVICE PERSONNEL.

Touch Screen and QR-Code Scanner



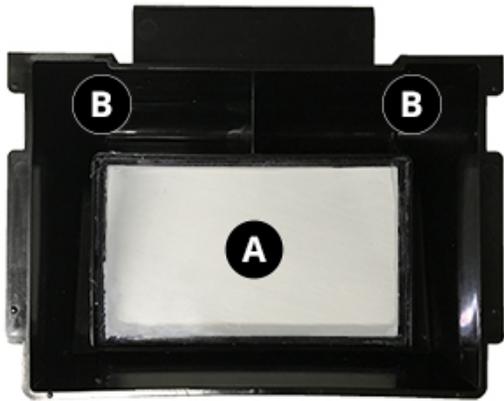
- A Touch Screen** - used to control the actions of the printer and adjust printer settings
- B QR-Code Scanner** - used to scan QR codes on bottles of print material for use in the printer

Catch Tray

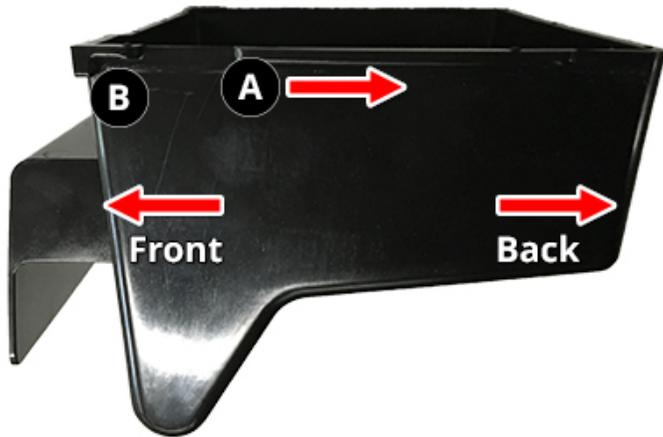


- A Catch Tray** - Protects the bottom of the print engine from print material spills. Please note that you will receive a new catch tray with each resin tray ordered.
- B Catch-Tray Rails** - Guide catch tray into position and hold it in place. There is a sensor on the right rail that ensures the catch tray is fully seated. If the catch tray is not fully seated, the printer will not allow you to print. If you are printing and the catch tray becomes unseated, this will abort the print job.

Catch tray, front



Catch tray, top



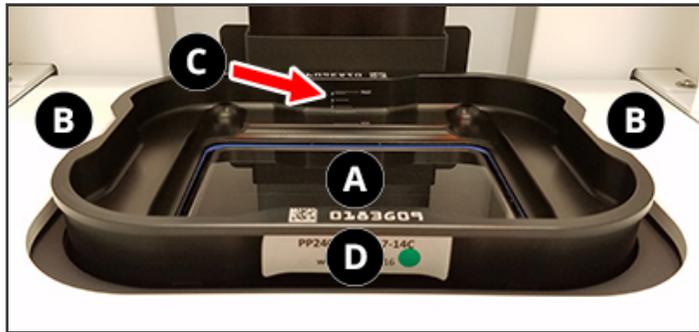
Catch tray, side

- A Catch-Tray Glass** - Allows UV radiation to pass through the catch tray to the bottom layer of print material.
- B Collection Areas** - The catch tray is designed such that any resin spilled over it will be channeled into these areas.

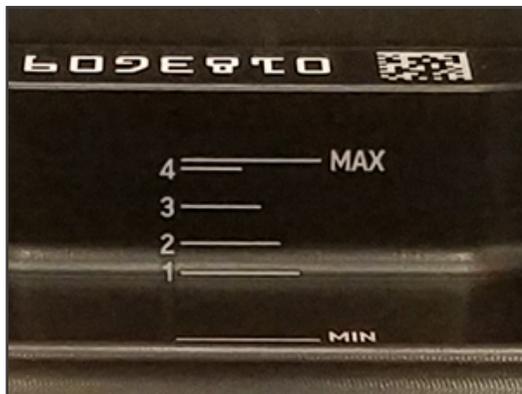
- A Catch-Tray Rail Catch** - Allows the catch tray to ride along the catch tray rails on the underside of the printer chassis
- B Catch-Tray Slider Stop** - This allows the catch tray to stop moving forward when the tray has reached its rear limit during installation.

Resin Tray

You will hand-pour resin into the resin tray before printing. The NextDent 5100 Printer works with all NextDent™ print materials, allowing the printer to work for many different dental applications. The NextDent 5100 Printer comes with one resin tray per machine purchased. Purchasing multiple resin trays gives the user the ability to easily print with two different materials on one machine. The more resin trays you have, the more materials you can print with. If the resin tray is sufficiently cleaned in between builds, it is also possible to use a different print material in the same resin tray. However, not every resin can share the same tray, even if the resin tray is cleaned. Please see the section [Resin Tray Material Cross-Usage](#) for more information. Determine the number of resin trays you will require.



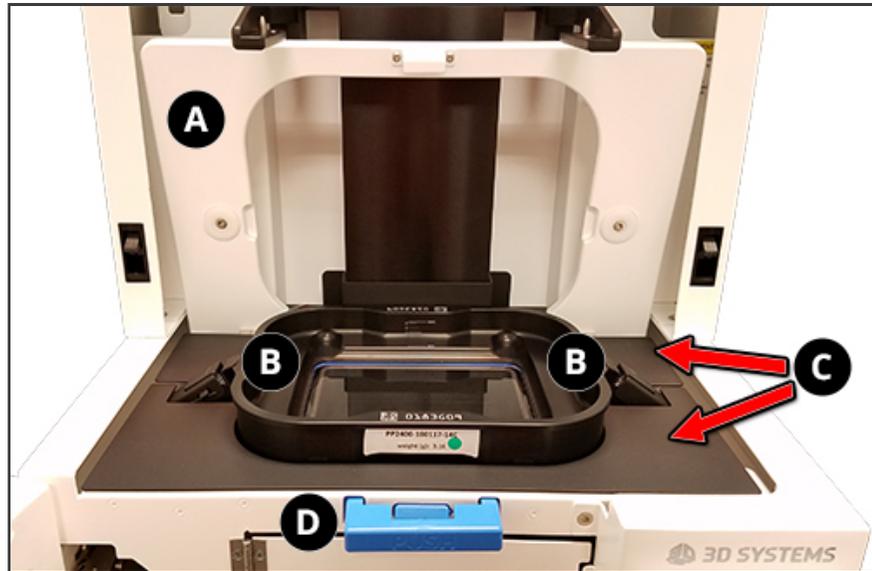
- A Transparent Membrane** - This proprietary membrane creates a layer of oxygen in between the membrane and the bottom of the print material. This feature ensures that print material does not cure on the membrane under normal building conditions.
- B Tension Slots** - The resin-tray tension arm fastens over these slots.
- C Material Fill Levels** - These graduated markings represent four different levels to which you can fill the resin tray.
- D QR Code/Serial Number** - The QR Code has the serial number embedded in its pattern. These give the resin tray a unique identification that can be read by a QR-code scanner.



Close up on material fill steps. Notice there is also an identical QR Code/Serial Number on the back of the tray.

Tension System

The resin-tray membrane must remain taut throughout the printing process. The NextDent 5100 achieves this with a tension arm that lowers down over the resin tray, as well as with two tension clips. This system also locks the resin tray in place during printing.



- A** **Tension Arm** - pushes down the tension clamps and locks resin tray into place
- B** **Tension Clamps** - spring-loaded mechanisms that tension the resin tray when engaged
- C** **Vanity Plates** - these plates cover the printer chassis around the tension clamps
- D** **Tension-Arm Release Lever** - Push this button in to release the tension arm and disengage the tension clamps.

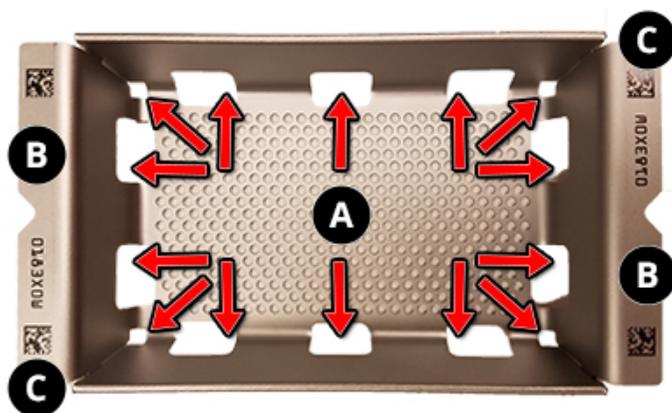
Resin-Tray Garage

The resin-tray garage can be used to store a resin tray with resin outside the machine, keeping UV light and contaminants out. The lid can also be used to cover the resin tray while in the machine.



WEAR GLOVES: DUE TO THE POSSIBILITY OF RESIN BEING ON THE THE RESIN-TRAY GARAGE, WEAR 100% NITRILE GLOVES WHENEVER HANDLING IT, EVEN IF IT APPEARS CLEAN.

Print Platform



A

Print Surface - Faces downward when printing. The printed part adheres to the holes in the print surface on the underside of the platform.

B

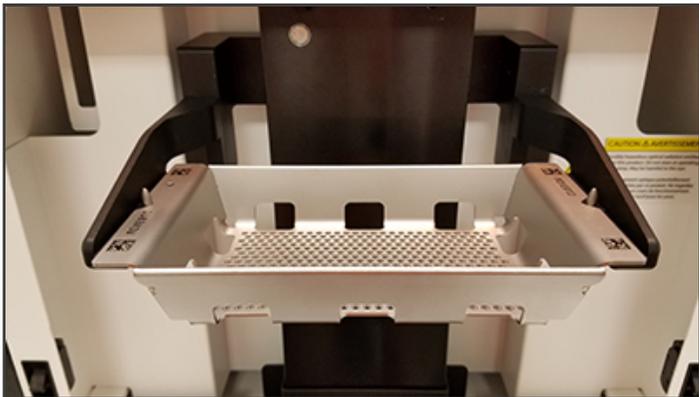
Elevator Guides - The flat surface of the guides stick to the magnetic surface of the print engine's elevator arms. The triangular grooves fit over the conical pins on the elevator arms.

C

QR Code/Serial Number - The QR Code has the serial number embedded in its pattern. These give the print platform a unique identification that can be read by a QR-code scanner.



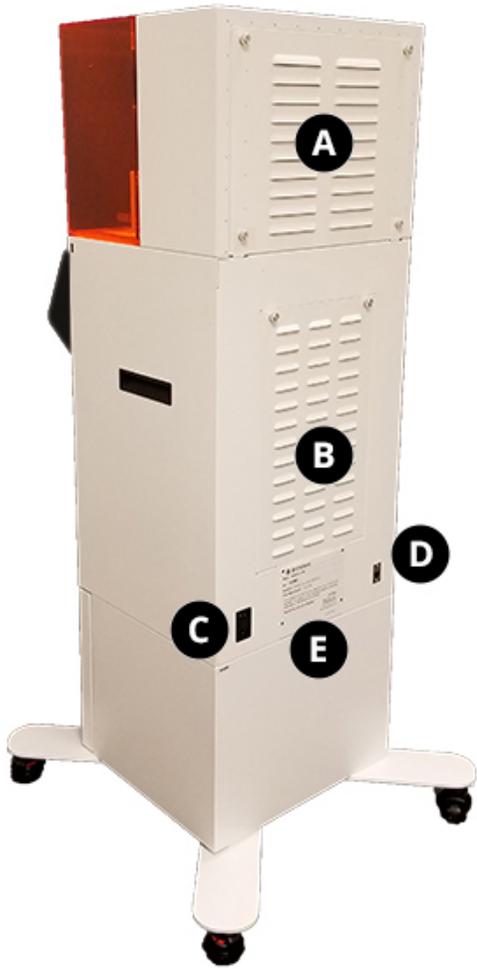
Resin Drainage Holes - Prevent resin from settling on the top of the print platform



Print platform properly seated in machine

Back of Printer

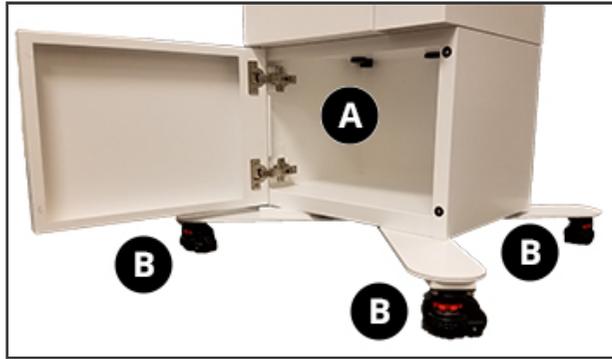
- A Carbon Filter Bracket** - Holds the carbon filter that minimizes fumes coming out of the printer
- B Air Filter Bracket** - Filters the air being pulled in by the cooling fan
- C Power Inlet** - Plug the female end of the printer's power cable into this inlet
- D Ethernet Port** - Plug the supplied Ethernet cable into this port
- E Product Label** - Provides system information for the printer



Pedestal

The printer comes with a pedestal in a separate package that serves several purposes:

1. Allows printer to roll for easy movement
2. Provides storage space under the printer for tools and supplies
3. Props the printer up to a level that provides maximum ease of use for the operator



- A Storage Compartment** - used to hold tools and supplies for your printer.
- B Casters/Leveling Feet** - casters wheel the printer into place, while the leveling feet both level the printer and lock it into place

Part Cleaning

After parts have finished building in the printer, it is necessary to clean them of any uncured resin using an ultrasonic cleaner. You will place the printed part inside a steel or glass container with >90% alcohol solvent. You will then place the container in the ultrasonic cleaner, which will send ultra-sonic sound waves through the solvent to agitate it. One solvent bath may be sufficient to clean the printed part; but it is better to bathe a part twice. As with any solvent, the >90% alcohol solvent will become saturated and rendered ineffective over time. You will need to dispose of the solvent according to local, state, and federal regulations and fill the container(s) with fresh solvent. For more information on cleaning build parts with an ultrasonic cleaner, please see the section [Cleaning Parts Using an Ultrasonic Cleaner](#).



Ultrasonic cleaner. This image is for sample purposes only and is not a recommendation or endorsement of any brand of ultrasonic cleaner.

Part Drying

After cleaning the part(s), it necessary to dry them of any solvent used in the cleaning step. This may be done in several ways, but a few recommended methods follow:
For all parts, be sure there is an absorbent cloth (disposable or otherwise) or container underneath the part to catch the solvent being cleaned off.

1. **Shop air** - if you have shop air in your facility, this would be the most-ideal way to air-dry the parts. This is not a replacement for air drying, but will speed up the process. Once finished using compressed air, let the part sit out for 30 minutes to air dry.



2. **Air Compressor** - If you do not have shop air, an air compressor would be the next-best solution. However, be aware that air compressors are fairly loud. This is not a replacement for air drying, but will speed up the process. Once finished using compressed air, let the part sit out for 30 minutes to air dry.



Air Compressor. This is for sample purposes only, and is not a recommendation or endorsement of any brand of air compressor.

3. **Air Drying** - Simply leave the part sitting on a paper towel until it is dry. This can take at least 60 minutes.

LC-3DPrint Box

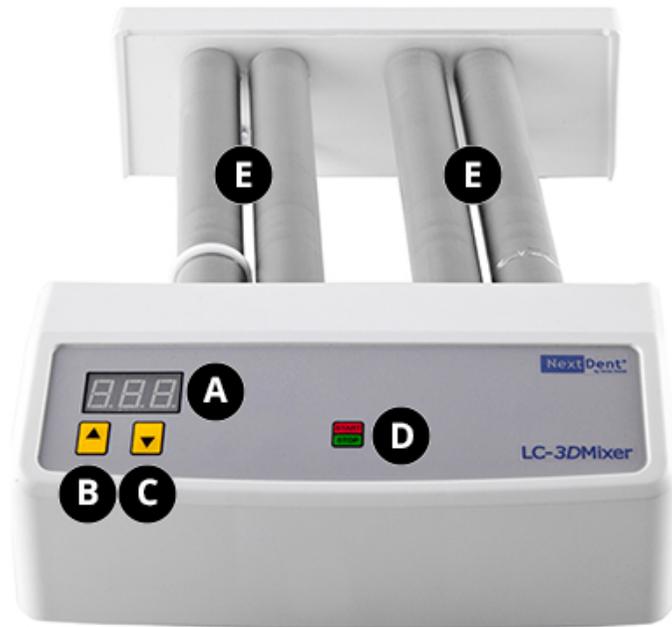
Sold separately from the printer, this is the post-curing oven that is required for use with the NextDent 5100 Printer, as its resins' finished parts must qualify as medical devices. Please see the complete User Guide that comes packaged with the LC-3DPrint Box for full usage instructions. For information on resin stirring times, please refer to the [Resin Stirring and Curing Chart](#).



- A Power Button** - Switches machine on/off
- B Front Panel** - Graphical User Interface for oven. This shows information about the lamps, the time left for curing, and error messages.
- C Oven Lid** - Insert a printed part through this top opening. The lid has a safety interlock that stops the oven when the lid is open.
- D Lamp Status Indicators** - These indicators will turn red when the UV lamp pair needs to be changed. See the oven's Instructions for Use for more information.
- E Timer** - Shows time remaining in curing cycle
- F Increasing Button** - Increases operation time
- G Decreasing Button** - Decreases operation time
- H Program Button** - Toggles between preset operation times of 10, 20, and 30 minutes
- I Start/Stop Button** - Starts and stops oven operation
- J UV Lamp** - The oven comes with six 18W, 71-color lamps and six 18W, 78-color lamps. See the oven's Instructions for Use for information on correct orientation of lamps.
- K Glass Plate** - Holds the printed part during curing

LC-3DMixer

Before pouring the resin in the resin tray, it is necessary to mix it before each use to obtain the best-possible chemical mixture in the bottle. The required method of mixing the resin is with the NextDent LC-3DMixer. This device is sold separately from the printer. With this mixer, you can roll two bottles at once for a specified period of time. For information on resin stirring times, please refer to the [Resin Stirring and Curing Chart](#).



LC-3DMixer front



LC-3DMixer back

- A** **Mixing Timer** - Shows the duration of resin mixing
- B** **Time Increase** - Increases the duration of mixing
- C** **Time Decrease** - Decreases the duration of mixing
- D** **Start/Stop Button** - Starts and stops bottle mixing
- E** **Bottle Rollers** - Rest the material bottles in between each of the pairs of rollers (please see the image below)
- F** **Power Button** - Turns the mixer on and off
- G** **Power Inlet** - Plug the female end of the power cord into this inlet
- H** **Device Label** - Provides important information about the LC-3DMixer



LC-3D Mixer bottle placement

Specifications and Requirements

NextDent 5100 Printer

Total Printer Footprint - without pedestal (xyz)	42.7 x 48.9 x 97.2 cm (16.8 x 19.3 x 38.3 in)
Total Printer Footprint - with pedestal (xyz)	64.4 x 66.8 x 136.3 cm (25.4 x 26.3 x 53.6 in)
Printer Weight	34.5 kg (76 lbs.)
Pedestal Weight	21.8 kg (48 lbs.)
Net Build Volume (xyz)	124 x 70 x 195 mm (4.88 x 2.76 x 7.67 in)
Native Resolution	65 micron (390.77 effective DPI)
Projector Wavelength	405 nm
Material Packaging	Opaque, non-reactive containers
Post-Processing	Separate part cleaner and UV oven
Software	Windows 7 (SP1), 8.1, 10 (64-bit only) 3D Sprint Figure 4 Client
File Input to 3D Sprint	All 3D model file types
File Export to Printer	.pxl
Electrical Requirements	100-240VAC, 50-60Hz, 4.0A
Fuse Specifications	T5A/250V
Network Ready	Built-in Ethernet, must connect to internet

Name	Description	Color	Brookfield Viscosity at 23°C	Elongation at Break	Flexural Strength	Flexural Modulus	Maximum Stress Intensity Factor	Total Fracture Work
NextDent® SG	Biocompatible Class I material, developed for the printing of Surgical Guides for implant surgery use	Translucent Orange	1.1-1.6 Pa·s		≥ 80 MPa	≥ 2000 MPa		
NextDent® C&B MFH (Micro Filled Hybrid)	Biocompatible Class IIa material developed for crowns and bridges	Various	0.8-1.3 Pa·s		107 MPa	≥ 2400 MPa	≥ 1.5 MPa 1/2	≥ 7.000 J/m ²
NextDent® Ortho IBT	Biocompatible Class I material for orthodontic applications	Clear	1.1 – 1.6 Pa·s	12-18%				
NextDent® Denture 3D+	Biocompatible Class IIa material suitable for printing all types of removable denture bases	Various			≥ 65 MPa	≥ 2000 MPa		

Name	Description	Color	Brookfield Viscosity at 23°C	Elongation at Break	Flexural Strength	Flexural Modulus	Maximum Stress Intensity Factor	Total Fracture Work
NextDent® Model 2.0	High degree of accuracy, making this material suitable for detailed master prosthodontic and orthodontic models where high precision is needed	Various				≥ 1500 MPa		
NextDent® Tray	Biocompatible Class I material designed to print individual impression trays	Blue and Pink	0.9 – 1.4 Pa·s		≥ 80 MPa	≥ 2000 MPa		
NextDent® Gingiva Mask	Flexible material that can be used in combination with the model material	Pink	1.1 – 1.6 Pa·s	15-25%				
NextDent® Cast	Easy burn out 3D printing material, residue-free and suited for all kinds of purposes	Purple	1.1 – 1.6 Pa·s					
NextDent® Try-In	Biocompatible Class I material suitable for printing Try-In devices	Various				≥ 1500 MPa		

Name	Description	Color	Brookfield Viscosity at 23°C	Elongation at Break	Flexural Strength	Flexural Modulus	Maximum Stress Intensity Factor	Total Fracture Work
NextDent® Ortho Rigid	Biocompatible Class IIa material developed for digital manufacturing of splints	Transparent Blue			78 MPa	2075 MPa	1.1 MPa m ^{1/2}	262 J/m ²

NextDent Material Documentation

If you are viewing this document online, the following are links to NextDent webpages where you can find the Instructions for Use (IFU) and Safety Data Sheet (SDS) for each NextDent material. If you have lost the IFU or SDS that came with your material bottle, you can print off a new copy using one of the links below. Simply follow the link and scroll down any page until you see a section like the one below:

The screenshot shows the NextDent website interface. At the top, there is a navigation menu with links: 3D PRINTING MATERIALS, UV POST-CURING, LABORATORIES & CLINICS, OEM & PRIVATE LABEL, RESEARCH, and ABOUT US. The main content area features a heading "Design and print high-precision transparent drilling template" and a paragraph describing NextDent SG as a biocompatible certified Class I material. Below this, there is a "Specifications" section with a table:

Property	Model	Value
Colour	Translucent Orange	
Brookfield viscosity at 23° Celsius	1.1 - 1.6 Pa.s	ASTM D2162
Flexural strength	≥ 80 MPa	ISO 20795-1:2013
Flexural modulus	≥ 2,000 MPa	ISO 20795-1:2013
Hardness Shore	D 80 - 90	ISO 868:2003
Sterilisation at 134° Celsius	Max 5 min.	

Below the table, there are two callout boxes. The first box contains the text: "The material is available in 1.000g containers. Download the [Instruction for Use, Safety Data Sheet and Declaration of Conformity](#)." The second box contains the text: "The material is available in 1.000g containers. Download the [Instruction for Use, Safety Data Sheet and Declaration of Conformity](#)."

[Surgical Guide](#)

[C&B MFH](#)

[Ortho IBT](#)

[Tray](#)

[Gingiva Mask](#)

[Cast](#)

[Model 2.0](#)

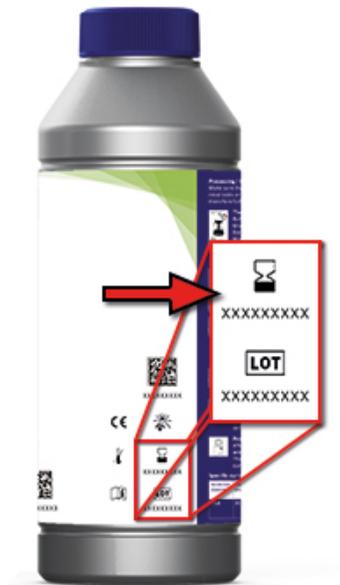
[Denture 3D+](#)

[Try-In](#)

[Ortho Rigid](#)

Material Expiration Date

NextDent print materials that are biocompatible cannot be used beyond their expiration date. Doing so would nullify the printed part's certification as a medical device. The printer screen will notify you if your resin is expired upon scanning. The expiration date can also be found on your material bottle, as seen below.



Facility Requirements

This guide provides you with information on how to properly prepare your facility for the NextDent 5100 Printer. This chapter introduces you to the NextDent 5100 Printer machine and other system components – including lists of other support equipment and supplies that you will find helpful in setting up your facility.

Additional chapters include guidelines for the following:

- [Site Selection](#) - gives information on how much space the NextDent 5100 Printer requires and the necessary services and equipment needed for a highly efficient, ideal location for your NextDent 5100 Printer and its components.
- [System Delivery](#) - provides information about preparing for the delivery of your NextDent 5100 Printer.
- [System Installation](#) - explains the process of, and requirements for, installing the NextDent 5100 Printer in your facility.
- [Considerations for Material](#) - gives you guidelines for proper storage, handling, and safety for NextDent materials.
- [Third-Party Equipment and Supplies](#) - provides a summary of the optional equipment and supplies that 3D Systems recommends for efficient and complete part building, post processing, and finishing.

3D Sprint Software

System Requirements

Included with the system is the part-preparation ([3DSprint™](#)) software. This application provides part preparation and part building functionality. The 3DSprint software is installed on a separate, customer-supplied computer. The following page contains the minimum computer configuration requirements for the 3D Sprint computer: <https://softwaresupport.3dsystems.com/knowledgebase/article/KA-03395/en-us>. Scroll down and click the **3D Sprint System Requirements** link.



Site Selection - NextDent 5100 Printer

This section provides the requirements and recommendations to determine the most appropriate location for a highly functional, efficient NextDent 5100 Printer workspace, with room for other equipment and supplies. To help you choose a location, the [Initial Site Survey Checklist](#) provides the attributes that you need to select the best location for your installation. After narrowing the list of possible locations, consider each requirement carefully before making a decision about your final placement site.

Part 1

Space Requirements

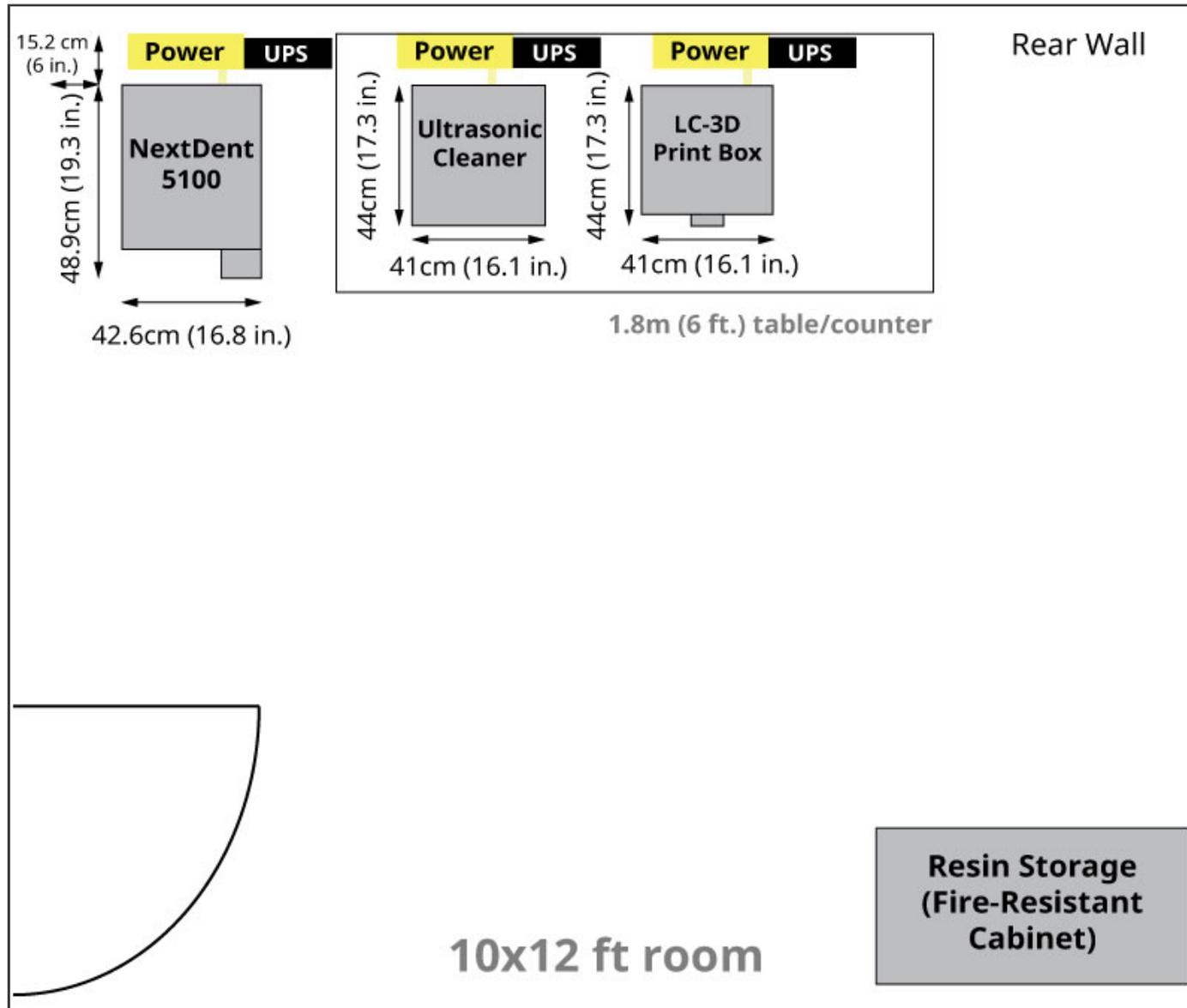
User preferences, building codes, and equipment configuration help you to define the total floor area that your NextDent 5100 Printer will need. The NextDent system should be located in an environmentally controlled room. Locate the secondary post processing equipment and supplies in the same room or adjoining room, if possible. The figure below shows an ideal site configuration that minimizes the required movement of parts after part building. The [NextDent 5100 Printer Measurements Diagram](#) shows the minimum dimensions of the NextDent 5100 Printer. Your site layout will vary.



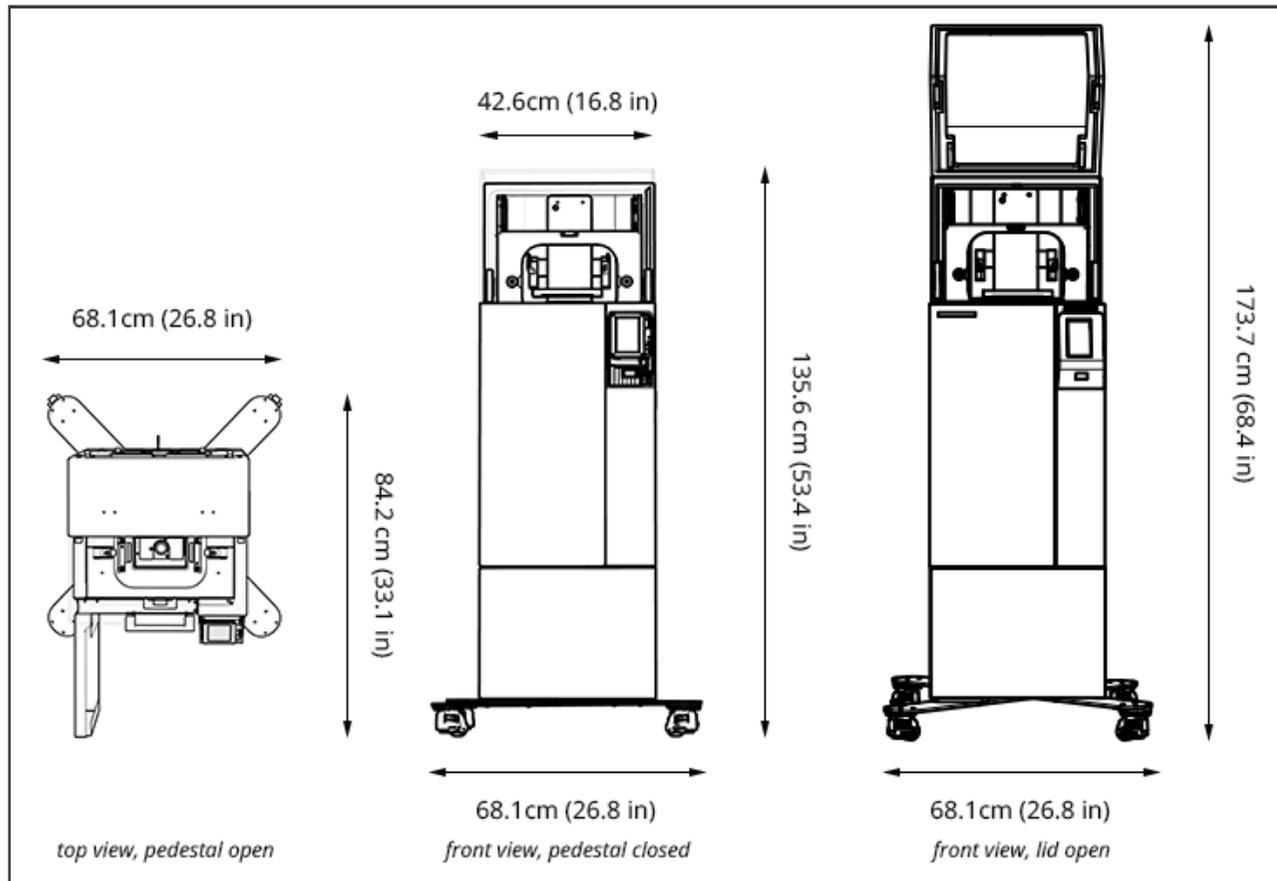
NOTE: Due to UV safety requirements, the system should be located where access to the room can be avoided during an emergency.



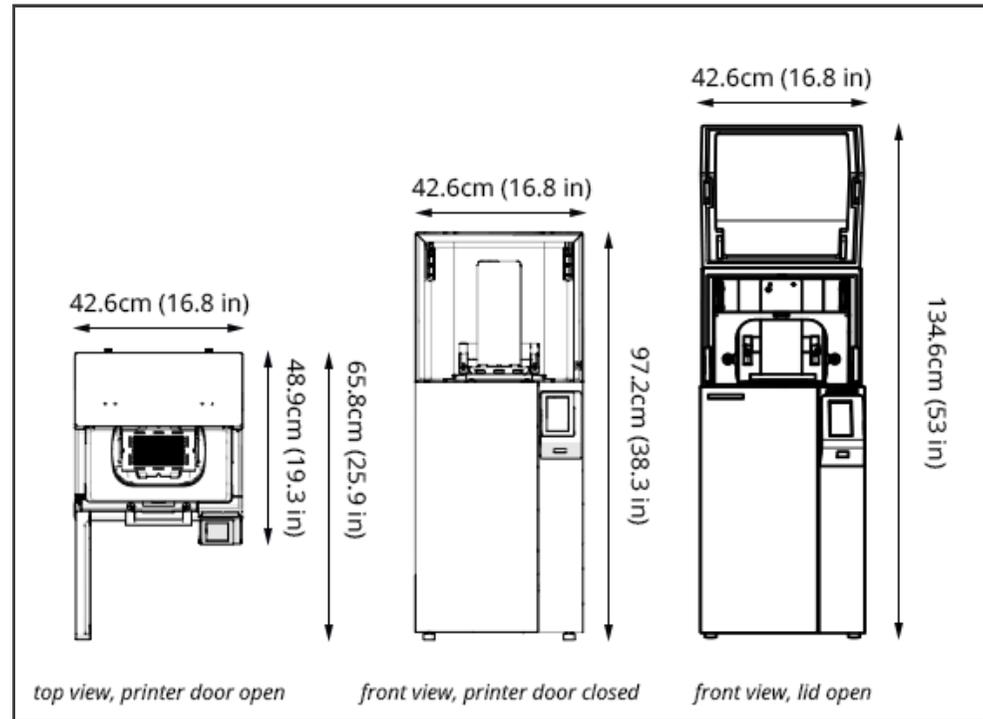
NOTE: The NextDent 5100 Printer should be placed such that the front of the unit is easily accessible for opening the door and loading/unloading print platforms. There should also be at least six inches of clearance on the sides and back of the printer for proper air flow. If you have the pedestal, the outriggers hitting the wall will add the required clearance. You may wish to use an Uninterruptible Power Supply (UPS) to keep your devices running in the event of a power surge/outage.



Optimal Site Layout (top view) - dimensions for part cleaner are based on a popular consumer ultrasonic cleaner



Printer dimensions with pedestal



Printer dimensions without pedestal

Internet Connection

There must be a wired internet connection for the printer to connect to. The NextDent 5100 Printer communicates with a 3D Systems server and will not operate on a closed network. There is also no WiFi support.

Floor/Area Surface

Floors and counter spaces in the NextDent work area should be non-porous and suitable for cleaning with solvents. The feet of the printer must be on a sturdy, level surface; be sure to make any leveling adjustments needed to the desk/counter your printer will be on. Carpeted floors must not be used. Remove any carpeting or other non-porous flooring where the feet of the NextDent system will be placed. The system should not straddle any floor/desk/counter seams. The maximum permissible platform incline is 2.5 cm/12 m (1 in/40 ft).

Floor Vibration and Shock

The system is a precision mechanical and optical machine that is sensitive to vibration. In order to ensure part quality and accuracy, a ground floor location with a concrete floor, (minimum of 4 inches thick) is recommended.

The NextDent 5100 is slightly self-damping, and should not be affected by normal or incidental environmental vibration; however the area should be isolated, either via location or some other physical or mechanical means, from any significant internal or external vibration sources such as heavy machinery, HVAC and fans. Locations near airports or train tracks which could cause unacceptable shock or vibration levels are not recommended.

Load-Bearing Capacity

The NextDent 5100 Printer is 34.5 kg (76 lbs) and does not require a table rated for a heavy load. Additional equipment, such as a UV oven or ultra-sonic cleaner, will each have their own loads for your setup to bear. Refer to the [Weights and Measures Charts](#) to determine the total weight of the equipment to be housed in your room to ensure that you do not exceed the maximum load-bearing capacity that your printer-staging area can support.

Electrical Requirements

Electrical voltage requirements for the NextDent 5100 Printer:

- 120V, 240V, 50/60 Hz, 4A (2A Europe), 1 phase

Power for the NextDent 5100 Printer should be on a surge-protected circuit. 3D Systems does not require the use of a UPS (Uninterruptible Power Supply) for the NextDent 5100 Printer. However, if you live in an area with frequent power surges/outages, a UPS would be useful. A UPS would prevent a build from crashing in the event of a brief power outage/surge, as it would give you time to properly pause the print job.

Ensure that the space you select for the printer has a power outlet reachable by that length of cord. Use of an extension cord or power strip is not recommended.

If your power cord becomes damaged or lost, please ensure you order a replacement from 3D Systems for a power cord that is adequately rated for the machine. Do not replace the power cord with a cord that is not rated for the printer. 3D Systems will identify any parts that are required to be examined or supplied only by 3D Systems or its partners.

Part 2

Heat Dissipation

The NextDent 5100 Printer is not expected give off significant heat under normal operating conditions.

Connection to AC Power

- In the United States, connection to a standard 10-amp wall outlet is required. The system connects to a 120VAC power outlet through a standard 120VAC power cord.
- In Europe, a standard 10-amp wall outlet is also required. The system connects to a 230VAC power outlet through a standard 230VAC power cord. Country destination kits are available with the proper wall-power connections.

Temperature

The temperature in the room or location where the NextDent system resides should remain stable to allow optimal system operation and optimal part quality.

NextDent resins should be kept between 5°C-30°C (41°F-86°F). However, successful printing has only been tested at a minimum of 18°C (64.4°F) and a maximum of 28°C (82.4°F). If your room is kept beyond either extreme, you may see a degradation in print quality.

Humidity

The optimal humidity in the NextDent 5100 Printer build chamber and lab will depend to a certain degree on the NextDent material selection. Regardless, the humidity should always be non-condensing and should not vary outside the range of 20 to 80% RH. Review your NextDent material information (SDS, Instructions for Use, and product labeling) for specific information on recommended humidity levels.

Altitude

The NextDent system is capable of operating correctly up to an altitude of 2,400 m above mean sea level.

Ventilation

While outside venting is not always required, there are some materials for which outside venting is necessary. Your HVAC system should perform at least six air exchanges per hour in the room where the printer is located. You may wish to have a fume hood installed for your part-cleaning area. Ensure that your facility complies with all local and regional regulations regarding ventilation of vapors, dust, and other by-products of printing, cleaning and secondary processing. Always refer to and follow the information on the SDS for your specific material.

Part 3

Overall Sound Pressure Level (OASPL)

The sound of the NextDent system will not exceed 80 db.

Air Cleanness

The room housing the NextDent system should be prepared for odors related to a small material spill. The means that windows should be able to be opened and/or other measures can be put in place to vent the room in the case of a spill. Reasonable care should be taken to minimize dust and smoke which could contaminate the NextDent material and cause deterioration of optical surfaces. Avoid temperature fluctuation. Since dust, smoke and temperature fluctuations can affect the performance of the machine and the quality of the parts, an area with filtered air flow is recommended. Avoid proximity to machine shop areas, or where milling, grinding, or sanding is performed.

Lighting

Standard fluorescent lamps with clear plastic diffusers are recommended to minimize ultraviolet exposure, which could negatively affect the NextDent material. Sunlight, quartz-halogen lamps, and high-intensity incandescent lamps are not suitable; and UV-intensive lighting or ultraviolet exposure through windows should be avoided. UV filters are available for windows and exposed fluorescent lamps. Any exposure of the resin to any of the light sources described in this section is likely to cure the resin, thereby wasting it and forcing a difficult cleanup.

Door or Other Method of Preventing Access to Room

The site should be able to be isolated from other employees or personnel in the event of a material spill or major machine malfunction. A separate room or area that can be closed to others is necessary. The system is safe and does not present hazards to properly trained personnel operating the system in accordance with our specifications. However, the system should be installed in an area that can be cleared of untrained personnel during emergency situations.

Network Access

The NextDent system controller computer includes a Class A Ethernet interface, which can be connected to a 10/100/1000 MBit/s Ethernet network to offer network access to the NextDent system. To remotely operate the NextDent 5100 Printer or to remotely run service engineer diagnostics, a VPN network access is required.

Telephone Service

Dedicated telephone lines are not required for normal operation of an NextDent system. You may wish to install a dedicated telephone line in the NextDent system installation area to facilitate discussions with 3D Systems Customer Service personnel while the machine is in operation, should the need arise.

Site Selection - Post-Processing Equipment

Locating the post-processing equipment is similar in many respects to locating the NextDent 5100 Printer. The following abbreviated site specifications are for recommended post-processing equipment.

Space and Location Selection

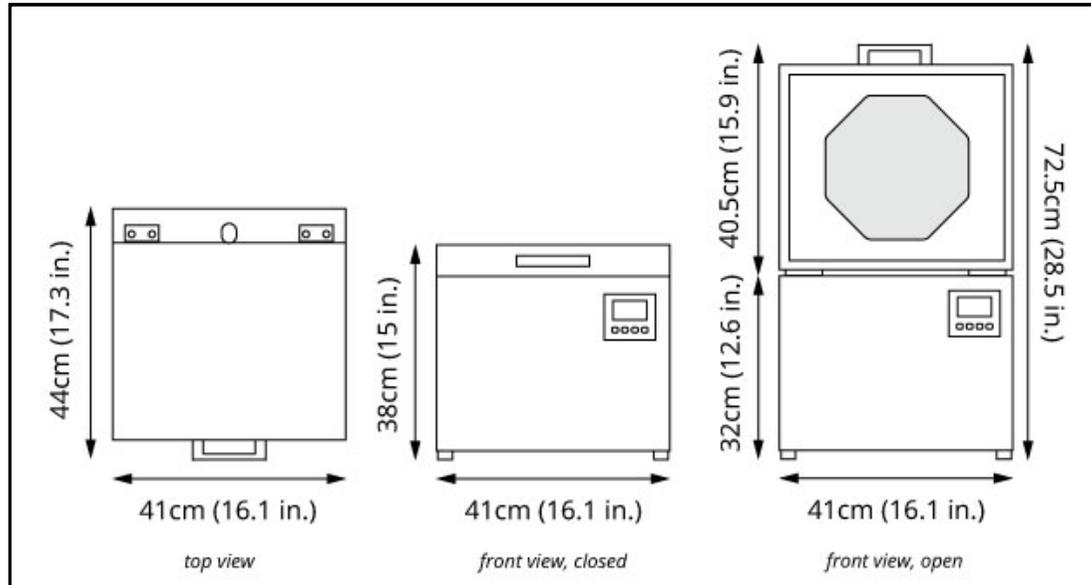
You may choose to locate the part-washing, drying, and curing stations in the same room as the NextDent 5100 Printer or in a room adjoining the printer

With either option, please consider the following:

1. The further the distance the build part is being moved from the printer to the post-processing area, the longer the opportunity for the build part to get damaged by dropping, bumping into objects, and other environmental factors.
2. The further the distance the build part is being moved, also longer is the opportunity for uncured resin to drip onto the floor. If floors are porous, such as carpeting or some tiles, they can absorb the spilled resin and would need to be professionally cleaned or replaced.

Refer to [Optimal Site Layout](#) for a suggestion for overall layout. Refer to the [Weights and Measures Charts](#) for weights and measurements of the LC-3DPrint Box. Consider the following additional specifications when selecting the location for your post-processing equipment.

NextDent LC-3DPrint Box Measurements



Floor Surfaces

Flooring/table/countertop under the post-processing equipment should be non-porous and suitable for cleaning with solvents. Carpeted floors are not recommended.

Electrical Requirements

NextDent LC-3DPrint Box

Power configuration: 110V/240V – 50/60Hz – 2.6A/1.3A

Electrical power for the LC-3DPrint Box must be on a surge-protected circuit. A UPS, while not required, is recommended in areas with frequent power fluctuations, as surges and spikes can damage electronic components and power loss can damage the unit.

Ultrasonic Cleaner

Power configuration: An example of the power configuration for a consumer-grade ultrasonic cleaner is 120W at 40,000Hz. There are ultrasonic cleaners of many sizes, from around 2.5L (0.66 gal.) to upwards of 757L (200 gal.) Determine which size ultrasonic cleaner is best for your needs.

Electrical power for an ultrasonic cleaner must be on a surge-protected circuit, particularly for a bigger (not desktop) cleaner. A UPS, while not required, is recommended in areas with frequent power fluctuations, as surges and spikes can damage electronic components and power loss can damage the unit.

Connection to AC Power

The LC-3DPrint Box is designed to plug into a standard power outlet in different countries. Smaller ultrasonic cleaners will also plug into standard wall outlets; bigger ones, however, may require a custom power outlet.

Ventilation (Ductwork)

The post-processing equipment may be vented outside if required by your facility; however, ventilation is not required by 3D Systems. Contact your Facilities Manager for your requirements.



CAUTION: Never disconnect a ducting system that is connected to an external extraction system.

Third-Party Supplies and Equipment

3D Systems™ provides this partial list of equipment and supplies/accessories that are useful for handling, processing or finishing NextDent parts. You should keep a list of preferred vendors for any 3D-print-related products you may order. Equipment and supplies are not limited to this list, as you may find other products and methods that more suit your needs.



NOTE: Customers are responsible for consulting local health, safety, and environmental regulations to determine additional site requirements. No information that is contained in this document constitutes legal advice regarding such requirements. 3D Systems™ has no responsibility to determine whether or not the customer is in compliance with applicable laws, nor do we guarantee the accuracy or quality of the supplier product.

Uninterruptible Power Supply (UPS) - While a UPS is not required for use with the NextDent 5100 Printer, you may wish to use one for battery backup of your printer in the case of a power surge or outage.

UV Filter Screens - While these are not required, you may need to install filters over windows and lights so as not to cure any exposed print material before printing.

Disposable Lint-Free Paper Towels - You will use lint-free paper towels for assisting in cleaning printed parts, printer components, and resin spills.



CAUTION: It is necessary to use lint-free paper towels, as lint from other types of paper towels can stick on the printed part or printer component. Lint on the printed part can cause improper final part curing in the UV oven. Lint on printer components can contaminate the resin on the print platform and in the resin tray, causing the printed part to lose accuracy or causing a build to crash.

Clean-Room Swabs - You will need clean-room swabs to clean the projector lens.

Cellulose Wadding - This absorbent material is useful for covering your NextDent workbench, as well as for absorbing solvents during air drying of printed parts.

Chemically Resistant Gloves - 3D Systems recommends the use of 100% nitrile gloves whenever handling uncured resin, partially cured printed parts, and solvents.

Eye-Wash Station - This may be designed specifically for eye-washing or may be an adapter that fits onto an existing faucet.

Fire Extinguisher - NFPA Class B such as CO₂, dry-chemical, or foam

Hazardous-Materials Waste Can - While it is optional to get a fire-proof waste can, you must have a waste can approved to contain NextDent resins, according to all local, state, and federal regulations.

Storage Cabinet - This is for storing resin bottles and other NextDent-related equipment. You may choose to get a fire-proof cabinet; but it is not required to be fire-proof.

Lab Coats - Optional measure to protect your clothes/skin from uncured print material and solvents.

>90% alcohol solvent - These solvents are used in cleaning printed parts, printer components, and areas where resin has spilled.

Safety Glasses (405 nm radiation blocking) with side shielding - The printer operator should not be exposed to hazardous radiation from the printer or curing oven. However, in the case of an emergency where radiation emits from these devices, it is recommended to wear eye protection.

NextDent LC-3DPrint Box - Please see the section [LC-3DPrint Box](#) for more information.

NextDent LC-3DMixer - Please see the section [LC-3DMixer](#) for more information.

System Delivery

After placing your order, a 3D Systems™ representative will contact you to confirm your shipment delivery date. Ensure that the area where you intend to place your NextDent 5100 Printer is ready to move the system into, and that you have the assistance of another person or lifting device, such as a hand truck, before scheduling the shipment of your printer. The following information will guide you through this preparation phase.

Preparation for Receiving

Inform your receiving personnel that the items you ordered will be arriving and arrange for a location to store them until you are ready to install the printer and any accessories.

Transporting the NextDent 5100 Printer

When you open the printer crate, use the help of another person or a hand truck to help move the system. If you do not have a hand truck or another person on-site to help you, arrange to have one or both of these aids beforehand.

Shipment Arrival

The NextDent 5100 Printer will arrive in a variety of crates and/or pallets - the largest crate being for the NextDent 5100 Printer. Your shipment will consist of the following items:

- NextDent 5100 Printer
- Start-up Kit
- Resin Tray
- Print Platform (x2)
- Power Cord/Power Brick
- LC-3DPrint Box - the required post-curing oven used with the printer's resins
- Material Bottles - speak with your 3D Systems representative to determine the number of, and types of, material bottles you should purchase for your first shipment.

Optional items you could have in your shipment:

- LC-3DMixer - to agitate bottles of resin to keep their contents mixed properly. Please see the SDS/Instructions for Use of a specific resin for mixing instructions.

- Ultrasonic Part Cleaner (ordered separately from third party)
- Pedestal

Once your shipment arrives, first inspect the crates for any physical damage. Then, after inspection, receive the crates.

The following charts list both crated and uncrated dimensions and weights for different products that you may have ordered. Verify your order and compare to the listed items below. Crate or pallet dimensions and weights may vary.

	Boxed Specifications			
Product	Width	Depth	Height	Weight
NextDent 5100 Printer	73.7 cm (29 in)	68.6 cm (27 in)	129.5 cm (51 in)	59 kg (130 lbs)
NextDent 5100 Pedestal	82.6 cm (32.5 in)	79.4 cm (31.3 in)	55.2 cm (21.8 in)	26.3 kg (58 lbs)
LC-3DPrint Box	54.5 cm (21.5 in)	57.5 cm (22.6 in)	59.5 cm (23.4 in)	28.9 kg (63.8 lbs)

	Unboxed Specifications			
Product	Width	Depth	Height	Weight
NextDent 5100 Printer	42.6 cm (16.8 in)	48.9 cm (19.3 in)	97.2 cm (38.3 in)	34.5 kg (76 lbs)
NextDent 5100, with pedestal	64.4 cm (25.4 in)	66.8 cm (26.3 in)	136.3 cm (53.6 in)	56.3 kg (124.1 lbs)
LC-3DPrint Box	41 cm (16.1 in)	44 cm (17.3 in)	38 cm (15 in)	22 kg (48.5 lbs)

Inspect Exterior of Printer

Visually inspect the exterior of the printer for any damage incurred during shipping. Notify your reseller immediately if any damage is evident at this point. DO NOT proceed with the installation until you have discussed the damage with your reseller.

System Installation

Installation of your system encompasses four separate steps:

1. Purchase and arrival of third-party equipment or supplies you may have ordered.

2. Delivery of your NextDent system shipment.
3. Uncrating and installation of your NextDent system components.

System Uncrating

The uncrating and installation of the NextDent 5100 will be performed by the printer operator. The weight of the printer requires a minimum of two people to lift it safely.



Scheduling Time for Your Installation

The installation of the system should only take an hour or less.

Preparing for System Installation

In preparing your facility for NextDent system placement, you must consider four main factors:

- Make sure that you have the necessary doorway and passageway clearance to move either the crated or uncrated components to their final destinations, including space for the people who are carrying the unit.
- Make sure that you have an adequate pallet jack, hand truck, or another person to help move the system and its accessories.
- If you use equipment to lift the printer, verify that it is rated for the load of the system components.
- Do not prepare a desk/table/countertop for the printer unless it is rated to hold a load of at least 34.5 kg (76 lbs).

Minimum Passageway and Door Openings

Most standard doorways and halls provide adequate access for moving the system. If the NextDent 5100 Printer is lifted on its narrow side, each passageway and doorway must be wide enough to move and turn a printer measuring 42.6 x 48.9 x 97.2 cm (16.8 x 19.3 x 38.3 in), in addition to accommodating the people or equipment used to move the printer.

Determine the pathway from where the crated components are stored to where your NextDent system will be installed. Walk the path from the storage location to the final destination of the system, and measure any critical doorways or passageways to ensure that the equipment can be moved through the area.

If a passageway or doorway is too small for the crated NextDent system, it may be necessary to remove the NextDent system from its crate before moving the unit. A standard door that is 2-2.4m (6.5-8 ft) tall and 0.61-1.1m (2-3.5 ft) wide should accommodate the system and its accessories.

Considerations for Material

You are responsible for ensuring that the facility where your NextDent system and NextDent materials are housed is properly configured for safe operation of the NextDent system and of the materials used in that system. Personnel who operate the equipment or use the materials must comply with all relevant safety codes and applicable regulatory requirements and laws, particularly those that relate to usage of hazardous chemicals, radiation, and disposal of regulated material. The NextDent 5100 Printer complies with CE requirements.



NOTE: You are responsible for determining whether additional supplies and equipment are necessary according to local, state, federal or other regulatory laws that govern your location.

NextDent Material Usage

NextDent materials in the liquid state require use of approved surgical-type 100% nitrile gloves and other equipment to protect the user from direct contact with uncured print material. Material is fully cured only after adequate exposure in the LC-3DPrint Box. Only after being fully cured do the parts no longer require protective gloves to handle. The LC-3DPrint Box has been designed especially for NextDent™ materials, as their end-use parts must qualify as certified medical devices. Use of another UV oven nullifies this certification.

Material Disposal

Because NextDent materials are regulated, they are subject to special disposal requirements by your local, federal, or other regulatory agencies. Follow applicable disposal guidelines. Contact a local waste management company for recommendations on disposal requirements that affect your facility.

If your area requires regulated waste disposal, consult with and retain a waste-management company to periodically pick up regulated waste. Your local waste management company may recommend that you set up a drum, or other approved container, to dispose of liquid material, partially cured printed parts (also called "green" parts), and of any materials (such as paper towels or gloves) that may have come into contact with the uncured liquid material.

After final part curing in the LC-3DPrint Box, fully cured NextDent parts may be disposed of in regular trash receptacles.



NOTE: Inspect printed parts after curing in the LC-3DPrint Box to ensure they are fully solidified. Part-surface tackiness and visible or discernible areas of liquid material indicate the part is not fully cured.



Sample of "green" printed parts just after removal.

Storage and Usage Guidelines

Please see the section [Material Handling and Safety](#) for more information. Always read the Safety Data Sheet (SDS) prior to use of any NextDent material.

Checklists

There are two checklists that you should use to prepare your facility for the NextDent 5100 Printer.

Initial Site Survey - This checklist will help you determine the best room and setup for your printer facility.

Pre-Installation Checklist - This checklist will help you make sure you have all the equipment and accessories you need for your printer facility.

Please download the printable checklists by clicking on the links below:

[NextDent 5100 initial site survey.pdf](#)

[NextDent 5100 pre installation checklist.pdf](#)

Setting Up Your Printer

The following items and accessories are contained in the printer package.

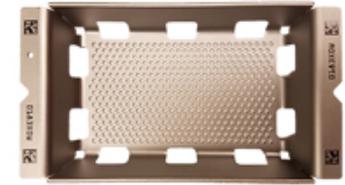
NextDent 5100 Printer



Resin Tray - Contains the print material during part building.



Print Platform (x2) - The 3D-printed part adheres to the print platform during part building.



Catch Tray - Prevents resin spills from entering the lower build chamber, should the resin-tray membrane be punctured. This comes installed in the printer.



Power Cord (country specific) - To connect printer to power source. The power cord has been packaged with your printer by your reseller to ensure you receive the correct power cord for your region.



Resin Mixer - Used to mix the liquid NextDent resin while in the resin tray



Punch Tool - Used to remove the printed part from the print platform from underneath, and to clear the print-platform holes of partially cured resin.



Carbon Filter - Prevents print-material fumes from exiting the process chamber. You will install this in the Carbon-Filter Bracket, as seen below.



Resin Tray Garage - Used to cover a resin-filled resin tray inside or outside the printer, so as to protect it from UV-light exposure and external contaminants



Platform Scraper - Used to scrape any residual partially cured material off the print platform



Intake Filter - Keeps dust out of the printer while feeding air to the cooling fan



Bubble Level - Used to level the printer on the pedestal before its first use



Part-Cleaning Brush - Used to aid in cleaning partially cured resin off the print platform and printed part



Platform-Cleaning Fixture - Used to hold the print platform in a tub of solvent during platform cleaning



Ethernet Cable



Wire Brush - Used to help clean print platforms that have run Ortho IBT or Gingiva Mask resins



Necessary Accessories

LC-3DPrint Box



CAUTION: Usage of the LC-3DPrint Box for post-curing parts is required for all NextDent™ print materials for end-use parts to be certified as medical devices. Usage of another UV oven will nullify this certification.



Material Bottles - The NextDent 5100 Printer uses various NextDent materials, which come in 1kg bottles. Please see the section [Print Material Bottles](#) for a complete list of currently supported print materials.



Ultrasonic Cleaner - Along with this, you should have stainless-steel and/or glass containers in which to place printed parts during cleaning.

 **NOTE:** Neither 3D Systems, nor NextDent, supplies an ultrasonic cleaner. Please purchase the cleaner that is best for you from your local supplier.



This image is for example purposes only and is not a recommendation or endorsement of any brand of ultrasonic cleaner.

Optional Accessories

LC-3DMixer - This is the recommended mechanical solution for mixing NextDent resins. Please see the section [Mix/Stir the Print Material](#) for more information.



Pedestal - to sit your NextDent 5100 Printer on top of and store frequently used tools.



Unpacking the Printer

Please see Printer unpacking instructions in the **Quick-Start Guide** on the page [Guides Inside the Box](#).

Unpacking the Pedestal

Please see Pedestal unpacking instructions in the **Quick-Start Guide** on the page [Guides Inside the Box](#).

Place Printer on Pedestal

Please see instructions for placing printer on the pedestal in the **Quick-Start Guide** on the page [Guides Inside the Box](#).

Level the Printer on Pedestal

Please see instructions for leveling the Printer on the Pedestal in the **Quick-Start Guide** on the page [Guides Inside the Box](#).

Nesting Printers

If you have multiple NextDent 5100 printers on pedestals, you may use a technique called, "nesting," to set up the printers as closely as possible while still enabling access to all printer doors. This section describes how to nest three printers together. However, you could nest as little as two, and as many as your facility allows.

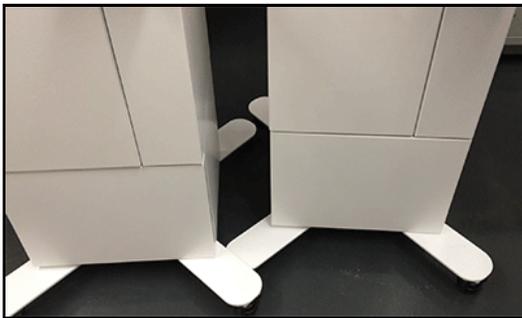
1. The printer that will be in the center of your "nest" should have all its leveling feet locked down so that the printer does not move. This is important for future steps so that only the printer you intend to adjust moves.
2. Ensure that the leveling feet on all the other pedestals are raised up to allow the printers to roll.



3. To nest from left to right (facing the printers) position the printer on the left such that the front-right foot can roll over and clear the front-left foot of the printer on the right.
4. Slowly move the left printer into place, backing the front-right foot as far back as it can go.
5. From here, move the printer to the left until the casters on the two front feet almost touch. Please see the video clip at the right for a visualization of the proper technique.



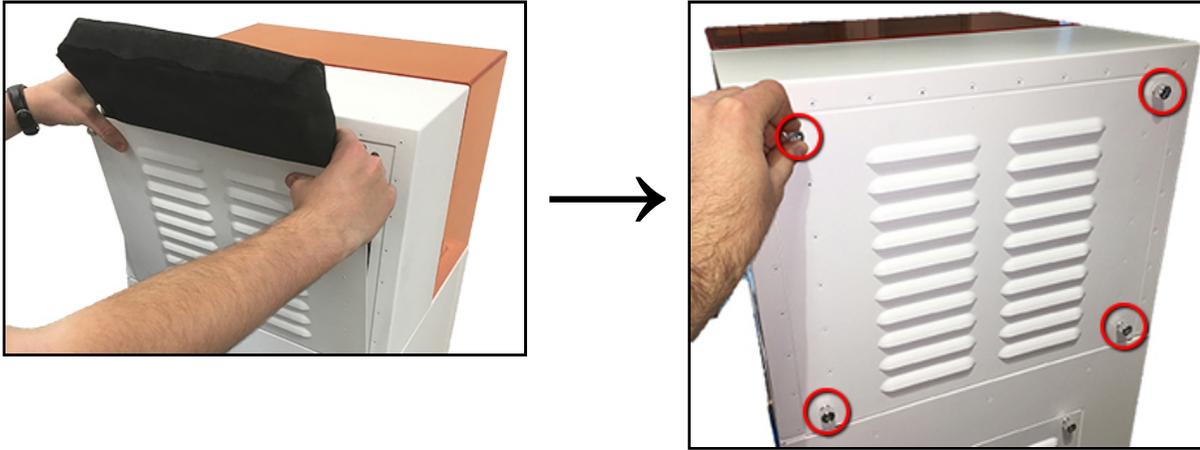
6. To nest the from right to left, you will follow the reverse of Steps 3-5. Facing the printers, position the printer on the right such that the front-left foot can roll **under** the front-right foot of the printer on the left.
7. Slowly move the right printer into place, pushing the front-left foot as far **forward** as it can go.
8. From here, move the printer to the right until the casters on the two front feet almost touch. Please see the video clip at the right for a visualization of the proper technique. See the clip below for a closer look and a different angle.



9. Ensure that all printer doors can open freely.
10. Level all printers according to the section [Level the Printer on Pedestal](#).
11. To un-nest the printers, simply raise all leveling feet and slide the printers apart. Re-level all printers by themselves before printing on any of them.

Install Carbon Filter

Unscrew the carbon-filter bracket from the printer. Remove carbon filter from its packaging and install it in the printer, as seen in the section [Change Carbon Filter](#).



Turn Printer On



TIP: It may be useful to bundle the power cable and Ethernet cable together with cable ties, and secure them in place, to prevent a tripping hazard.



NOTE: If the printer does not power on, test the power outlet where the printer is plugged in with something you know works, such as a phone charger. Ensure the power cable is completely inserted in both the power inlet and wall outlet. Ensure that any power strip or UPS the printer is plugged into is turned on. If you have tried all these options, and the printer will not turn on, contact 3D Systems Service.



ELECTRICAL SHOCK HAZARD: BE SURE THAT THE POWER SWITCH IS IN THE "0," OR "OFF," POSITION BEFORE PLUGGING IN THE PRINTER.



ELECTRICAL SHOCK HAZARD: USE THE POWER CORD THAT HAS BEEN SUPPLIED WITH THE PRINTER. USING A DIFFERENT POWER CORD COULD CAUSE ELECTRICAL MALFUNCTION AND DAMAGE TO THE EQUIPMENT.

Turn the Printer On

The power switch and power inlet for the NextDent 5100 is on the back-left side of the printer.

1. Plug the power adapter into the power inlet on the printer. Plug the other end to a wall outlet.
2. Flip the power switch to the "I" position to turn the printer on.



Connect the Printer to the Internet

Plug your Ethernet cable into the Ethernet inlet on the back-right of the printer, as shown.

 **NOTE:** Be sure to use the Ethernet cable that came packed in with the printer, as it has been tested to work with the printer. Alternatively, an 802.11n WiFi bridge >300Mbps may be connected to Ethernet port.

 **NOTE:** An offline setup for your printer is available upon request. Contact your reseller for more information.



Ensure the Catch Tray is Installed

The catch tray will come installed in the printer. If it is not installed, contact your reseller immediately. If this is your first time printing, remove the catch tray from the printer and ensure that the protective film has been removed from **both** the bottom and top of the glass plate. The films should have been removed before shipping to you; but you must perform this check to ensure successful printing.

After you've ensured that there is no film on the top or bottom of the glass, you must reinstall the catch tray, as it must be present prior to printing. This is because:

1. It shields the lower print chamber from resin. If resin gets on the components of the lower print chamber, it can cause irreversible damage to the print engine.
2. The printer is expecting to project UV radiation through the catch tray's glass. If the glass is not there, you risk over-curing of printed parts.
3. There is a sensor on the catch-tray rail that can tell if the catch tray is fully seated. If the sensor sees no catch tray, the machine will not allow you to print. Ensure you push the catch tray all the way back to satisfy the sensor.

Please see the section [Clean/Replace the Catch Tray](#) for installation instructions.



Printer Activation

You can activate your printer by going to support.3dsystems.com/nextdent-5100 and clicking the Printer Activation link.



CAUTION: It is vital that you register your printer to activate your Service warranty.

System Requirements and Setup

System Requirements

Included with the system is the part-preparation ([3D Sprint™](#)) software. This application provides part preparation and part building functionality. The 3D Sprint software is installed on a separate, customer-supplied computer. The following page contains the minimum computer configuration requirements for the 3D Sprint computer: <https://softwaresupport.3dsystems.com/knowledgebase/article/KA-03395/en-us>. Scroll down and click the **3D Sprint System Requirements** link.



Install 3D Sprint Software



NOTE: 3D Sprint software is always subject to updates. An announcement, along with release notes, will accompany a new software-version release.

Please see the [Software Downloads](#) page for information on downloading/installing 3D Sprint. Before installing 3D Sprint, you may have to update some settings on your computer and graphics card. Please read the 3D Sprint Installation Guide for procedures on this and for full installation instructions.

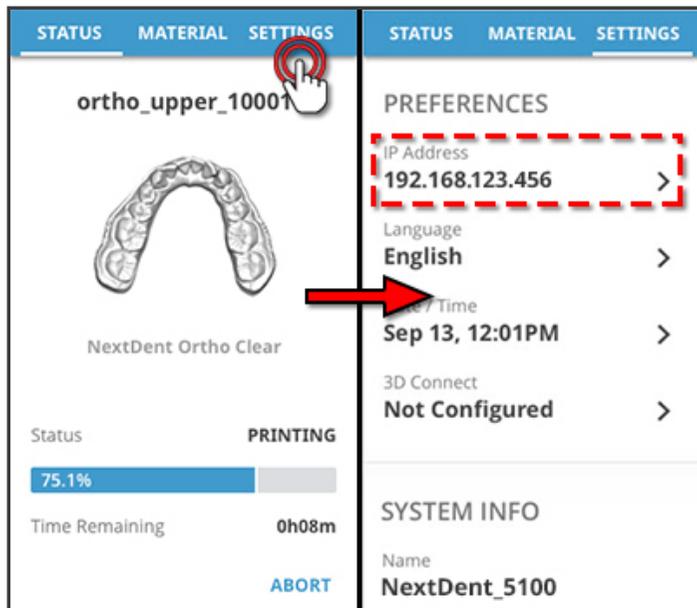
Set Up Printer On Network

An offline setup for your printer is also available. Contact your reseller for more information. Follow the instructions below to set up your printer on your network.

1. Open **3D Sprint**.

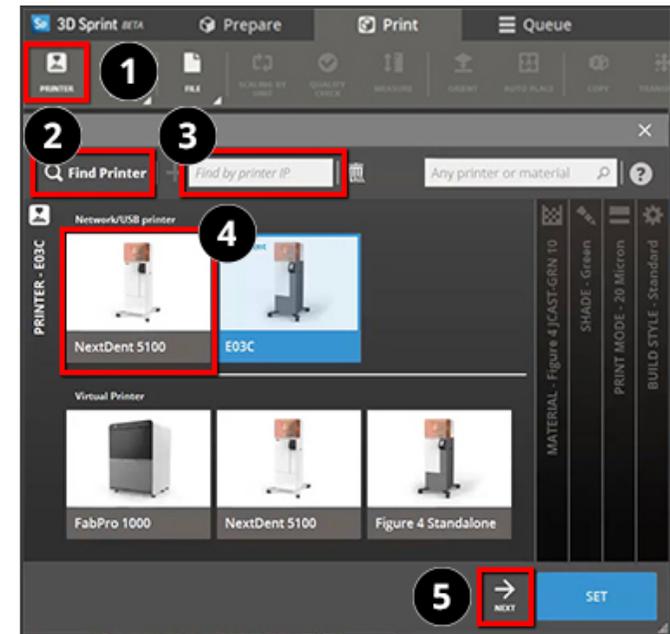
2. If the **Printer** dialog box is not already open, click the  icon in the upper-left-hand corner (1).

3. In the **Printer** dialog box, click the **Find Printer** button (2). 3D Sprint should find your printer on the network. If this does NOT happen, enter your printer's IP address in the **Find by printer IP** field (3) and press **Enter**. The printer's IP address can be found on the printer's touch screen by going to the **Settings** tab (see below).



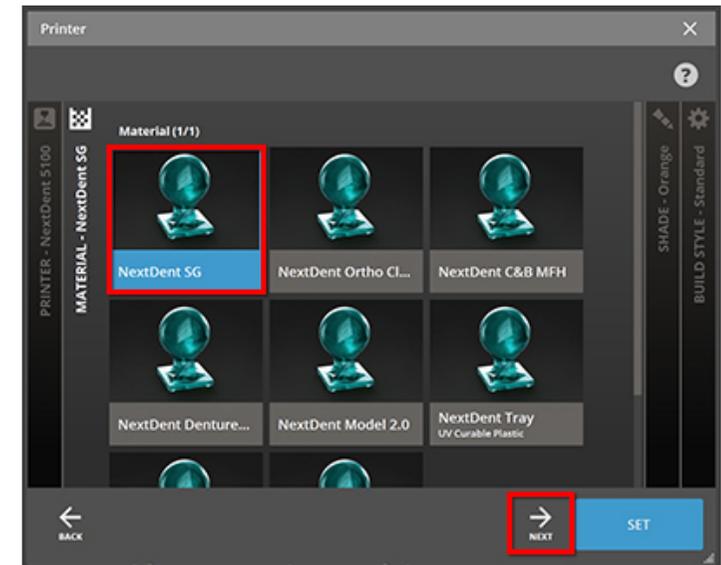
4. Click the **NextDent 5100** icon (4) that comes up. Click **Next** (5).

 **NOTE:** You must make the printer's IP address an exception on your network's firewall.

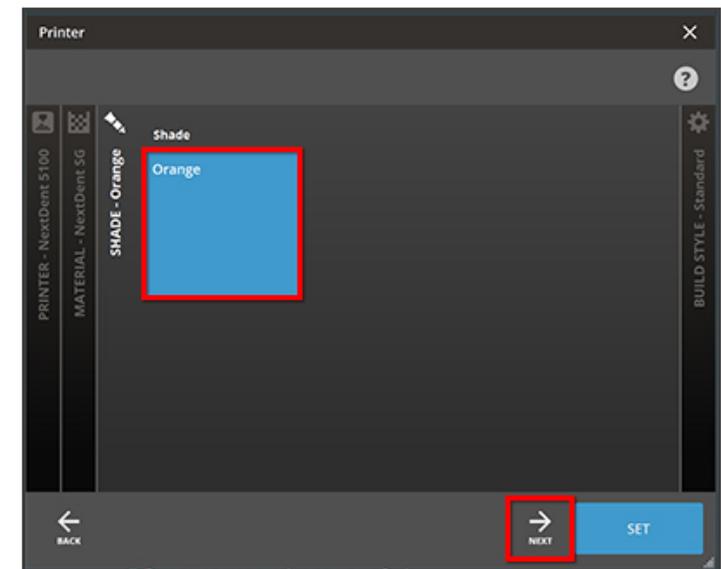


There are many different resins, resin shades, and print modes to choose from. Please see the [Print-Material Styles Chart](#) for an overview of these.

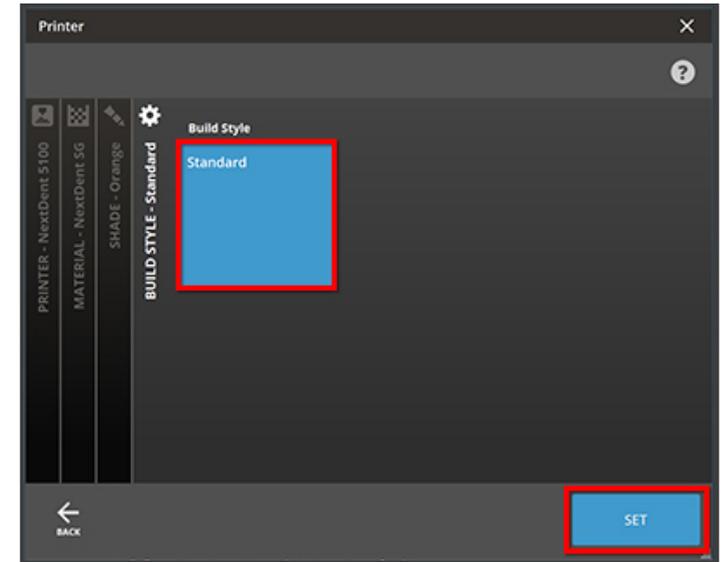
5. Click the icon of the **print material** you will use in your build. Click **Next**.



6. Click the icon of the resin shade you are using and click **Next**.



7. Click the icon of the **build style** you will use in your build. Click **Set**.



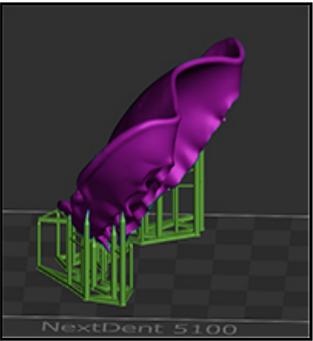
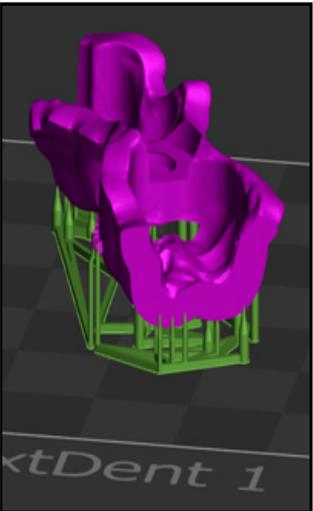
3D Sprint Part Orientation Guide

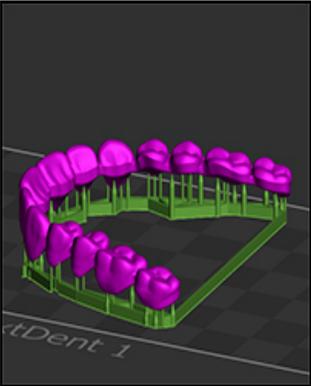
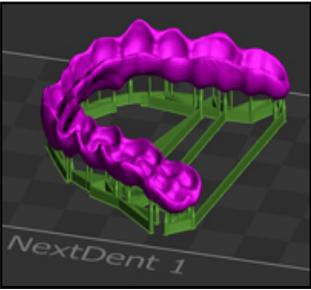
For each dental indication that can be printed on the NextDent 5100, part orientation in the part-preparation software is key. This section provides a quick reference for the best ways to orient parts in 3D Sprint for any print material available for the NextDent 5100. This will help ensure build success and maximum usage of the printable area.

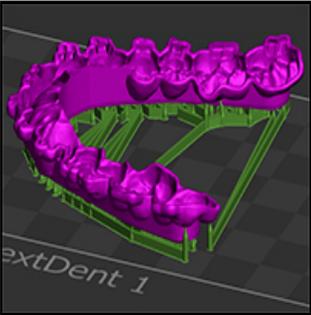
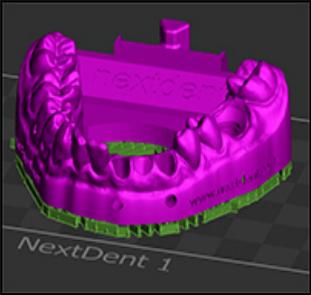


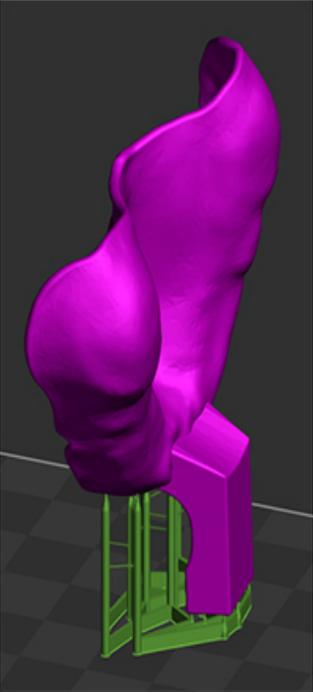
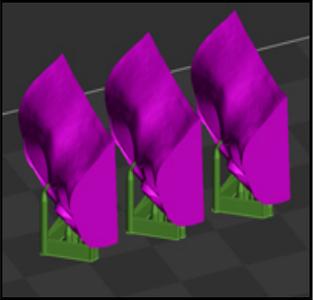
CAUTION: Do not attempt to build any other dental indication with a resin other than what that resin is specifically prescribed for. For example, do not use Denture 3D+ to build crowns and bridges. Doing so will result in a failed build and the part that prints will not have any medical certification.

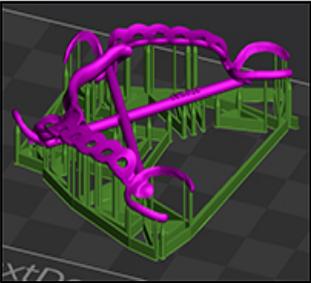
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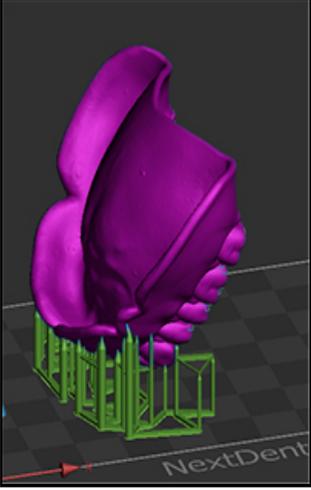
Indication	Build File Orientation	Number of Units on 124 x 70 mm Print Platform
Denture 3D+ (62mm height)	30° 	3-4
SG (Quarter, 24mm height)	Horizontal 	6

Indication	Build File Orientation	Number of Units on 124 x 70 mm Print Platform
C&B MFH (13mm height)	45° 	~45
C&B MFH - Full Dental Arch	Horizontal 	2
Ortho Rigid (14mm height)	Horizontal 	2

Indication	Build File Orientation	Number of Units on 124 x 70 mm Print Platform
Ortho IBT (11mm height)	Horizontal 	2
Model 2.0 Prothsodontic (23mm height)	Horizontal 	1-2

Indication	Build File Orientation	Number of Units on 124 x 70 mm Print Platform
Tray (71mm height)	Vertical 	3-4
Gingiva Mask	Vertical 	~20

Indication	Build File Orientation	Number of Units on 124 x 70 mm Print Platform
Cast - Coping (crown) (13mm height)	45° 	~45
Cast - Replaceable Partial Denture (16mm height)	Horizontal 	2-3

Indication	Build File Orientation	Number of Units on 124 x 70 mm Print Platform
Try-In	30° 	3-4

Print-Material Styles Chart

The following chart summarizes the different combinations of resins, resin shades, and build styles that are available to choose from in 3D Sprint. Other shades and build styles may be added in the future.

Print Material	Print-Material Shade	Available Build Styles
NextDent Model 2.0	White Peach Grey	Prosthodontic Orthodontic, Prosthodontic Orthodontic, Prosthodontic
NextDent Surgical Guide	Orange	Standard

Print Material	Print-Material Shade	Available Build Styles
NextDent C&B MFH	N1 N1.5 N2 N2.5 N3 BL	Standard
NextDent Try-In	TI0 TI1 TI2	Standard
NextDent Denture 3D+TEST	Dark Pink Red Pink Light Pink Opaque Pink	Standard
NextDent Cast	Purple	Standard
NextDent Gingiva Mask	Pink	Standard
NextDent Tray	Blue Pink	Standard
NextDent Ortho IBT	Clear	Standard
NextDent Ortho Rigid	Transparent Blue	Standard

Accuracy Wizard

For each NextDent material, the Standard print mode in 3D Sprint is designed to give you accurate prints right out of the box. Please use the Standard print mode first and foremost to achieve part accuracy. However, if after measuring your parts you find that you have issues achieving accuracy, you may use the Accuracy Wizard in 3D Sprint to troubleshoot such issues.

Each NextDent 5100 printer will vary slightly in accuracy. If you have multiple printers, you will need to set the accuracy for each one separately. To do this, click the **Printer** icon in the upper left, select each printer one-by-one, and run the steps in this section for each. Additionally, you will need to run the wizard for each Material/Build Style combination you use.



NOTE: Best Practices for using calipers on printed parts is demonstrated here (advance video to 2:38).

1. Click the **Load Reference** button to load the accuracy models that will be printed.



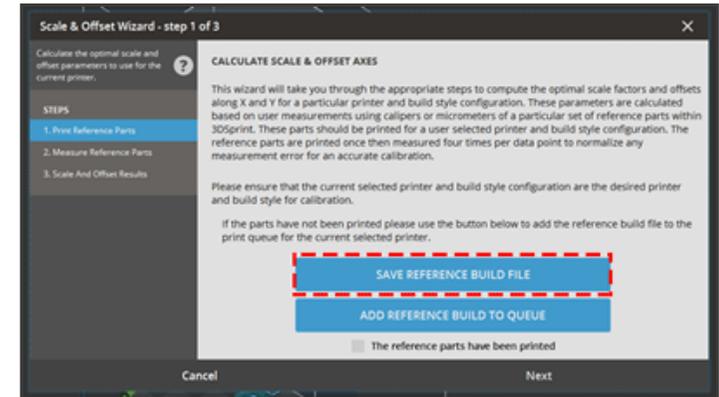
2. Click the **Build Style** button.



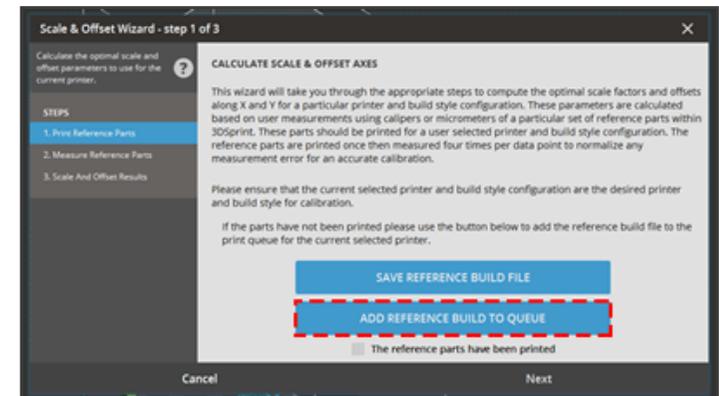
3. In the Build Style window, click the **Scale & Offset Wizard** button.



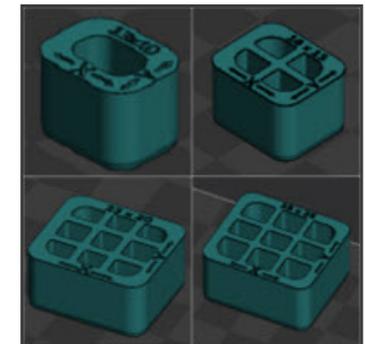
4. In the Wizard, click **Save Reference Build File**. Name the file and save it in the desired location. The file will be output as a .pxl file that already has supporting architecture and the correct print orientation.



5. If you are connected to the printer, click **ADD REFERENCE BUILD TO QUEUE**. The file that you created will show on the touch screen in the printer's queue

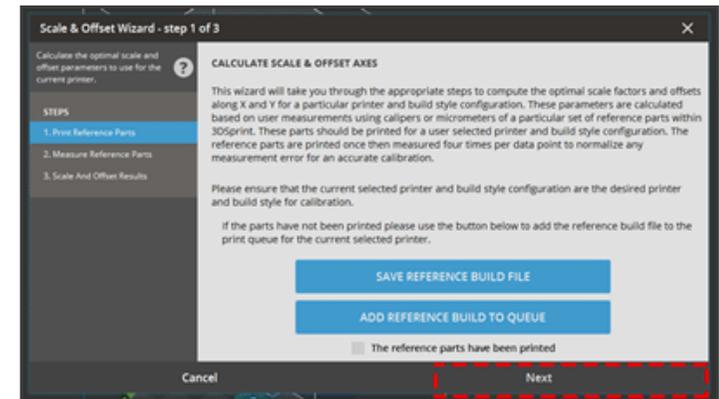


6. Run the printing process, as outlined in the section [Start Printing](#). This will print four parts that look like the models at the right. They should be roughly (clockwise from top-left) 13x10mm, 18x15mm, 23x20mm, 28x25mm. The dimensions and x/y axes will be printed on the part. Post-process the parts as in the section [Post Processing](#).

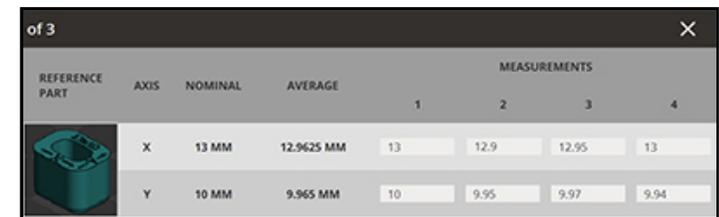


 **NOTE:** Some printer configurations will print five models. Be sure to include this model's measurements in future Steps in the wizard.

7. Open 3D Sprint again and click the **Scale & Offset Wizard** button to open it. This time, instead of saving a reference build file, you will click the **Next** button.



8. Measure the parts printed in **Step 6** with calipers or a micrometer in the X and Y directions (Refer to [this video](#), at timestamp 2:38, for proper caliper usage). You will measure the parts four times each in X and Y and input your measurements in the fields in the wizard that correspond to the part you are measuring. You will notice that every time you enter a value, the number in the "Average" column updates to show you the average of your measurements.



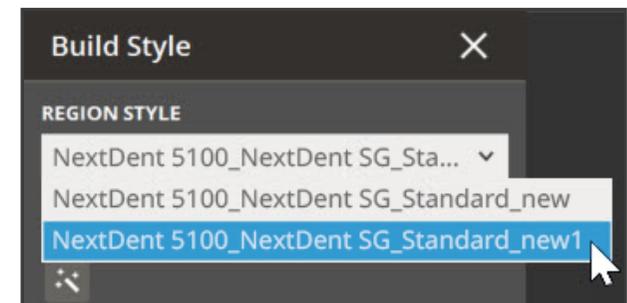
9. Repeat this process for each of the models and click **Next** when you are finished.

10. You will then see the results screen, which will show you how much the printer will now offset builds with this build style. It also shows you the scaling corrections as a percent. Click the **Apply** button to add this scaling to your new build style (see Step 12).

AXIS	OFFSET	SCALE
X	-0.0029 mm	100.2305
Y	0.0256 mm	99.9251

11. You will now be able to select this style from the **Build Style** menu going forward, allowing you to build with these scale factors at any time.

12. Remember that the Build Style is tied to the print material you are using. If you use a different print material on another print job, you will need to run this wizard again for that material. The software will automatically create/name the new build style; but you can click the **Rename** button to rename it.



13. When you select this build style in the future, you can verify that it is the style with scale factors applied by looking at the **Scaling Factor** fields in the **Build Style** window.

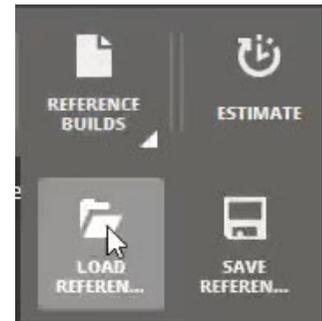


14. Click **File > Save** to save your work.

15. At any time, you can verify that your accuracy values are still valid by running the verification .pxl file again. Go to **Reference Builds > Load Reference Build File**. This will automatically place the reference build parts onto the platform with proper supports and orientation.

16. Click the **Add to Queue** button to send the .pxl file to the printer.

17. Run the printing process, as outlined in the section **Start Printing**. This will print the four parts from **Step 15**. The dimensions and x/y axes will be printed on the part. Post-process the parts as in the section **Post Processing**.



18. Use your calipers or micrometer to measure the parts. If they are not accurate, run **Steps 8-10** once more.

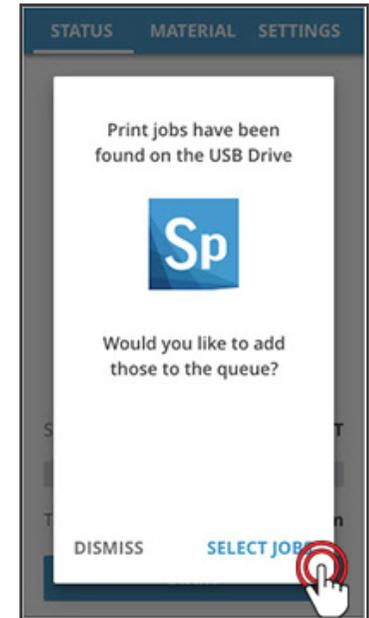
Submit Build File via USB

If you do not want to submit your build file over a network, you may save the build file to a USB drive and upload it to the printer. This section assumes you have prepared the build file in **3D Sprint** and transferred the file to a USB device.

 **NOTE:** The printer only accepts USB drives formatted in FAT32 or NTFS. If you experience issues with the printer reading your USB device, you can troubleshoot by turning the power switch on the back of the printer off, and then on again. If you continue to experience issues, contact your reseller.

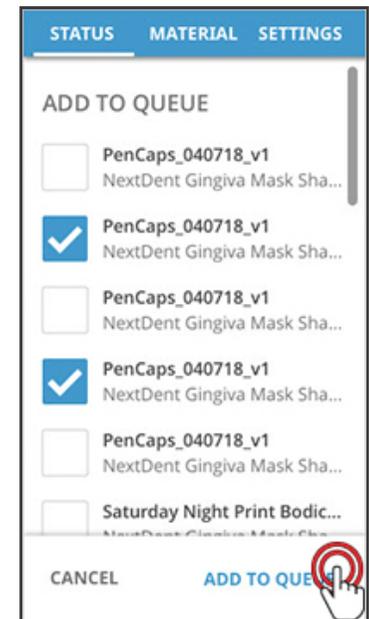
1. At any time, even during printing, you may insert a USB device with .pxl files on it. The printer will automatically look for these files and show the screen at the right if it finds them. Tap **Dismiss** if you do not wish to transfer USB files at this time. Tap **Select Jobs** to bring up a list of the .pxl files on the USB device.

 **NOTE: Only .pxl build files will work on the printer.**

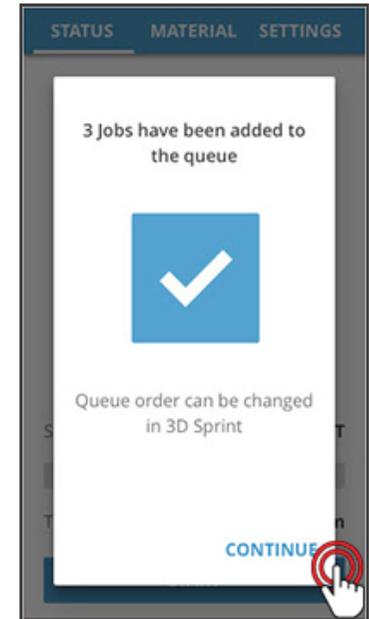


2. Tap the checkbox next to each print job you wish to add to the printer queue. When you have selected all the files you wish to add to the queue, tap **Add to Queue**.

 **NOTE: The printer can store up to 32 queued jobs at a time.**



3. You will see a screen like the one at the right to confirm that your jobs have been added to the print queue. Tap **Continue** to go back to the screen the printer was on before this process.



3D Sprint Additional Documentation

Click the  icon, or press **F1**, in 3D Sprint for information on:

- Adding a new printer
- Adding a virtual printer
- Removing a printer
- Choosing a printer for a print job
- Updating firmware
- Sending a print job to the printer
- User Interface explanations

Operation

The following sections will guide you through:

- Touch Screen Interface
- Preparing and Installing the Resin Tray
- Preparing and Installing the Print Platform
- Beginning a Print Job
- Changing the Air Filter and Carbon Filter

Touch Screen Overview



The NextDent 5100 has a touch-screen-based Graphical User Interface (GUI), which is used to control the actions of the printer and adjust printer settings. Please use the following guidelines when using the GUI.

1. The touchscreen is a 4.3" LCD PCAP Capacitive Touch Screen, meaning that it registers an input whenever something holding an electric charge (like fingers) touches it. Touch input has been tested to work with lab-quality, powder-free gloves; however, you should ensure that you do not touch the screen if you have recently handled uncured resin or partially cured printed parts. This is to keep the complete functionality of the screen intact and to not contaminate it.
2. If resin does get on the screen, clean immediately with >90% alcohol solvent and a nonabrasive cloth.
3. To wipe fingerprints off the touch screen, use a microfiber cloth.

4. Do not attempt to remove the touch screen or its casing from the printer.

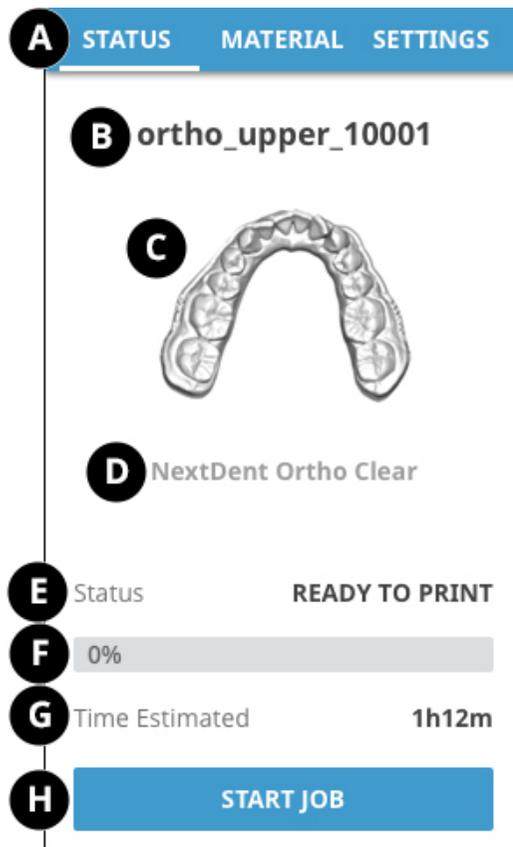
5. If the touch screen becomes damaged to the point of not functioning properly, cease printing and contact 3D Systems' Service.

The GUI has three tabs with different functionality:

1. Status
2. Material
3. Settings

Status Tab

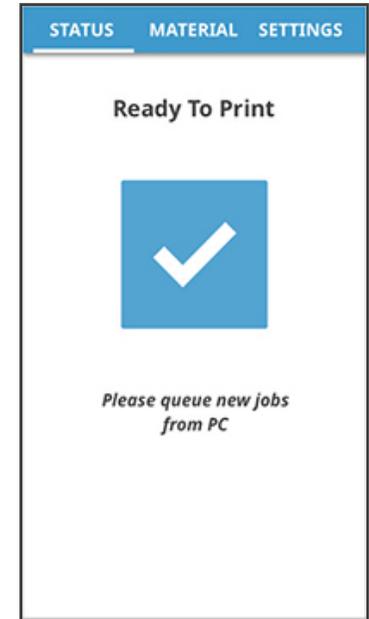
When you have print jobs in your 3D Sprint print queue and there is a material type loaded in the printer's memory, the status screen will look like this:



- A Status Tab** - Tap this tab at any time to return to the "Status" screen.
- B Build File Name** - The name of the build file sent over from 3D Sprint.
- C Print Preview** - Shows the 3D model currently being printed
- D Current Resin** - This is the resin that is currently loaded on the printer.
- E Status** - The text shows the current state the printer is in
- F Progress Bar** - Shows the percent complete of the current print job
- G Time Estimated** - Time the printer should take to build the current job. This changes to **Time Remaining** when the job is being printed.
- H Start Job Button** - Tap this button to start the print setup process

First Time Turning Printer On

When you first power on the printer, it will not have any pending jobs or print material loaded. So the status screen will appear like the image at the right. At this point, you should queue print jobs in 3D Sprint and add print material either during the print process or from the **Material** tab.



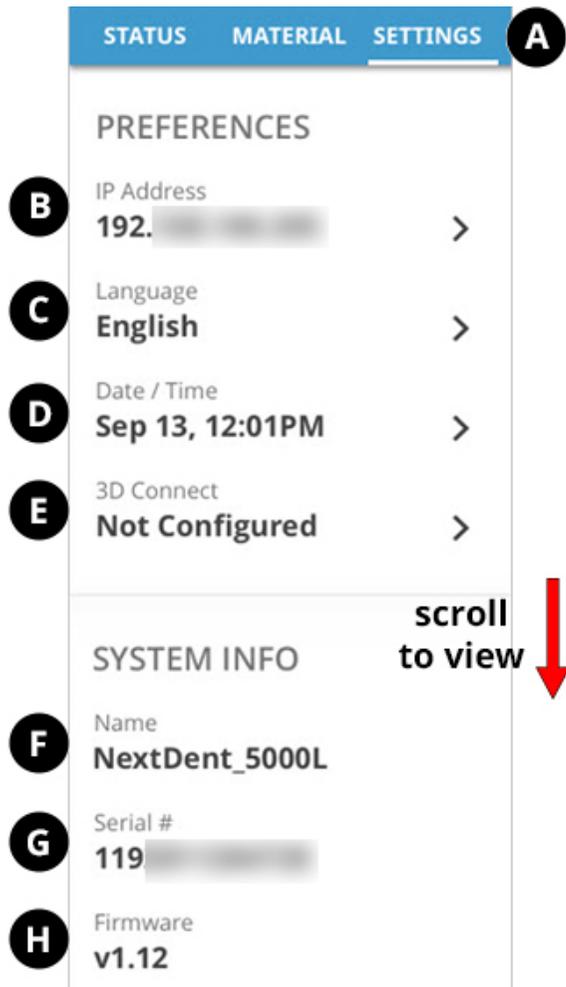
Material Tab

The Material Tab contains information on the material that is currently loaded in the system for printing, and also allows you to change the material you wish to print with. However, you do not have to use this screen to change materials, as the printing process gives you the opportunity to do so. The printer will keep track of how much material is left in each bottle of material that has been scanned to the machine. It will also keep track of the expiration dates of your materials.



- A Material Tab** - Tap this tab to access the menu and its options
- B Material Name** - The name of the material that is currently set for printing appears here. While the printer will keep track of the status of multiple bottles, the printer may only be set up to print with one bottle at a time. See the section [Add/Change Print Material](#) for more information.
- C Material Part Example** - This display demonstrates what a part printed with this material could look like.
- D Lot Number** - Also called the "batch number," this refers to the batch of material that your bottle was sourced from.
- E Expiry Date** - The expiration date of the material. After this date, the material is no longer certified to print parts used as medical devices.
- F Change Material** - Please see the section [Add/Change Print Material](#).

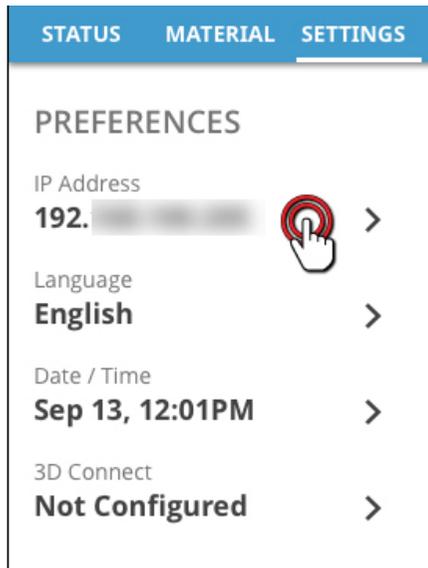
Settings Tab



- A Settings Tab** - Tap this tab at any time to view/change the printer settings.
- B IP Address** - The IP address assigned to your printer. Use this address if 3D Sprint has trouble finding your printer on your network.
- C Language** - Select your preferred display language for the touch screen.
- D Date/Time** - Select your time zone. As long as the printer is connected to a network, it will set the date and time automatically based on your selection.
- E 3D Connect** - This feature not yet available on the printer. It will allow remote operation of the printer.
- F Name** - The name you gave your printer in 3D Sprint.
- G Serial #** - The serial number assigned to your printer. Use this number to sign up for printer documentation on support.3dsystems.com.
- H Firmware** - Tells the firmware version your printer is running

Network Settings

Tap the IP address tab to enter the **Network Settings** screen.



- A** **MAC Address** - A hardware address for the network adapter in the printer's computer. For display only. This number cannot be changed through this interface.
- B** **IP Address** - The numerical address given to your printer on your network. For display only. This number cannot be changed through this interface.
- C** **DHCP** - a network protocol that enables a server to automatically assign an IP address to a computer from a defined range of numbers (i.e., a scope) configured for a given network. Uncheck this box to enable editing of the IP Address, Subnet Mask, Gateway, and DNS Servers.
- D** **Subnet Mask** - hides, or "masks," the network part of a system's IP address and leaves only the host part as the machine identifier. Contact your network administrator if there is a need to change this number.

- E Gateway** - a router interface connected to the local network that sends packets out of the local network. For display only. This number cannot be changed through this interface.
- F DNS Servers** - the internet's system for converting alphabetic names into numeric IP addresses. For display only. This number cannot be changed through this interface.
- G Done Button** - Tap this button to keep all your changes and go back to the **Settings** home screen.

Automatic Updates

There are two ways to update the printer firmware:

- USB file upload
- Through the 3D Sprint interface

The following sections describe these processes.

Update Printer Firmware via USB

This section describes how to update the printer via USB.



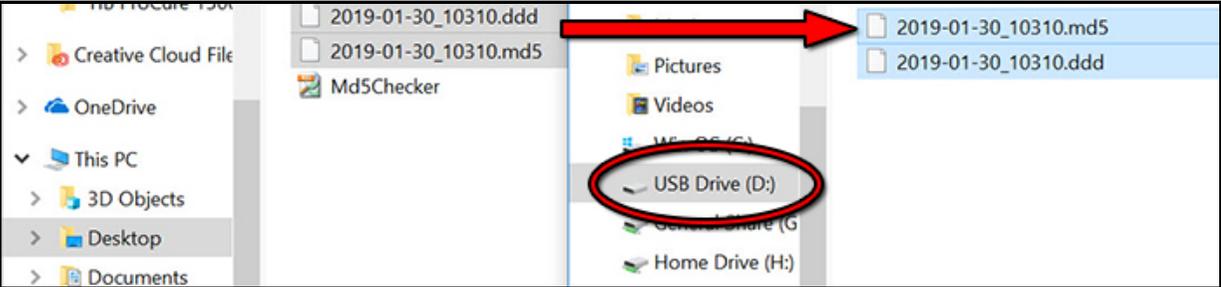
NOTE: The printer only accepts USB drives formatted in FAT-32 or exFAT (NTFS is not supported). If you experience issues with the printer reading your USB device, you can troubleshoot by turning the power switch on the back of the printer off, and then on again. If you continue to experience issues, contact your reseller.

1. The most-up-to-date firmware can always be [found here](#). Click the link to download the firmware **.zip** file.

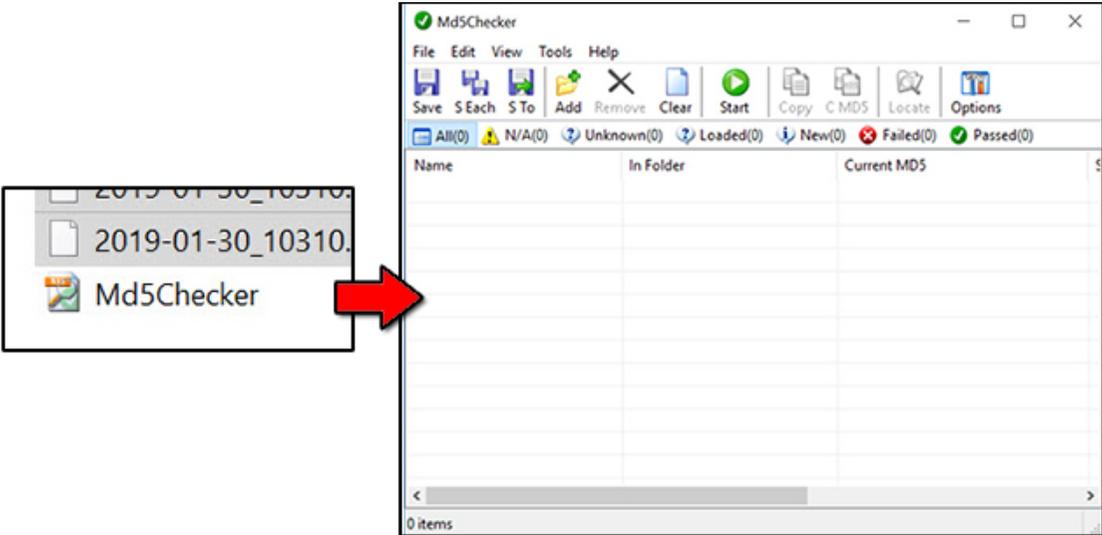
Download the Latest Software:
We are happy to announce that **3D Sprint** has now functioning 30 day trial version of 3D Sprint, but yo

NextDent 5100
Latest firmware version: v1.0.3 [Download](#)
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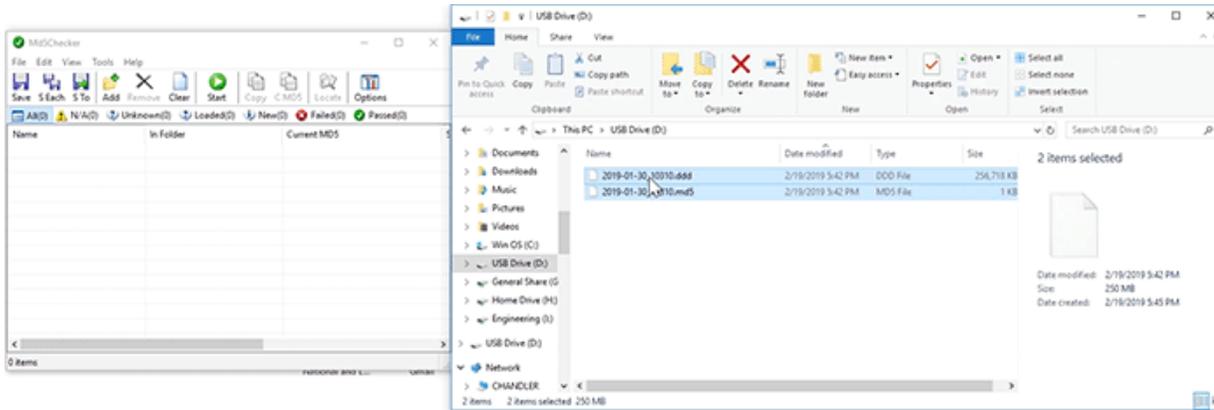
2. Using Windows, extract the .zip file and copy the resulting .ddd file and .md5 file to your USB drive.



3. Double-click **Md5Checker.exe** to open the checker tool.



4. Drag and drop the .ddd file and .md5 file **from your USB** into the table section of the checker tool. You must check the file on the USB, as opposed to a file on your computer, because the USB file is the one you will upload to your printer later.



5. The checker tool will automatically check the .ddd file.

- a. If the .ddd file is valid, you will see a **green/white checkbox** next to the filename. Proceed to Step 6.
- b. If the green/white checkbox does not appear, it is considered as failing the check. Delete the .zip file from Windows, and delete the unzipped files from your USB drive. Start the procedure again from Step 1.



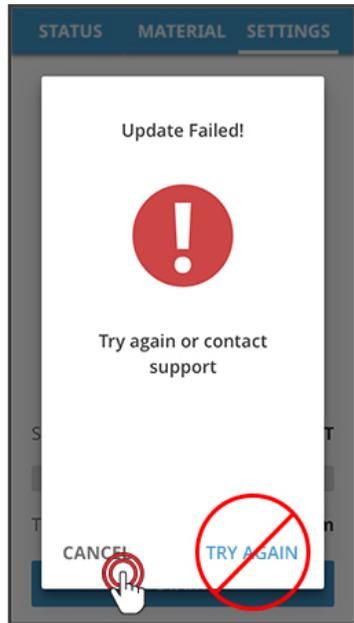
6. In the Windows System Tray, navigate to the option to “Safely Remove Hardware” and select **Eject Mass Storage**. Windows 10 is shown here. After you have done this, remove the USB from your computer.



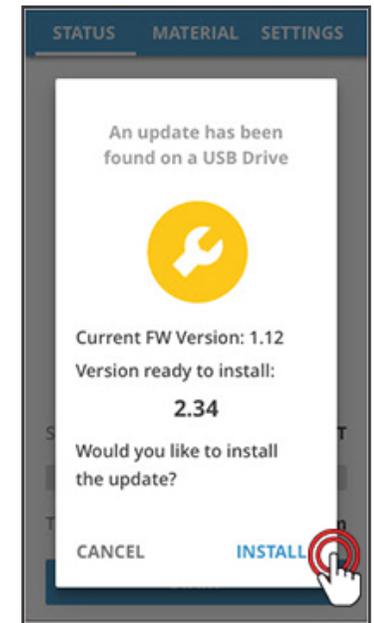
7. While the printer is turned on and not printing, you may insert a USB drive at any time to initiate the update. The printer will automatically search the drive for an update file and will show the screen at the right when it finds one. **Do not remove the USB drive from the printer until you see the screen at the right.** This can take up to 15 minutes;

but the typical time is much shorter. Tap the **Install** button to perform the installation. If the upgrade installation fails, one of two scenarios will occur:

- a. If running firmware **1.0.2** or lower, the **Update Failed** screen will feature a **Try Again** button. Do NOT tap the Try Again button. Instead, unplug your USB drive, tap **Cancel**, and reinsert the USB drive. Then try the upgrade again. If you continue to experience a failed update, contact your Reseller.

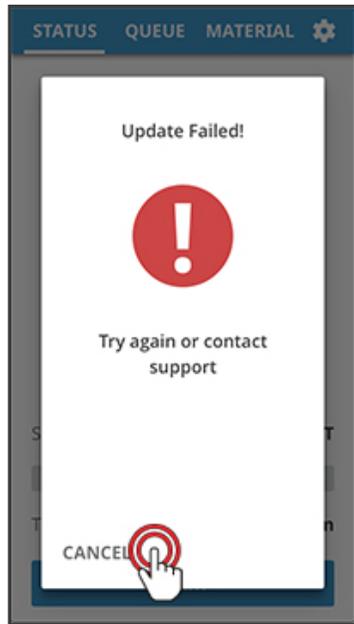


- b. If running firmware **1.0.4** or higher, the **Try Again** button will have been removed from the screen. Unplug your USB drive, tap **Cancel**, and reinsert the USB drive. Then try the upgrade again. If you continue to experience a

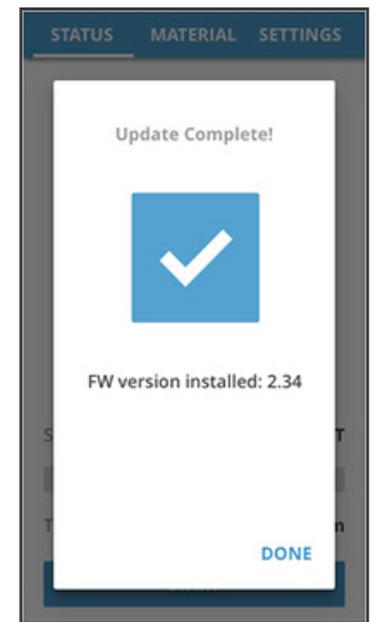


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failed update, contact your Reseller.



8. If the installation completed successfully, you will see the screen at the right. You can always check the firmware version you are running by going to the **Settings** tab.



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Update Printer Firmware via 3D Sprint

Whenever you open 3D Sprint, as long as the NextDent 5100 is set as your default printer, the system will always check to see if your printer has the most up-to-date firmware. If the firmware is not up-to-date, Sprint will show you a popup prompt to update it. Click the button to update. If you choose to update the firmware at a later date, please close the popup and follow the instructions below when you are ready to update.



NOTE: Both your 3D Sprint computer and the printer must be on the same network to update the printer's firmware.

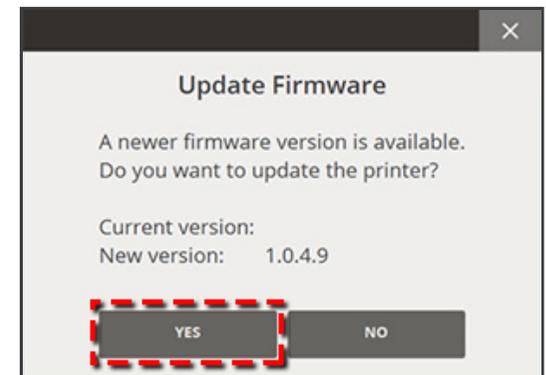
1. Click the **Printer Tools** button.



2. Click the **Check for Updates** button. This will either give you a popup to update the printer's firmware or a popup that will tell you that the printer's firmware is up to date.



3. If there is new firmware, click **Yes** to install.



4. Perform this update for all NextDent 5100 printers at your facility, as needed.

Start Printing

Prepare Build File in 3D Sprint

Before printing can begin, you must prepare a 3D model in **3D Sprint**, slice the file, and export the sliced file to the printer. When in the 3D Sprint Software, you can click the



icon, or press **F1**, for full software instructions.

Printing for the First Time

If you are building for the first time on the printer, the [Quick-Start Guide](#) will walk you through running a verification build to ensure the printer is functioning normally. It is highly recommended to print this part before attempting any other builds on the printer. This build is not meant to test the printed parts for accuracy. To test accuracy, please follow the instructions in the section [Accuracy Wizard](#).



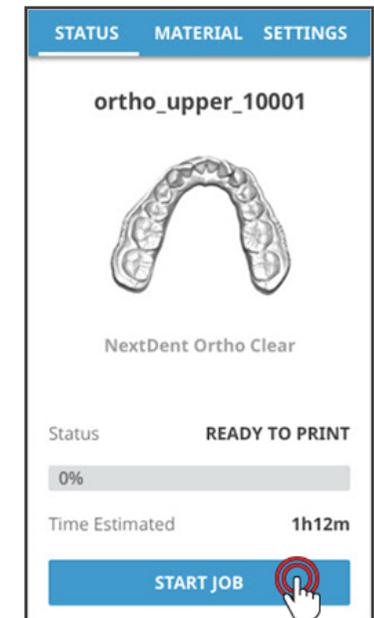
CAUTION: Do not run this test print without resin in the resin tray. It is necessary to print the part and observe part quality to ensure that the test print was a success.

Print Process

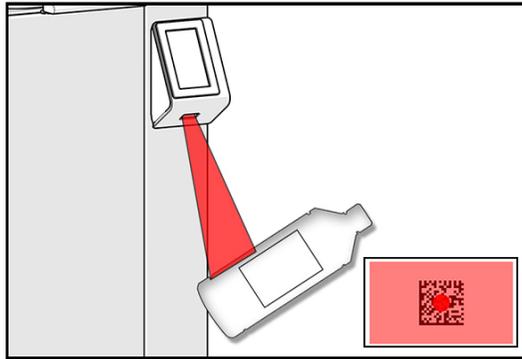
1. Once you have sent a build file to the printer from **3D Sprint**, the printer's Status screen will look like the screen at the right. Tap the **Start Job** button.



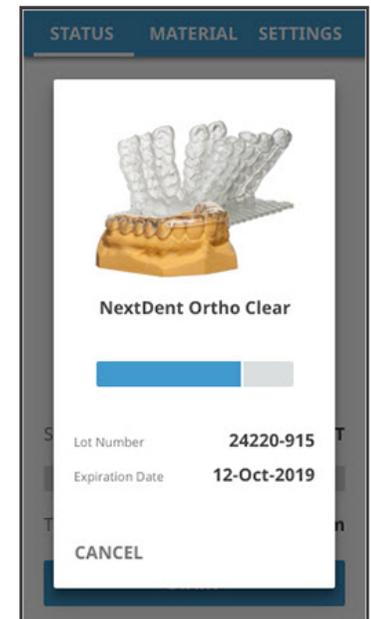
NOTE: If the pending print job requires a resin that is different than the one loaded on the printer, you will be prompted to take steps to change the loaded print material, as seen in the section [Change Material Before Printing](#).



2. The QR-code scanner below the touch screen will be activated and the printer will ask you to scan a bottle of the print material sent over in the build file from 3D Sprint. You will see a screen similar to the one at the right. Ensure you are scanning the correct material bottle and hold the bottle's QR code in the path of the scanner such that the center dot is in the middle of the QR code.



3. If the scan is successful, you will see a screen similar to the one at the right. If the scan is not successful, this could be due to a few different reasons, which are outlined in the section [Bottle Scanning Errors](#).

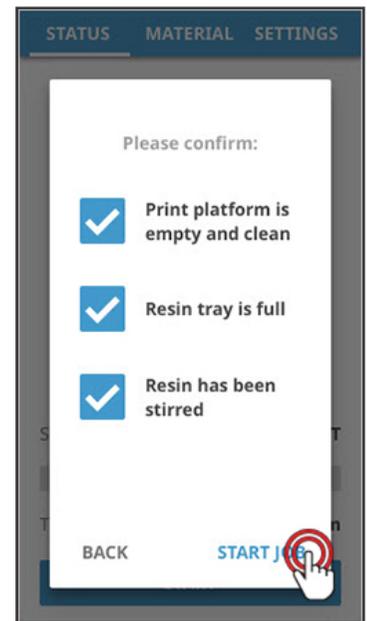


4. The printer will remind you to perform three tasks before proceeding with the print job. Tap each check box as you perform each task.

- a. Empty and clean print platform, as in the section [Clean Print Platform](#).
- b. Mix the material, as in the section [Mix/Stir the Print Material](#). This refers both to stirring the material that is currently present in the resin tray and mixing the material that is in the bottle.
- c. Fill the resin tray from the material bottle you just scanned, as in the section [Fill Resin Tray With Material](#).



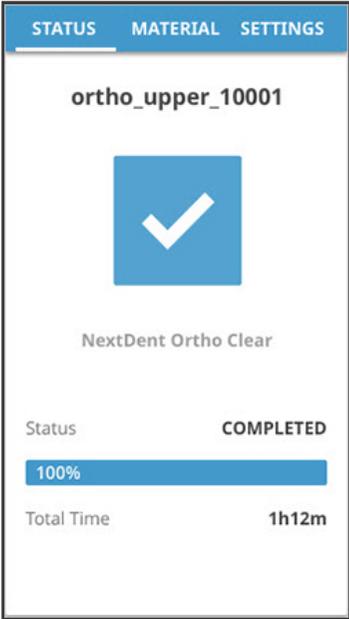
5. Tap **Start Job** button.



6. You will see a screen like the one at the right, with the progress bar showing the "percent complete" of the print job. You will also see a print preview of what is currently printing. You may abort the print job at any time by tapping the **Abort** button. Please see the section [Abort a Print Job](#) for more information.



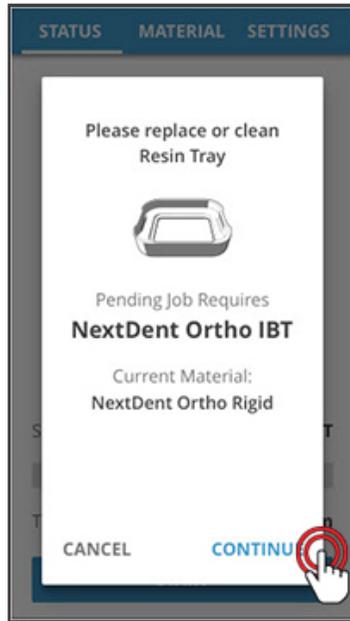
7. Once the job has completed, you will see a screen like the one at the right. Please proceed to the section [Post Processing](#).



Change Material Before Printing

If the print job sent over from 3D Sprint uses a different print material than that loaded on the printer, one of two screens will pop up, prompting you to take certain actions:

Pending Job Requires a Different Material - Materials Compatible



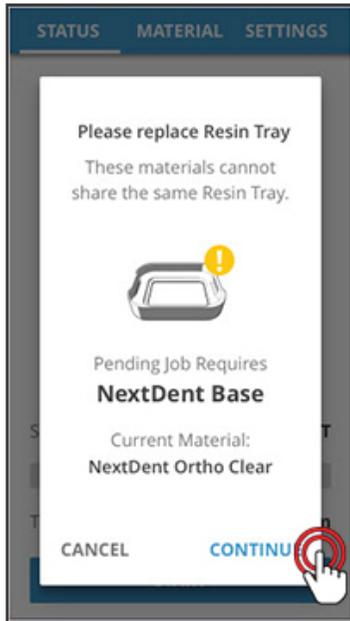
When you see this screen, it means that the material currently loaded on the printer is not the same material that was sent over in the build file AND that the new material and the old material **ARE** compatible with the same resin tray, according to the section [Resin Tray Material Cross-Usage](#). You must now:

1. Either replace the resin tray or clean it as seen in the section [Clean Resin Tray](#). Install the new or cleaned resin tray. Once you have done this, tap **Continue**.
2. You will see a screen similar to the one below:



3. Scan your material bottle, as in Step 2 of the section [Start Printing](#). Continue with Step 3 of the printing steps in that section.

Pending Job Requires a Different Material - Materials NOT Compatible



When you see this screen, it means that the material currently loaded on the printer is not the same material that was sent over in the build file AND that the new material and the old material are **NOT** compatible with the same resin tray, according to the section [Resin Tray Material Cross-Usage](#). You must now:

1. Replace the resin tray. Once you have done this, tap **Continue**.
2. You will see a screen similar to the one below:



3. Scan your material bottle, as in Step 2 of the section [Start Printing](#). Continue with Step 3 of the printing steps in that section.

QR Code Override

When you scan a bottle's QR code, there could be an error in reading the code itself. You should contact 3D Systems Customer Service to let them know you have a faulty QR code on your bottle. However, it is possible to continue printing for a limited number of builds by overriding the QR code requirement. This section describes how to access QR code override.

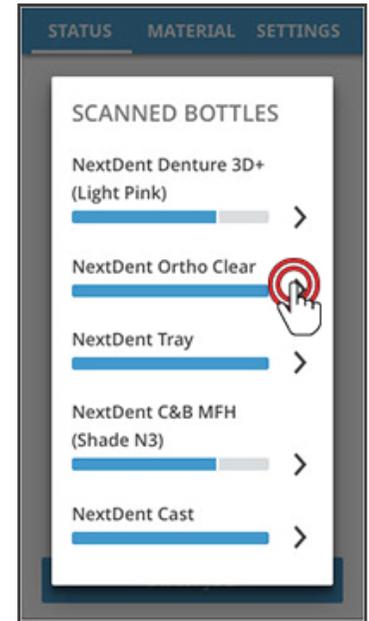
1. The first time you experience a scanning error, you will see a screen similar to the one at the right. This can happen if the printer determines it cannot read the code, or if the printer has not read the code within 30 seconds of the scanner being activated.



2. The second time you experience a scanning error, you will see a screen like the one at the right. Tap **Try Again** to scan the bottle again. Tap **Select Bottle** to go to the QR Code Override screen.



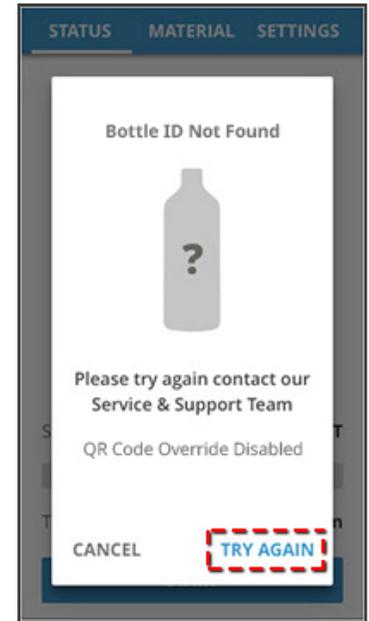
3. If you tapped Select Bottle in Step 2, you will see the screen at the right. This screen shows a list of the last 20 unique bottles scanned to the printer that have not been marked as "empty." Tap the **bottle** that matches the resin you are using. If you do not see your resin listed, contact 3D Systems Customer Service.



4. Once you have selected a bottle, you will see a confirmation screen like the one at the right. Tap **Select** to confirm the bottle. The printer will then pick up with Step 4 from the section [Start Printing](#).



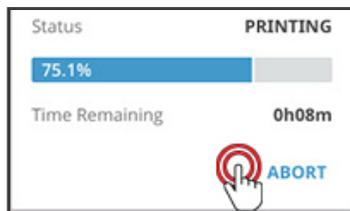
5. If you have exceeded the amount of overrides the system allows, you will see a screen like the one at the right and will not be allowed to override the QR code requirement anymore. Tap **Try Again** to scan your bottle again or scan a new bottle. Contact 3D Systems Customer Service for more information.



Abort a Print Job

There are two ways that you may abort the print job:

1. Trip a printer sensor during a print.
2. Tap the **Abort** button on the touch screen:



Safety Sensor is Tripped

The printer has three safety sensors that, when tripped, will abort the current print job without warning. In any of these cases, you will see the screen at the right and the elevator will move to the offload position.

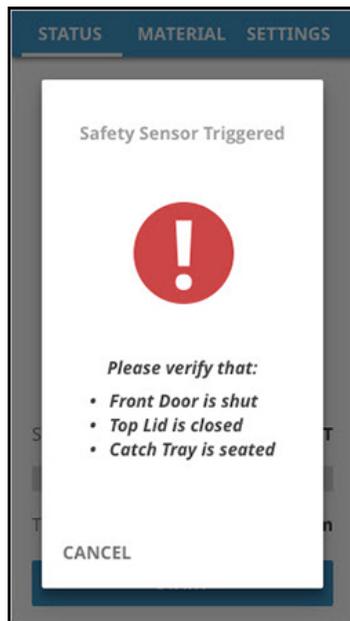
1. **Lid** - Because the resin cures with UV light, exposure of the printed part during printing to any other light besides that of the projector can cause a failed build and can cure the resin in the resin tray. For this reason, if you open the printer lid or lower-chamber door during printing, the print job will be aborted.
2. **Front Door** - To avoid operator exposure to optical radiation, the printer will also abort the current job if the front door of the printer is opened during printing.
3. **Catch Tray** - In the unlikely event that the catch-tray sensor malfunctions during a build, or if the catch tray becomes loose during a build, the print job will abort to protect the bottom of the print engine.



CAUTION: Take care not to place the printer in a place where it might be run into or shaken, causing any of the above actions to happen accidentally.



One of the three sensors might also trip just after you press the **Start Job** button in Step 5 of the section [Start Printing](#). This will abort the pending job and you will see the screen below:

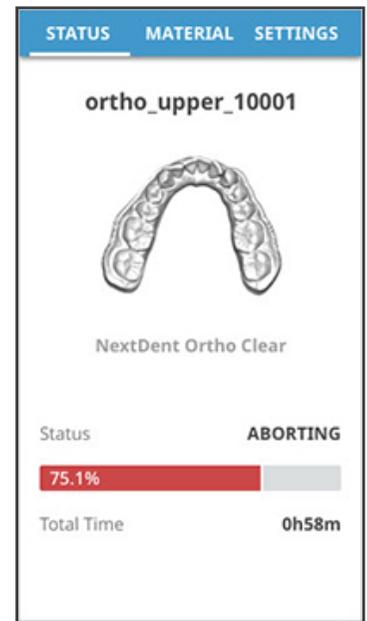


Tap "Abort" Button

1. Tapping the **Abort** button during a print will not immediately abort the print. You will see the popup at the right. Tapping the **Abort** button on this screen will abort the job. There is no further warning.

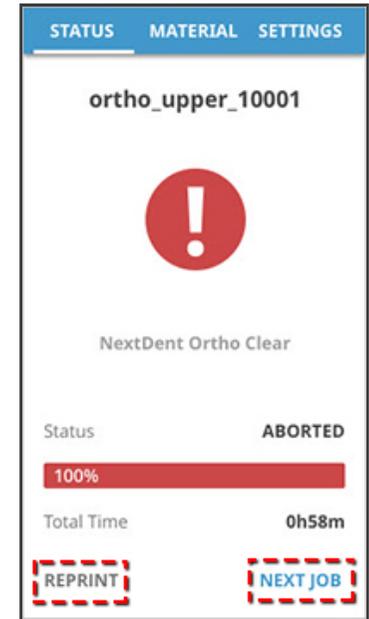


2. You will see the screen at the right and the elevator will stop.



1. Once the build is aborted in either case, the printer's **Status** screen will appear like the one at the right. You can take the following actions:

- a. Tap the **Reprint** button to restart the build. This will begin the printing process again from Step 1 in the section [Start Printing](#).
- b. Tap the **Next Job** button to prepare the printer for accepting a new build.



Prepare and Install the Resin Tray

Resin Tray Guidelines

The membrane contained within each resin tray is the most fragile component of the NextDent 5100 Printer. It must be handled with care. Follow all resin-tray guidelines and procedures to avoid membrane damage and failure.



HARMFUL IRRITANT WARNING: WEAR PROTECTIVE CLOTHING, DISPOSABLE NITRILE GLOVES, AND GOGGLES WHILE HANDLING THE RESIN TRAY.



CAUTION: If a leak/spill occurs, do not run the machine. UV curing will harden the resin on unwanted surfaces and will make the resin very hard to remove. A nonabrasive cloth and >90% alcohol solvent will help clean up any spilled uncured resin.



CAUTION: Failure to clean the resin tray of partially cured resin will lead to membrane failure and failed prints.

1. Expected lifetime of the resin tray is around 900 builds.
2. Do not apply pressure to the membrane. Deformations form easily and permanently, and may lead to membrane failure and degradation of print quality. Never touch the membrane with sharp objects.

3. Do not touch the membrane with bare skin. Skin oils may cause print-quality degradation.
4. Always verify that all printed parts and supports have been accounted for after a build. Be sure to inspect the resin tray for partially cured material. Cured material (also called **green material**) that is clear, or tiny bits of cured material may not be visible to the naked eye. If you suspect that partially cured material might be present in the tray, you must clean the tray before building again.
5. Do not allow the resin tray to run out of print material during a print, as this will result in build failure. Do not add resin during part building. Resin in the bottle will be a different temperature than resin in the tray during building. This may cause undesirable build quality and/or build failure.
6. With thorough cleaning of the resin tray in between builds, it is possible to use different resins in the same resin tray (not at the same time). Please see the section [Resin Tray Resin Cross-Usage](#) for information on which resins may share a single resin tray. Do not mix two or more types of resin in the resin tray. Doing so will cause both materials to become ineffective.
7. Avoid transporting a resin tray that is filled with resin so as to avoid spills. Always carry resin tray with both hands to help ensure that it does not drop on the floor. Any damage to the resin tray would mean that the resin tray needs to be replaced.
8. Do not move the printer while there is a resin tray inside that is filled with resin. Even moving the printer a few inches with resin inside can cause a resin spill.
9. Uncovered resin trays should not be left outside the NextDent 5100 Printer when containing any amount of print material. Material will cure when exposed to ambient light. Cured material is extremely difficult to remove from the resin-tray membrane without causing damage. If you store a resin tray containing material outside the printer, use the resin-tray garage and store the tray in a cool, dark place.
10. Resin overflow from the resin tray will be channeled into the catch tray. Discard the resin in the catch tray according to all government regulations.
11. Never pour resin from the resin tray back into its bottle, nor into any container of common material. Failure to follow this guideline risks contamination, and/or improper mixture, of print material in the bottle.
12. Always ensure the resin tray is clean of uncured liquid resin and partially cured bits before each print.
13. Always ensure that the resin tray is not damaged in any way, particularly on the membrane. Tray damage could cause build failure and/or resin leakage. Resin-tray damage can be: membrane puncture, dent, scratch or discoloration.

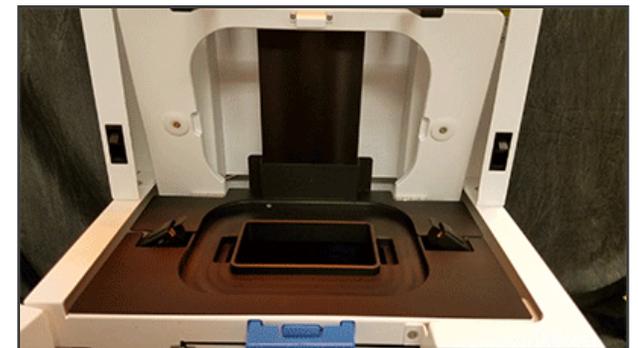
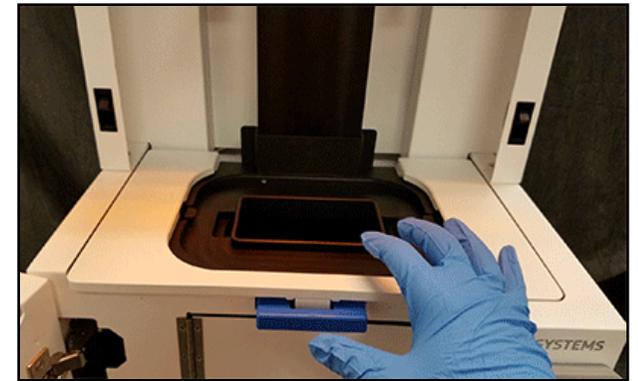
Install Resin Tray

 NOTE: A print platform should not be installed during this procedure.

 CAUTION: If tension system is damaged in some way, do not attempt to force any components to engage/disengage. Doing so could further damage the tension system, as well as other parts of the printer. Contact 3D Systems Service immediately.

 WEAR 100% NITRILE GLOVES WHENEVER REACHING INSIDE THE PRINT CHAMBER.

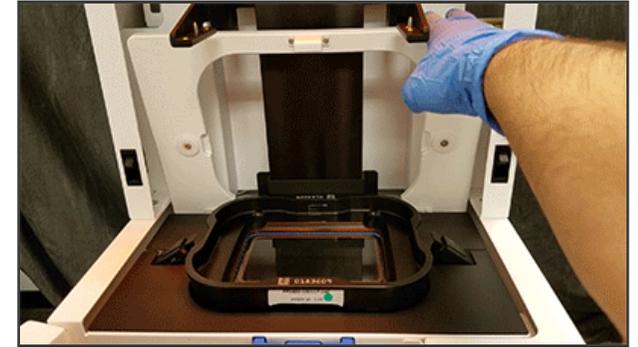
1. Open the front door of the printer.
2. Push in the tension-arm release lever on the front of the tension arm and lift up the tension arm. The arm will stay in place in the up position.
3. Carefully lower the resin tray into place, concave side up, as seen at the right. It should fit snugly in the holder on the chassis.



4. Apply tension to the membrane by flipping down the manual tension arm until the release lever locks it in place.



CAUTION: Major build defects and/or membrane failure will result if a print is attempted on an untensioned membrane.



Add/Change Print Material

Once a material type has been loaded, this is the material that the printer is expecting for the next print job. But you may wish to change the type of resin you are using. Most of the time, you will be changing the material as part of the [printing process](#). However, you can also tap the **Change Material** button at the bottom of the Material tab home screen to change the material type to be used on your next print. You can also use this screen to add print material for the first time. If you have not yet activated your printer, you must do so in order to get through the following steps. Please see the section [Printer Activation](#) for more information.



NOTE: The screens in this section will be slightly different depending on whether you are changing the material type or adding material for the first time.

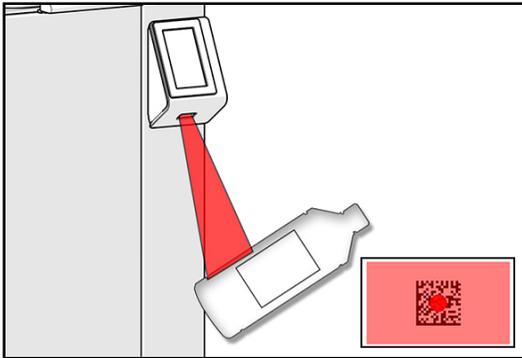
1. On the Material tab, tap the **Change Material** button.



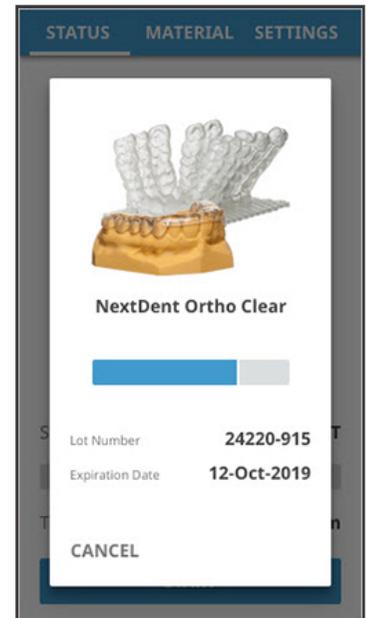
2. The scanner below the touch screen will be activated and you will see a screen like the one at the right. Hold your material bottle's QR code in the path of the scanner such that the center dot is in the middle of the QR code (see image below).



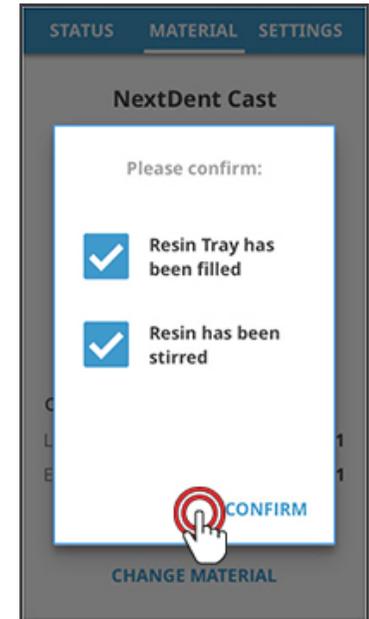
CAUTION: The printer keeps track of how much resin is used from your bottle. Ensure you are pouring from the same bottle you scanned. Using one bottle to scan and another to pour from will result in the printer thinking your bottle is empty after a certain amount of pours.



3. If the scan is successful, you will see the **Bottle Found** screen, like the one at the right. If the scan is not successful, this could be for a number of reasons, which are outlined in the section [Bottle Scanning Errors](#).



4. Perform the steps in the section [Physical Steps to Change the Print Material](#) and check the boxes on the screen as you go. Tap **Continue**.
5. This will bring you back to the Material tab, with your new material loaded.

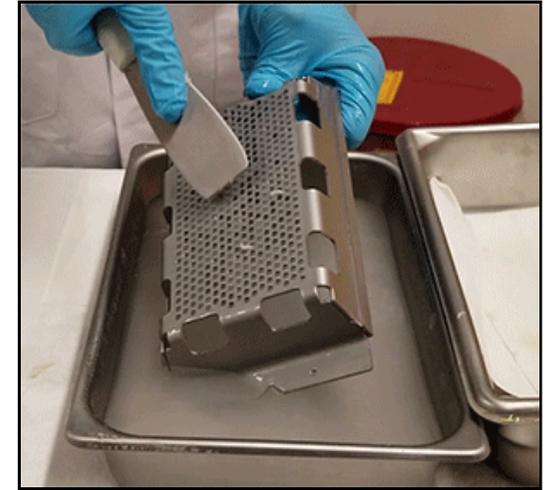


Physical Steps to Change Print Material

The NextDent 5100 can print with many different NextDent resins. Please see the section [Print Material Bottles](#) for a full list of supported resins. This section describes the steps that are necessary to cease using one resin type in the printer, and to begin using another resin type. You should have already scanned the new resin into the printer's memory in the previous section.

Resins can leave residual material in the resin tray, even when cleaned well. For this reason, some resins cannot be used in the same tray that held another resin type. The section [Resin Tray Material Cross-Usage](#) details which resins are compatible with each other and can be used in the same tray. If the resin you are switching to is not compatible with your original resin, you must use a new resin tray for the new resin. The following procedure will walk you through switching resins in both scenarios.

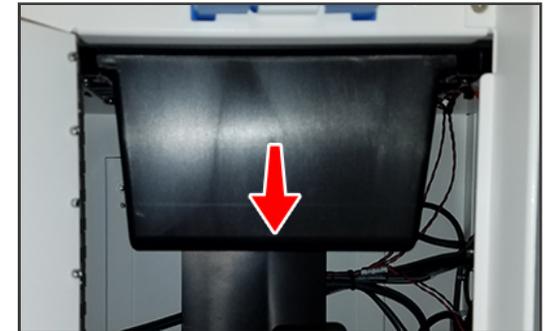
1. Remove the print platform and resin tray, cleaning them both, as per the sections [Clean Print Platform](#) and [Clean Resin Tray](#).



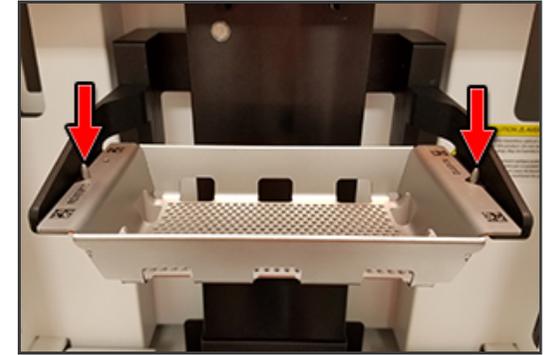
2. After removing the resin tray, label it **on the outside** with an identifying number, letter, or word(s) to let you know which resin was in it before. For the sake of this example, we are using the [Resin Tray Material Cross-Usage](#) chart as a guide.



3. If the catch-tray glass has a large amount of spilled resin on it, you must dispose of it according to all government regulations and replace it with a new catch tray. If it has no resin, or just a few resin spots on it, clean the glass with >90% alcohol solvent on a nonabrasive cloth, according to the section [Clean/Replace the Catch Tray](#).



4. Reinstall the print platform.



5. As discussed in the introduction to this section, you will now either install a new resin tray or reinstall the cleaned old one, as per the section [Install Resin Tray](#).

6. If this is a new resin tray, label this tray with the same naming convention used in Step 2.



You are now ready to perform the print process with a new resin.

Bottle Scanning Errors

When you scan the resin bottle, either during the printing process or from the Material screen, you could see several different screens besides indicating certain issues.

Bottle ID Not Found

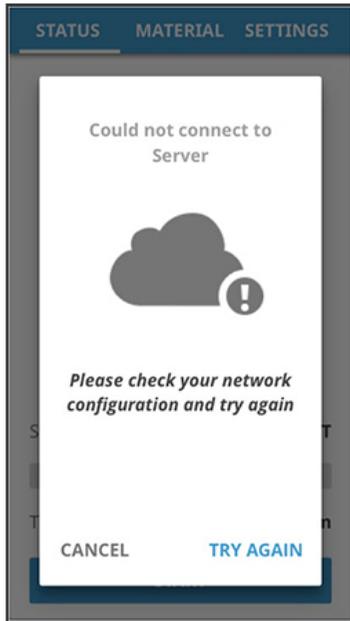


When you see this screen, it can mean any one of the following:

1. Your bottle's QR code is damaged in some way.
 - a. If this is the case, please try to scan your QR code again.
 - b. If it still does not scan properly, please contact 3D Systems Support. Then proceed to the section [QR Code Override](#).
2. The QR code scanned is not from a resin the printer recognizes.
 - a. If this is the case, you must scan a bottle of Figure 4 resin for the printer to accept it.
3. The QR code was simply not read correctly.
 - a. If this seems to be the case, scan the bottle again, ensuring you hold your hand steady and that the red target circle is on the QR code.

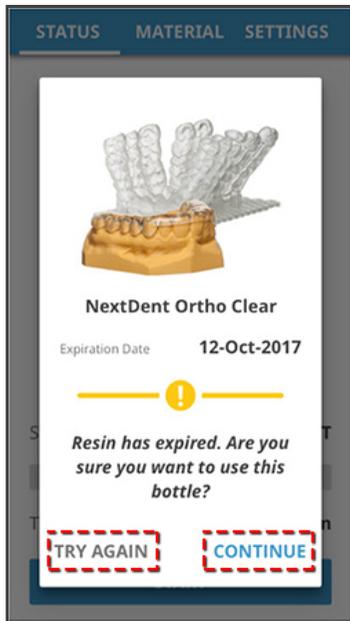


No Network Available



The printer needs to be connected to the internet to verify scanned print material. If you see this screen, it means that your printer is not connected to the internet. Contact your network administrator to troubleshoot network issues and tap **Try Again**. If your internet is connected and functional, but the printer still shows this screen, a printer restart might be required.

Bottle Expired



You will see this screen when the printer sees that your print-material bottle has passed its expiration date. At this time, you may:

1. Tap **Try Again** to scan another bottle of material.
2. Tap **Continue** to use the expired bottle of material.

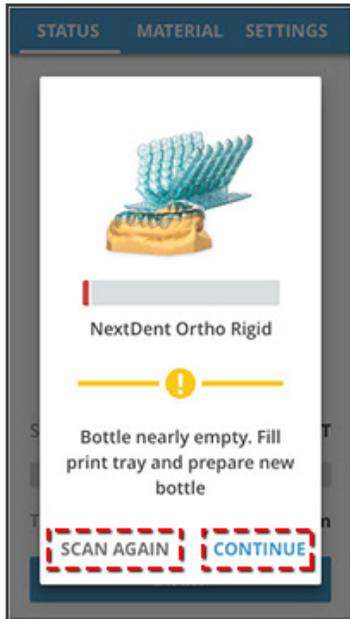
Scanned Bottle is Same Type as Previous Bottle (Material Tab Only)



When changing material through [Add/Change Print Material](#) in the Material tab, the printer is expecting you to scan a bottle of material that is different than the last one used. If you scan a bottle of the same material type, you will see this screen. At this time, you may:

1. Tap **Scan Again** to scan a bottle of different material, **or**
2. Tap **Continue** to keep using the same print material. If this bottle has not been used before, the printer will store its serial number and begin to keep track of its usage. If this bottle has been used before, nothing will change.

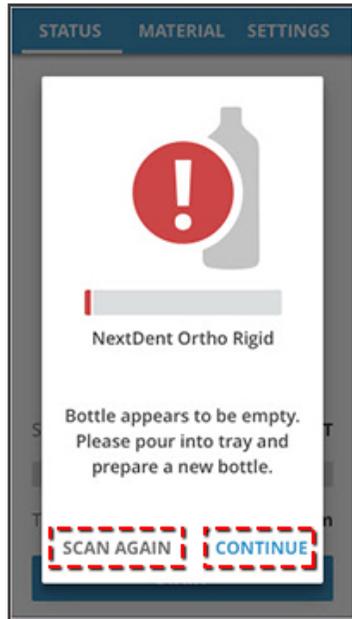
Scanned Bottle is Nearly Empty



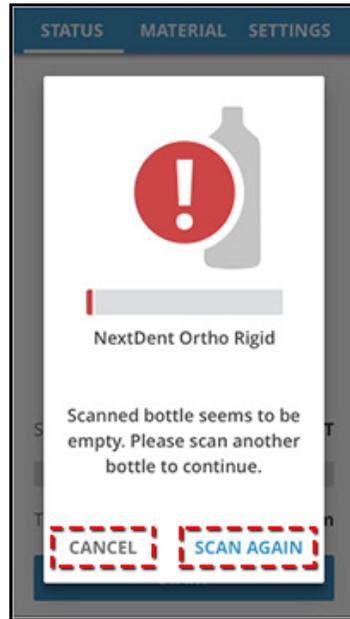
Every time you scan a resin bottle, the printer will keep track of the scan as one "pour" from that bottle. When you are nearing the maximum amount of pours allowed for that bottle, you will see this screen. This screen is meant to prepare you so that you have a mixed bottle of resin ready when your old bottle runs out, ensuring that you experience the least amount of downtime as possible in between builds. At this point, you may:

1. Tap **Scan Again** to scan a new bottle.
2. Tap **Continue** to keep using this bottle.

Scanned Bottle is Empty

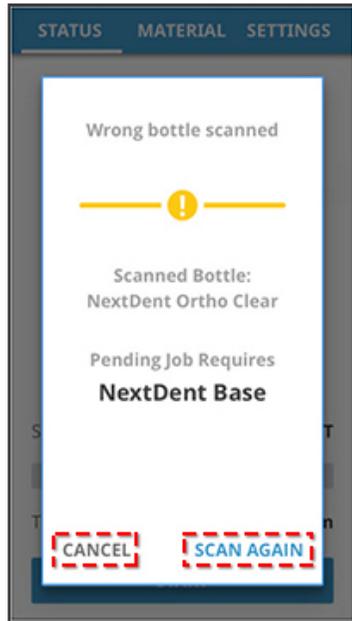


When you have reached the maximum amount of pours available for your resin bottle (see above), you will see this screen. Tap **Scan Again** to scan a new bottle; or tap **Continue** to use the current bottle. If you continue printing with the current bottle, you will receive three more warning messages until the printer will no longer allow you to use that bottle. You will see the screen below:



Tap **Cancel** to go to the previous screen. Tap **Scan Again** to scan a new resin bottle.

Wrong Bottle Scanned



You will see this screen if you scan a bottle of material during the printing process that is not the same as the print material sent over from 3D Sprint in the build file.

Fill Resin Tray With Material



HARMFUL IRRITANT WARNING: ALWAYS HANDLE THE RESIN TRAY WITH CARE, EVEN IF YOU BELIEVE THERE IS NO MATERIAL IN IT. WEARING CONTACT LENSES WHEN HANDLING A RESIN TRAY FILLED WITH MATERIAL IS NOT RECOMMENDED. WEAR 100% NITRILE GLOVES WHEN HANDLING THE RESIN TRAY, EVEN IF YOU BELIEVE THERE IS NO MATERIAL IN IT. BE CAREFUL NOT TO POUR MATERIAL OUTSIDE THE RESIN TRAY, OR TO ALLOW MATERIAL TO SPLASH OUTSIDE THE RESIN TRAY. LIQUID MATERIAL HAS THE POTENTIAL TO DAMAGE ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT, PARTICULARLY IN THE LOWER PART OF THE PRINTER.



TIP: You may choose to hold the material bottle with two hands, just in case it slips out of one hand, so that you do not drop the material bottle.

Mixing Old and New Materials

NextDent materials are assigned a "lot number" when they are manufactured. This number can be found on your bottle of material.

Biocompatible Materials

For biocompatible materials, those that are CE certified as a medical device, you can NOT mix materials that come from two different lot numbers, even if they are the same material type. Doing so will compromise the ability of 3D Systems to reconcile any issues that might arise with these materials. Biocompatible materials currently include: Surgical Guide (SG), C&B MFH, Ortho IBT, Ortho Rigid, Tray, Denture 3D+, and Try-In.

Non-biocompatible Materials

For non-biocompatible materials, those that are not CE certified as a medical device, it is permissible to mix materials from different lot numbers. These materials are not registered and do not have the same restriction. Non-biocompatible materials include: Model 2.0, Cast, and Gingiva Mask.

Fill the Resin Tray

Before filling the resin tray, you should have completed the steps in the section [Add/Change Print Material](#). If you have not done so, do so now.

1. Before pouring the material into the resin tray, be sure you do the following:

a. Mix the material on the NextDent LC-3DMixer for time specified for your material in the [Material](#)

[Stirring and Curing Chart](#).



CAUTION: Failure to sufficiently mix materials before each build may result in color deviation and/or print failure.

b. If you are using a different material than your previous build used be sure that you follow the material changeover instructions in the section [Physical Steps to Change Print Material](#).



CAUTION: Failure to properly switch materials will result in reduced reactivity of the new material, even when only very small amounts of different material(s) are mixed in. This will result in build failure and wasted material.

c. If you are using the same material bottle as in your previous build, be sure that the print platform and resin tray are completely clean of debris (such as dust), and/or partially cured material residue.



CAUTION: Failure to clean the resin tray and print platform of debris may affect the material's reactivity and the printed part's ability to adhere to the print platform.

d. If you are using a new bottle of the same material, but it has a different lot number than your last bottle, you must either empty the resin tray of the previous material or use a different resin tray for the new bottle. Please see the section above about mixing old and new material.



2. Before filling the resin tray with material, take note of the markings printed on the front and back.
 - a. The **MIN** mark indicates that the 5mm (0.2 in) pool in the bottom of the tray is full. Do not print if the resin level is below this line.
 - b. Each **numbered** mark indicates 100mL (3.4 fl. oz.) more of resin on top of the 5mm pool, on up to 400mL (13.5 fl. oz.).
 - c. The **MAX** mark indicates a resin level of 430mL (14.5 fl. oz.). See **caution** statement below.

Keep in mind that the largest possible build on the printer consumes around 200 mL (6.8 fl. oz.) of material.



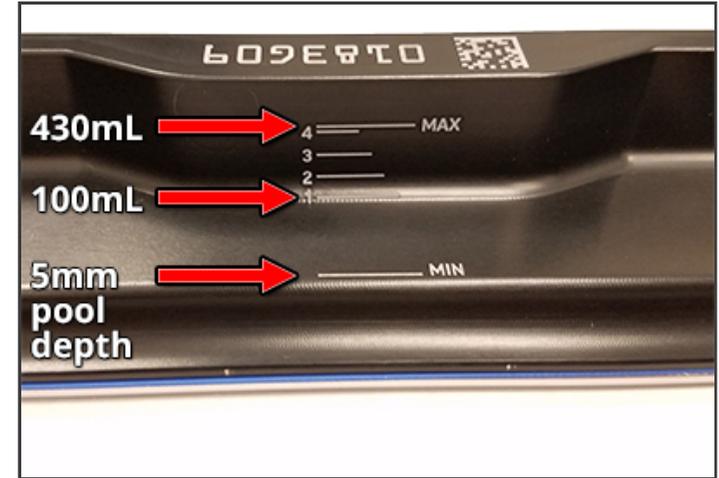
CAUTION: Do not fill the resin tray beyond 430 mL (14.5 fl. oz.). Doing so risks spilling material and/or getting material on elevator arms during printing.

3. Slowly pour material until desired height is reached. Hold the bottle low over the tray while pouring to avoid splashing.



TIP: Remember to keep your resin bottle, even after you've emptied it, so that you still have its QR code. If you pour more than one print job's worth of material into the resin tray, you must continue to use the bottle you poured from to scan its QR code before printing. Scan this bottle until your material has printed off. This will allow the printer to properly track how many pours your bottle has been through.

4. Close printer lid as soon as possible after pouring, so as to avoid any unnecessary exposure of the material to ambient UV light.



Resin Tray Material Cross-Usage

You may clean the resin tray with >90% alcohol solvent between builds, enabling you to use different print materials in the same resin tray (not at the same time). However, ensure that the cleaning is very thorough when switching between materials, as residual material in the tray will mix with the new material and create an improper mixture.

Mix/Stir the Print Material

Before pouring any NextDent print material in the resin tray, you must mix the material bottle according to the chart below. Before printing again with those materials, you must stir the material in the resin tray using the Resin Mixer. Stirring the material in the resin tray serves two purposes: 1. Ensuring a good material mixture; and, 2. Ensuring there is not debris in the resin tray, such as partially cured particulates.

Resin Stirring and Curing Chart



CAUTION: Failure to sufficiently mix print materials according to this chart may result in color deviation and/or print failure.

The chart below serves as a quick reference for material-bottle mixing time on the NextDent LC-3DMixer, bottle hand-mixing time, material stirring time when material is in the resin tray, and part-curing time in the LC-3DPrint Box. For hand-mixing, shake the bottle vigorously in an up and down motion.

For **part-washing times**, these are identical for all NextDent materials. The first part bath should be three minutes in an ultrasonic cleaner with >90% alcohol solvent. The solvent may have been used to clean other parts for this first bath. The second part bath should be two minutes in an ultrasonic cleaner with **clean** >90% alcohol solvent. The solvent may NOT have been used to clean other parts.

As for **part-drying times**, these can vary depending on your drying method. Please see the section **Part Drying** for more information.

Name	Bottle Shaking Time Before Mixer Use (*see note below)	Bottle Mixing Time Required (LC-3DMixer)		Stirring Time Required (in resin tray)		Curing Time in LC-3DPrint Box
		Brand-new bottle	After first use (**see note below)	In tray less than 3 hrs	In tray more than 3 hrs	
NextDent® Surgical Guide	5 min. - may be done instead of using LC-3DMixer	5 min. - may be done instead of hand mixing	5 min. - may be done instead of hand mixing	10 secs.	30 secs.	10 min.
NextDent® Ortho IBT	5 min. - may be done instead of using LC-3DMixer	5 min. - may be done instead of hand mixing	5 min. - may be done instead of hand mixing	10 secs.	30 secs.	10 min.

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NextDent® Ortho Rigid	5 min. - may be done instead of using LC-3DMixer	5 min. - may be done instead of hand mixing	5 min. - may be done instead of hand mixing	10 secs.	30 secs.	10 min.
NextDent® C&B MFH (Micro Filled Hybrid)	5 min. before each use, whether "brand new" or "after first use"	2.5 hrs.	1 hr.	60 secs.	60 secs.	30 min.
NextDent® Denture 3D+	5 min. before each use, whether "brand new" or "after first use"	2.5 hrs.	1 hr.	30 secs.	60 secs.	30 min.
NextDent® Try-In	5 min. before each use, whether "brand new" or "after first use"	2.5 hrs.	1 hr.	30 secs.	60 secs.	20 min.
NextDent® Model 2.0	5 min. before each use, whether "brand new" or "after first use"	2.5 hrs.	1 hr.	30 secs.	60 secs.	10 min.
NextDent® Tray	5 min. before each use, whether "brand new" or "after first use"	2.5 hrs.	1 hr.	30 secs.	60 secs.	10 min.
NextDent® Gingiva Mask	5 min. before each use, whether "brand new" or "after first use"	2.5 hrs.	1 hr.	30 secs.	60 secs.	10 min.
NextDent® Cast	5 min. before each use, whether "brand new" or "after first use"	2.5 hrs.	1 hr.	30 secs.	60 secs.	5 min.

***Pre-shaking by hand**

For best printing results, most NextDent print materials require that you pre-shake the bottle by hand before placing it on the LC-3DMixer for the specified time. This is to ensure that sediment thoroughly mixes with the rest of the material.

**Considerations for material that has been sitting, unused, for over 1 month

If you have a material bottle like this, simply treat it like a new bottle and mix it for the time specified in the "Brand-new bottle" column in the above chart.



NOTE: Ensure that you place the build in your UV curing oven in the same orientation it was printed in, as if the bottom of the oven is the print platform.

Resin Mixer

Resin that is left in the resin tray between builds needs to be stirred periodically. In this case, you would use the resin mixer to stir the resin, as seen below. Refer to the [Resin Stirring and Curing Chart](#) for information on stirring materials.



CAUTION: Failure to sufficiently mix resins before each build may result in color deviation and/or print failure.

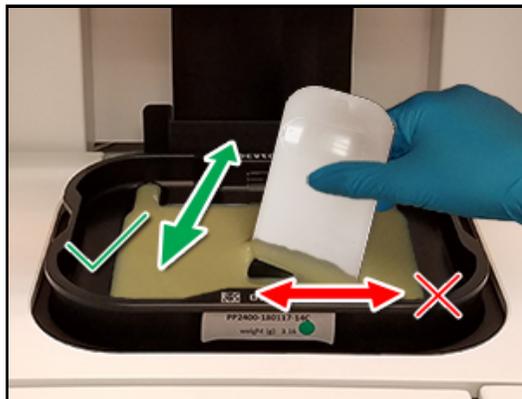


CAUTION: Ensure that the comb is clean before each use. To clean the comb, wipe it with a nonabrasive cloth and the recommended solvent.

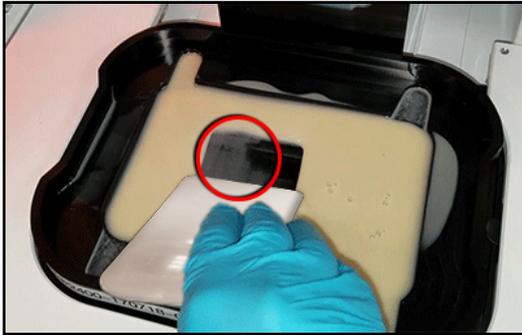
1. Run the comb through the resin, with the sharp end (A) facing down. Grip the comb on the indented gripper (B). Please see the images below for the proper stirring technique.



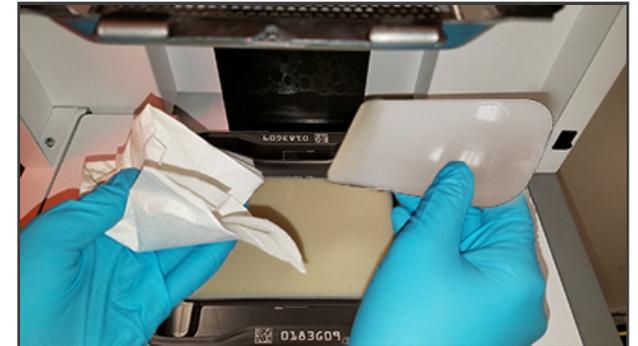
CAUTION: Do not scrape the comb's blade from side to side like a knife. Rather, move it back and forth like an ice scraper.



2. Holding the comb slanted, run it back and forth through the resin, careful not to put too much pressure on the resin-tray film. Do this for the time prescribed in the [Resin Stirring and Curing Chart](#), or until all resin that has stuck on the resin-tray film has been scraped off. You are looking for stuck-on resin spots like that which is circled below:



3. After stirring, allow the comb to drip resin back into the resin tray and then wipe excess resin off the comb with a nonabrasive cloth.



CAUTION: Putting too much pressure on the resin-tray film can dent or puncture the film, rendering the tray unusable. The film cannot be replaced by itself; if the film is damaged, the whole resin tray must be replaced.



CAUTION: Puncturing the resin tray will force a full tray's worth of print material into the catch tray. Use extra caution when handling a full catch tray.



CAUTION: If the resin tray gets punctured, discard it in the same way you would other materials that have been in contact with liquid resin.



CAUTION: Take care not to slosh resin out of the resin tray while stirring. If this happens, you will have to clean the parts of the printer that the resin got on.

4. Repeat the stirring process as indicated by the [Resin Stirring and Curing Chart](#).



CAUTION: Be sure to clean the resin mixer with >90% alcohol solvent between uses. Failure to do so risks mixing unstirred resin or different resin in with material currently in the resin tray.

Prepare and Install the Print Platform

Print Platform Guidelines

Print platforms should be treated with care in order to preserve their shape and coating. Avoid dropping print platforms. Print platforms should be thoroughly cleaned and inspected after every use to ensure print adhesion, to ensure that two different resins do not mix, and to avoid resin-tray membrane damage.

1. Remove and post-process the printed part and the print platform either together or separately, according to your purposes.
2. Once the printed part is separated from the platform, follow the instructions in the section [Clean Print Platform](#) before reusing the platform.
3. Inspect the following areas for cured resin. If cured resin is present, remove using the included Platform Scraper.
 - a. Elevator guides
 - b. Print surface - underside of print platform
 - c. Print surface holes
4. Verify flatness of the print platform. Ensure the platform has not become concave, convex, or scratched to the point of making a groove. To check this, follow the procedure in the section [Check Print-Platform Level](#). If the platform is damaged, as discussed or otherwise, dispose of the platform. The user is responsible for determining the integrity of the print platform before using it to print.
5. Always handle the print platform with two hands, so as to prevent dropping it on the ground. A drop could cause damage to the platform, as well as get debris on it, which could contaminate the resin in the resin tray.
6. Contaminants such as dust, oils from the skin, or cured print material can cause poor print adhesion and/or resin contamination. Even if it appears there is no contamination, clear resins, or small bits of cured material may not be easily spotted by the naked eye. Because of all these factors, clean the platform as well as possible in between builds and always wear 100% nitrile gloves when handling the print platform.
7. Never attempt to move the elevator arms by hand. The elevator should only be operated via the printer's GUI.

Install Print Platform



ALWAYS WEAR 100% NITRILE GLOVES WHEN HANDLING THE PRINT PLATFORM.



CAUTION: The printer will operate without a print platform installed. Ensure you install it before every print.



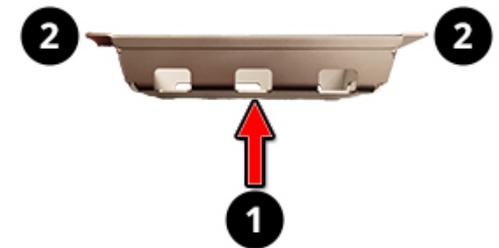
CAUTION: Do not leave the printer lid open for an extended time. Leaving the lid open will allow light to cure the material inside and will also allow dust/contaminates in.

1. Open the printer lid by pulling the handle on the front. It will stay open by itself once you lift it.



2. Verify the platform has been properly cleaned and is not visibly warped. A properly cleaned print platform will not have any residual print material or contaminants of any kind present. Special attention should be paid to the print surface (1), and elevator guides (2).

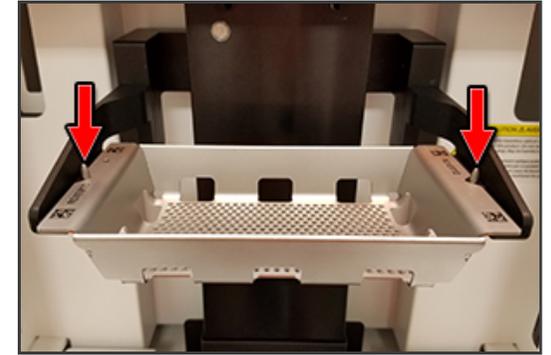
3. Also make sure the elevator is at its upper limit, or offload, position before installing the platform.



4. Install the print platform onto the elevator arms, convex side down, as seen at the right. The triangular groove on each print-platform elevator guide lines up with the cone-shaped pin on each elevator arm. Ensure the print platform is fully seated and level. Magnets will secure the platform in position. If you feel there is an issue with how the print platform is sitting on the elevator arms, do not build on the printer. Contact 3D Systems customer service.



Triangular grooves



Change Air Filter

Frequency:	Every 3 months
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The air filter is located on the back of the lower build chamber. A fan inside the printer pulls air in to cool off the printer components. This filter keeps contaminants out of the air being pulled in. If the filter gets resin on it, it must be replaced IMMEDIATELY.



CAUTION: If you need to move the printer to perform this procedure, you must remove the resin tray and place it in its garage before beginning. Also, you will need to lift all leveling feet to move the printer and will need to re-level the printer once this procedure is done.



CAUTION: Failure to change the filter when prompted could lead to a clogged filter, which would block the cooling fan from taking in air. This could cause printer parts to overheat and fail. Similarly, installing a damaged or used air filter may result in overheating or debris getting in the lower print chamber.

1. Remove the two hand screws securing the bracket to the printer.



2. Pull the filter out by the cardboard. Discard the filter with your normal trash.



3. Inspect the new filter to ensure that it is not damaged in anyway or dirty. Install your new air filter with the convex part facing out.

4. Replace the air-filter bracket and secure with screws taken out in Step 1. Be certain that the screw is tightened adequately and that the bracket fits snugly on the printer frame.



Change Carbon Filter

Frequency:	Every 3 months
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The carbon filter located on the back of the upper build chamber, must be replaced every three months. If the filter gets resin on it, it must be replaced IMMEDIATELY.



CAUTION: If you need to move the printer to perform this procedure, you must remove the resin tray and place it in its garage before beginning. Also, you will need to lift all leveling feet to move the printer and will need to re-level the printer once this procedure is done.



CAUTION: Failure to change the filter when prompted could lead to a clogged filter, which would trap noxious fumes in the print chamber. Upon opening the printer, these fumes could be very potent. Failure to change the filter could also result in a loss of positive pressure in the print chamber, causing it to lose its "clean-room-like" properties. Do not run the printer without a carbon filter installed.

1. Remove four thumb screws by hand from the carbon-filter bracket. The bracket may be removed if you wish.



2. Remove the filter and discard it according to all local, state, and federal regulations.



WEAR 100% NITRILE GLOVES WHEN HANDLING A CONTAMINATED FILTER.



3. Inspect the new carbon filter to ensure that it is not damaged in any way or dirty. Install the filter inside the empty bracket.



4. Secure the carbon-filter bracket in place with the four thumb screws.



When Printer is Idle

When the printer is idle, be mindful of the following:

- Be sure to keep the printer lid closed to keep out dust and other debris, as well as to keep any fumes inside the printer.
- The printer's touch screen will go to sleep; but the printer will remain turned on

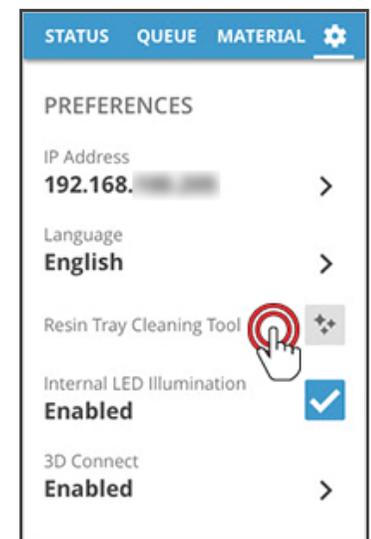
Running a Resin-Tray Cleaning

Any time you experience a failed build, there will more than likely be partially cured resin either floating in the resin tray or stuck to the resin-tray film. Because of this, you must perform a **Resin Tray Cleaning** after a failed build, even if floating debris in the tray is not obvious. The following steps describe the process.

1. Remove the print platform from the machine. This print does not need to adhere to the print platform and might be difficult to remove from the platform.



2. On the printer, tap the  button to open the Settings screen. Tap the **Resin Tray Cleaning Tool** icon.



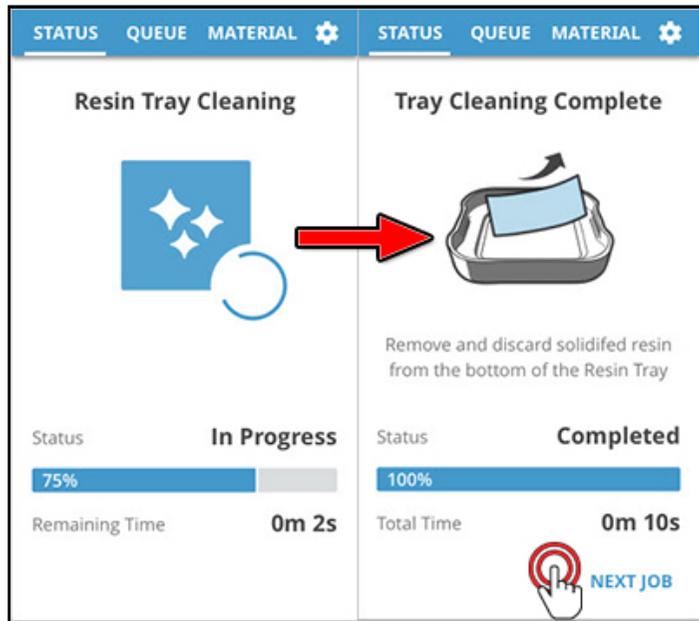
3. You will see the screen at the right. Tap the **Clean Tray** button.



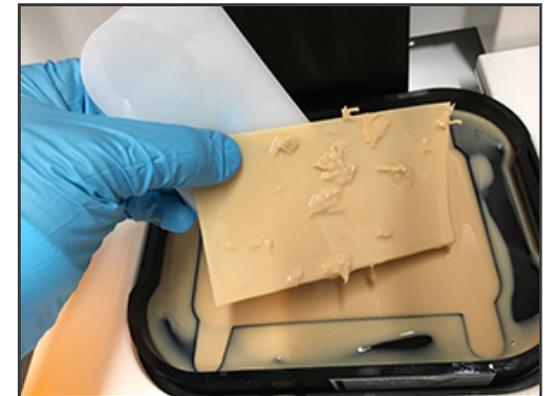
4. If you have not done so, remove the print platform. Ensure printer lid and front door are closed and tap **Start**.



5. The cleaning print will now begin. This build cannot be aborted, even if you open the lid and front door. It must complete once it is started. You will note there is a progress bar on the screen and a **Remaining Time** indicator. Once the build is finished, the printer screen will change. Tap **Next Job** to prepare the printer for the next build.



6. Wait at least one minute after job completion. Use the Resin Mixer to get under the printed sheet and remove it from the tray. **Clean** and **cure** the printed sheet so that you can discard it with regular trash.



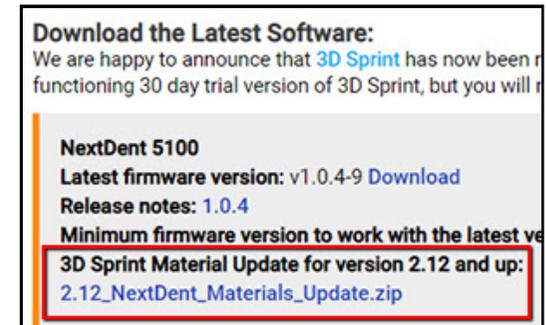
Add New Material in 3D Sprint

When new materials launch for the printer, there will be a 3D Sprint database update that will need to be downloaded and applied to add this material, and its build style, to 3D Sprint. This section describes how to download and install the database update.

1. Ensure that you have upgraded to the latest version of 3D Sprint. Sprint should automatically check for the latest Sprint version, unless you have turned this feature off. To turn it back on, click the  icon, click the switch that says, "Check for updates on launch," and restart 3D Sprint. At startup, if an update is available, Sprint will start a wizard to walk you through the software-update download and installation.

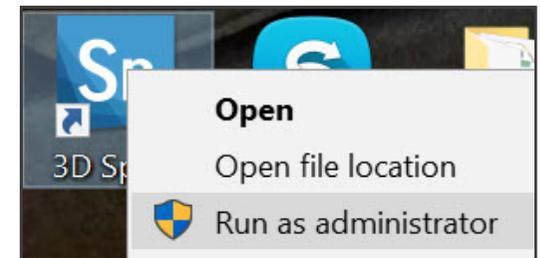


2. [Go to this page](#) to download the latest material-database update file. This page will always host the latest update as a .zip file. Unzip the file to the location of your choice.

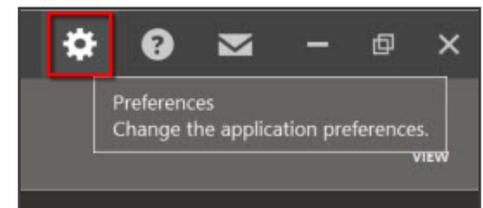


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3. When opening 3D Sprint, right-click on the Sprint icon and **Open as Administrator**.



4. Click the  icon to open the **Preferences** interface.

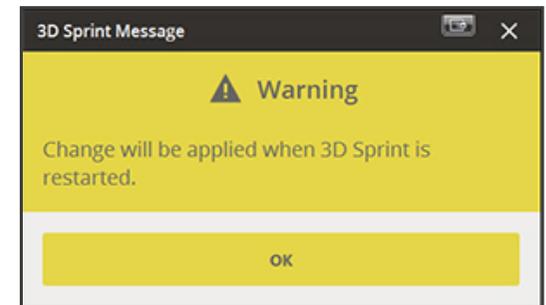


5. Go to the **About** tab and, under **Database Patch**, click **Import**.

6. In Windows File Explorer, navigate to the file you unzipped in Step 2, and click **Open**.

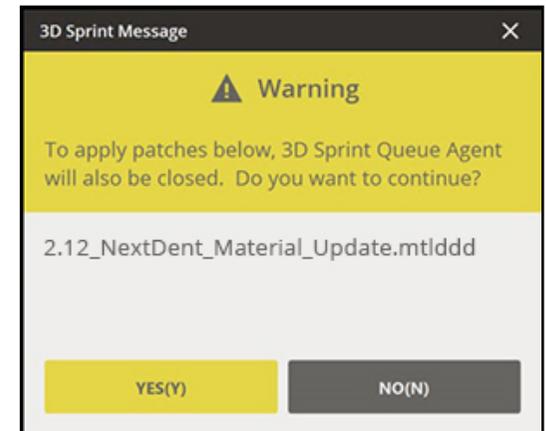


7. 3D Sprint will show the popup at the right. Click **OK**.



8. Close 3D Sprint to show the screen at the right. Click **Yes**.

9. Wait five minutes to ensure the database update has finished. Then restart the application.



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Post Processing

Introduction

Once your 3D build has completed, the part on the platform is considered **green** until it has been through post-processing. A green part must be handled with nitrile gloves at all times. This section describes how to post-process the part, rendering it safe to handle without nitrile gloves. You will need lint-free paper towels (or absorbent cloth) to catch resin that may drip from the part, as well as two stainless-steel or glass containers in which to submerge the part in >90% alcohol solvent.



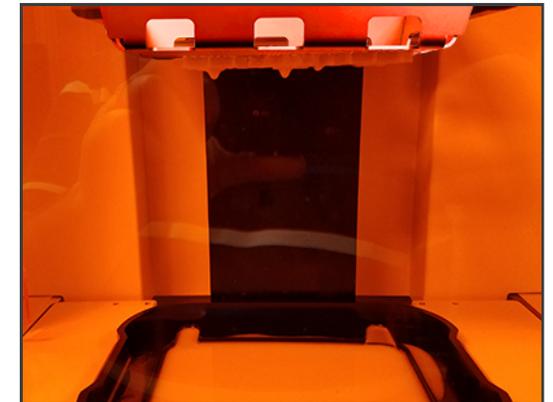
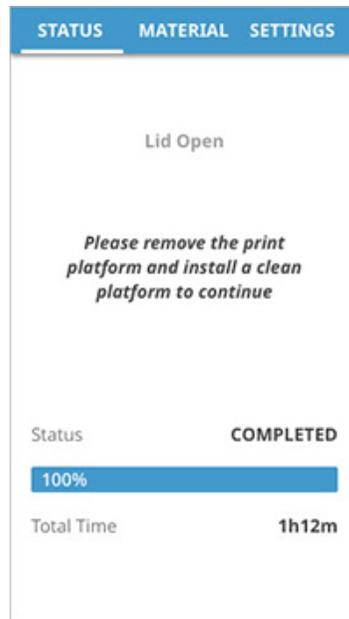
ALWAYS WEAR 100% NITRILE GLOVES DURING POST-PROCESSING PROCEDURES.



CAUTION: Always follow the precautions noted in the SDS (Safety Data Sheets) for any resin or solvent being used. It is important to limit the exposure of the resin tray to light, as too much exposure will begin to solidify the resin inside it and render it unsuitable for part building. Place resin-tray cover over resin tray when not in use, close the printer door, or empty the material from the resin tray back into a material bottle of the same resin, sealing the bottle.

Remove Print Platform

1. Allow the printed part to drain over the resin tray until resin stops dripping off the part. Once this is done, open the printer lid. You will see the screen below on the printer:



2. Wearing nitrile gloves, tilt the print platform over the resin tray such that any remaining resin is drained into the resin tray.



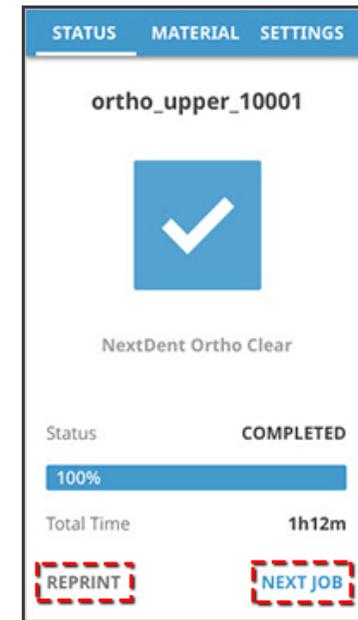
3. Place a paper towel or gloved hand under the part and lift the print platform out of the machine. The paper towel will keep resin from dripping on unwanted surfaces.



CAUTION: Do not remove the printed part from the print platform while both are still in the machine. Doing so risks getting partially cured print material in the resin tray, which will cause future builds to fail and/or cause the resin-tray membrane to puncture.



4. If you have another print job in your 3D Sprint queue, or if you want to reprint the same job, you may now insert a clean print platform, as the screen in Step 1 suggests. Closing the printer lid at this time will show the screen at the right, whether you insert a new platform or not. You may now:
- Reprint the previous job
 - Print the next job in your 3D Sprint queue. If there is no pending job in your 3D Sprint queue, you will not see the **Next Job** button.



Remove Printed Parts From Platform

You must now remove the printed part(s) from the print platform to prepare them for cleaning.



WEAR 100% NITRILE GLOVES WHENEVER HANDLING UNCURED OR PARTIALLY CURED PRINT MATERIAL.



CAUTION: Ensure that any tools you use in post-processing have been cleaned since their last use.

1. Put a nonabrasive cloth/lint-free paper towel underneath the print platform. Using the included punch tool, remove printed part from the print platform by pushing on it through the top side of the platform. Hold it the way you would a rubber stamp.



2. Once the parts are off the platform, rinse them in >90% alcohol solvent by hand, holding them over a container that can catch the solvent.

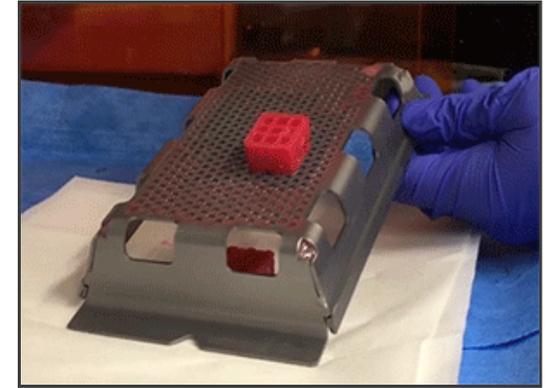


Special Considerations for Elastomeric Resins

If you are running elastomeric resins, such as Ortho IBT or Gingiva Mask, it may be difficult to remove parts from the print platform using only the punch tool.

1. Use the punch tool as described in **Step 1** above. This will get the part started in detaching from the platform.

2. Use the Platform Scraper to fully remove the part from the platform.



3. For instructions on removing the remaining, partially cured resin, see the section [Clean Print Platform](#).

Cleaning Printed Parts

The following equipment is needed to clean parts produced on the NextDent 5100 Printer:

1. Stainless steel or glass containers that are big enough to contain the printed parts you wish to make
2. >90% alcohol solvent
3. Ultrasonic cleaner, which agitates solvents like >90% alcohol solvent using ultrasonic sound waves. Sonication is the required cleaning method for your printed parts to achieve medical certification. Your ultrasonic cleaner should have:
 - a. Digital Timer
 - b. Volume great enough to hold your steel or glass containers
 - c. Explosion-proof features



WARNING: >90% ALCOHOL SOLVENT IS FLAMMABLE AS BOTH LIQUID AND VAPOR. KEEP AWAY FROM HEAT, SPARK AND OPEN FLAMES. USE WITH ADEQUATE VENTILATION. STORE AT 20-30°C (68-86°F).



ALWAYS WEAR GLOVES WHEN CLEANING BUILD PARTS.

Cleaning Parts Using an Ultrasonic Cleaner

 NOTE: Follow all safety precautions and guidelines set forth in the User Guide for the ultrasonic cleaner you have purchased.



ALWAYS WEAR 100% NITRILE GLOVES WHENEVER HANDLING AN UNCURED PRINTED PART, AS WELL AS WHEN HANDLING ANY SOLVENT USED TO CLEAN SUCH PARTS.

Important Notice for Ortho IBT Resin

If you are running Ortho IBT resin, you **MUST** use Ethanol as your cleaning solvent. Do not use IPA.

Cleaning Procedure

While the User Guide for your ultrasonic cleaner will provide specific-use instructions, the steps outlined below describe how 3D Systems recommends cleaning build parts via an ultrasonic cleaner.

1. Label your steel or glass containers as "1st Bath" and "2nd Bath."
2. Wearing nitrile gloves, place the printed part inside 1st Bath container. Pour >90% alcohol solvent into the container until you completely submerge the printed part. Used >90% alcohol solvent may be used for this first bath, unless it is completely saturated.



NOTE: The same solvent may be used in the first bath to clean several printed parts. It will, however, become saturated over time and will no longer be effective at stripping uncured resin from printed parts. You must visually gauge this effectiveness each time you clean a part. If after washing, the printed part still has large amounts of uncured resin on it, you will need to discard the old solvent according to all local, state, and federal regulations. Then use new solvent for your next cleaning job.

3. Place 1st Bath container inside the ultrasonic cleaner.



CAUTION: Ensure that your ultrasonic cleaner is properly rated to use flammable solvents. Failure to do so could present a fire hazard.



4. Follow the instructions in your ultrasonic cleaner's User Guide to power it on and begin cleaning.
For this first bath, run the ultrasonic cleaner for 3 minutes.
5. After the cleaning cycle has finished, remove the printed part from the ultrasonic cleaner using nitrile gloves. You may wish to use shop air or an air compressor to dry the part in between cleanings, as this is an effective method for getting one solvent off the part before cleaning it with another.
6. For 2nd Bath container, follow Steps 2-5 once more. But the >90% alcohol solvent must be completely clean for the second bath (no other parts or printer components should have been cleaned with it). This time, run the ultrasonic cleaner for two minutes. After finishing Step 5 with 2nd Bath container, the part is ready for drying and post-curing in the LC-3DPrint Box.



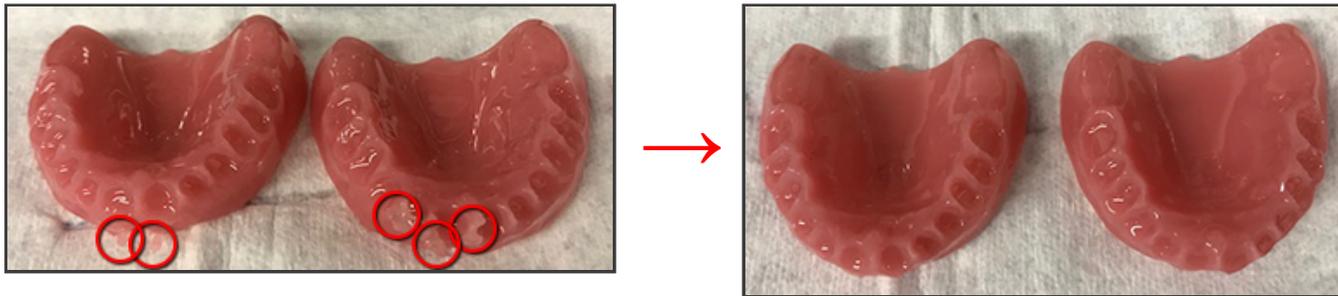
CAUTION: Cleaning printed parts for any longer time than prescribed in this manual risks creating defects in the part.

Dry the Build Parts

For information on the different methods for drying printed parts, please see the section [Air-Drying Parts](#). Dry printed parts until you see no more liquid on their surfaces. For any drying method, please use the following guidelines:

1. Always dry printed parts over a tub, lab paper towel, or absorbent cloth. Do NOT dry the part over a sink or tub that drains to normal wastewater.
2. Discard any disposable towels used in the drying process according to all local, state and federal regulations. These towels have been in contact with uncured resin and solvents, and must be treated as such.
3. On a regular basis, have a professional cleaning service wash any absorbent cloths used in the drying process.
4. If you dry the part over a tub, periodically empty/clean it, discarding its contents according to all local, state, and federal regulations. The tub has been in contact with uncured resin and solvents and must be treated as such.
5. If using an air compressor in the same room (as opposed to shop air), wear ear protection when it is in use.

6. Always wear 100% nitrile gloves and safety glasses when handling partially cured printed parts. When drying with a high-pressure method, uncured resin or solvent may splash.
7. If you come into contact with uncured resin during part drying or at any time, wash the affected area with soap and COLD water. Any clothes contaminated with uncured resin or solvent must be dry cleaned promptly.
8. There might be remnants of supporting architecture left on your part(s). You can remove these supports by hand in the majority of cases. If you experience any issues removing supports, please see [Troubleshooting item PCI4](#).



UV Cure the Parts

1. After the part is completely dry, insert the part into the middle of the LC-3DPrint Box. If there are multiple parts, ensure there is some space between them on the oven platform. It is necessary to use the LC-3DPrint Box as your UV oven, as it has been tested specifically for the NextDent resins that are used to build certified medical devices. Ideal, tested curing times are outlined in the [Resin Stirring and Curing Chart](#) in the "Operation" section of this manual.



CAUTION: Use nitrile gloves whenever touching or operating the LC-3DPrint Box. Normal usage of the box will most likely get uncured resin on the box handle and buttons; so it is always best to take this precaution. Also, the printed parts are still "green" at this stage, not yet fully polymerized and not safe to touch without gloves.



2. Follow instructions in your UV oven instruction manual to begin the post-curing process. If you have the LC-3DPrint Box, the instruction manual can be found both in the packaging or by downloading the link here: [NextDent LC 3D-Printbox Instructions for Use](#).

3. Please see the [Resin Stirring and Curing Chart](#) in the "Operation" section of this manual for resin curing times. Do not open the curing chamber door until the curing process has been completed. The LC-3DPrint Box has a sensor that will turn the machine off during curing if the lid is open. Please see the User Guide of the resin you are using for full post-curing instructions. These guides are linked to in the section [NextDent Material Documentation](#).



CAUTION: Be careful not to over-cure the part. Over-curing can cause discoloration and part warping.

4. Once the printed part has been fully cured, remove the part from the UV oven, using nitrile gloves when opening and closing the oven.

5. **The printed part is now safe to touch without nitrile gloves.**

Clean Print Platform



CAUTION: Do not clean the print platform or resin tray in a sink or tub that drains into wastewater. These components must be cleaned in a self-contained tub and the solvent/resin mix must be discarded according to all local, state, and federal regulations.

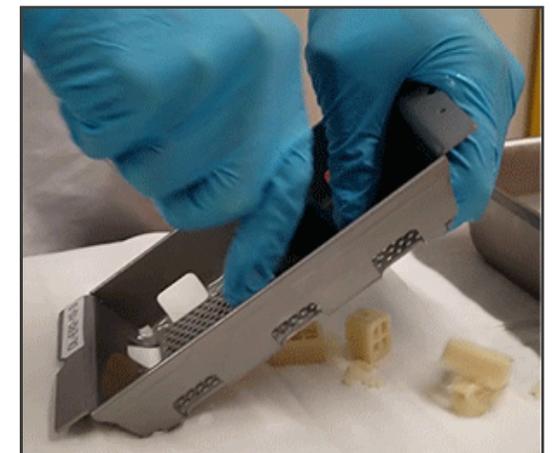
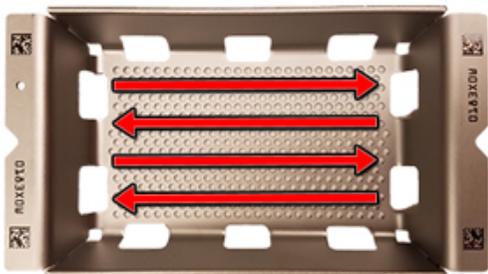


WEAR 100% NITRILE GLOVES THROUGHOUT THIS PROCEDURE.

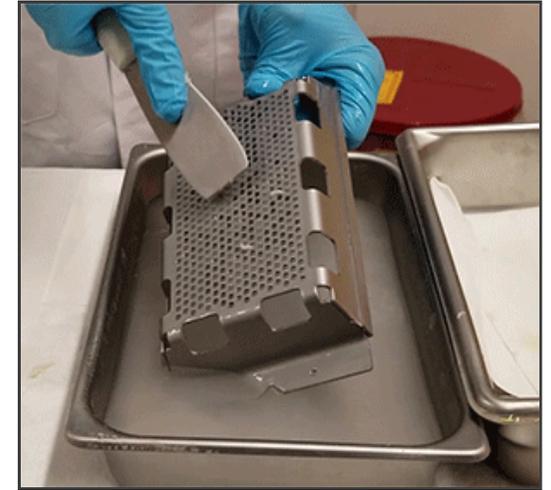
Clean Print Platform

You must clean the print platform after each use.

1. Use the punch tool to punch out the bits of supporting architecture that are inside the holes. Punch in a column, going up and down until you have run the punch tool through every hole. See the punching pattern below for reference.



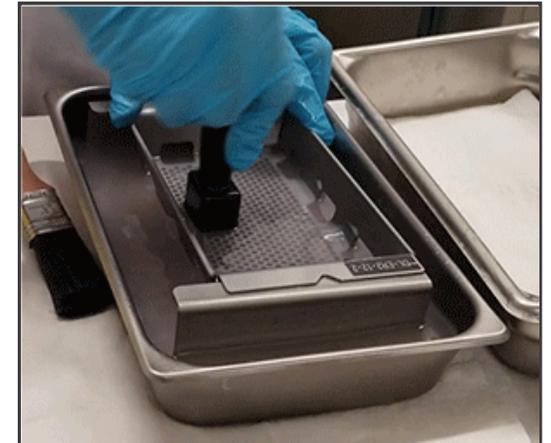
2. Use the Platform Scraper to scrape cured resin off the underside of the print platform. If you are running Ortho IBT or Gingiva Mask, please see the section below, [Special Consideration for Elastomeric Resins](#).



3. You should have the platform-cleaning fixture in a tub with >90% alcohol solvent. Place the print platform on the fixture, being sure it is submerged in the solvent, and use the punch tool up and down on the platform once more, as you did in Step 1.



Platform-cleaning fixture

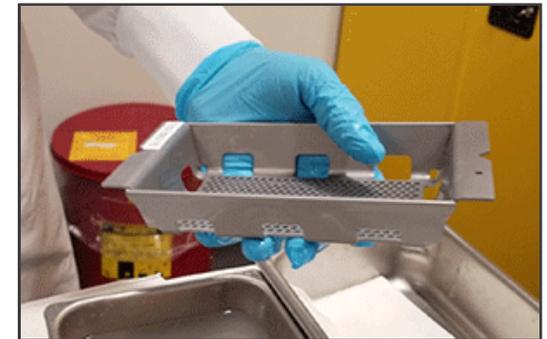


4. Wipe down the platform with a lint-free paper towel or nonabrasive cloth.



5. Inspect the platform, particularly the holes on the flat surface, to ensure no partially cured resin remains. If you find resin or partially cured bits on the platform at this point, follow the steps in this section again on the problem areas.

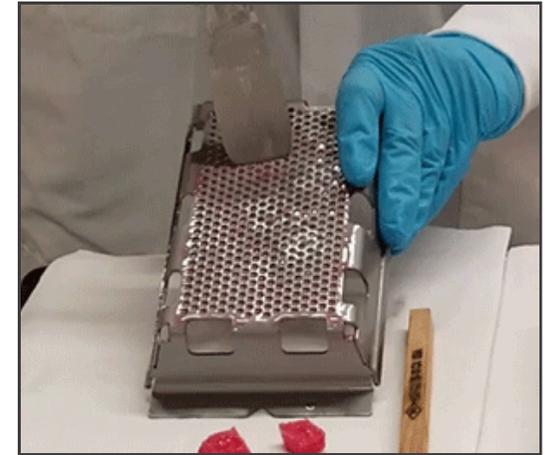
Your print platform is now clean and ready to be reused.



Special Considerations for Elastomeric Resins

For cleaning print platforms that run elastomeric resins such as Ortho IBT or Gingiva Mask, your printer package includes a Wire Brush accessory. The following instructions demonstrate how to use this brush.

1. Use the Platform Scraper to remove as much partially cured resin as you can.



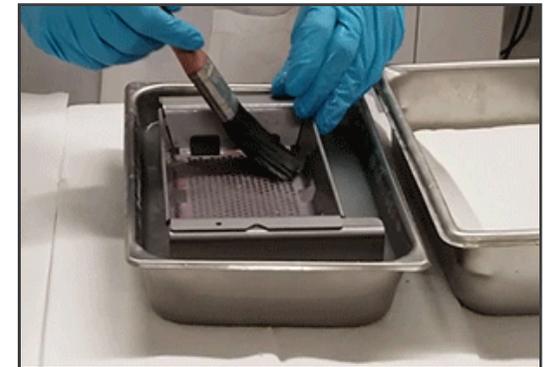
2. Identify all areas of the platform with partially cured resin and use the Wire Brush to scrape off as much as possible.



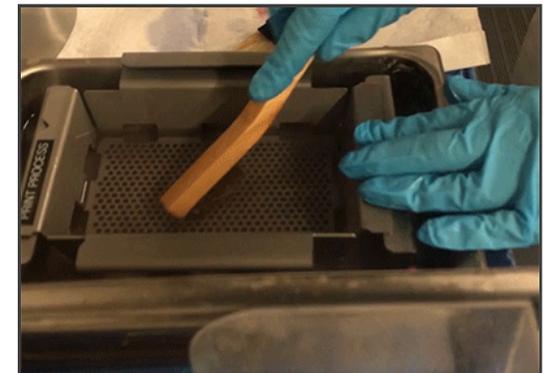
3. Turn the print platform over and use the Wire Brush to scrape all areas that have partially cured resin.



4. Place the print platform in solvent and use the Part-Cleaning Brush to clear away areas of liquid resin.



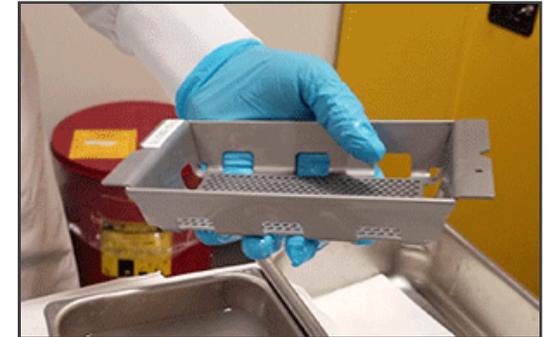
5. Use the Punch Tool if desired to punch bigger chunks of material through the platform. Use the Wire Brush to scrape the remaining partially cured resin from the platform



6. Wipe down the platform with a lint-free paper towel or nonabrasive cloth.



7. Inspect the platform, particularly the holes on the flat surface, to ensure no partially cured resin remains. If you find resin or partially cured bits on the platform at this point, follow the steps in this section again on the problem areas.



Clean Resin Tray

You must clean the resin tray if:

- You believe the resin tray has debris in it.
- You are using a new bottle of the same print material AND that bottle has a different batch number than the previous bottle.



CAUTION: Do NOT mix identical print materials from bottles with different batch numbers, as any issues with the material must be traceable to a specific batch number. Mixing batches makes this impossible to track.

- You are using a different print material in the same resin tray, according to the section [Resin Tray Material Cross-Usage](#).

Every time you remove the resin tray for any reason, you should also inspect/clean the catch tray, as in the section [Clean/Replace the Catch Tray](#).



NOTE: The elevator must be at its upper limit and the print platform must not be in the printer during this procedure.

 NOTE: Two iterations of this process tends to be enough for a fully cleaned resin tray. If you find that you need to repeat this process more than once, consider spending more time brushing the membrane/tray when soaked in >90% alcohol solvent.

 NOTE: Avoid touching the bottom of the membrane during this procedure. If resin is observed on this surface, spot clean with >90% alcohol solvent by squirting/pouring solvent on the area with uncured resin. Finish by drying with compressed air. Do not touch Part-Cleaning Brush or any other tool to the bottom of the membrane.

Procedure

1. Push in the tension-arm release lever and lift tension arm.
2. Using nitrile gloves and using both hands, slowly lift the resin tray out of the printer.

 **CAUTION:** Take care not to hit the resin tray on the elevator arms, printer lid, or other printer components during removal.



3. Pour the contents of the tray over the tray corner into your hazardous waste container. The Resin Mixer may be used to guide print material and debris out of the tray.



CAUTION: Do NOT pour the resin back into the bottle. Doing so risks contamination, and/or improper mixture, of material in the bottle. This could result in undesirable build quality and/or build failure.



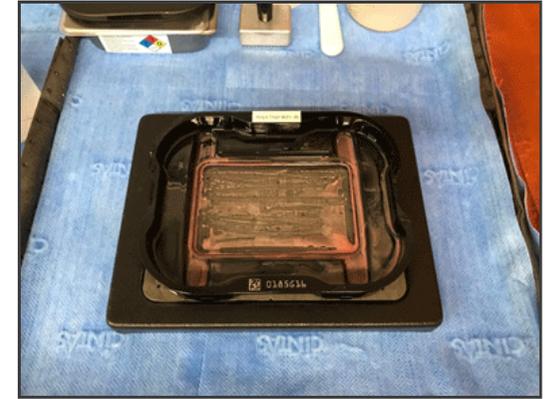
CAUTION: Do NOT use the Platform Scraper to clean the resin tray, as it will easily puncture the resin-tray membrane.



4. Place resin tray in its garage.



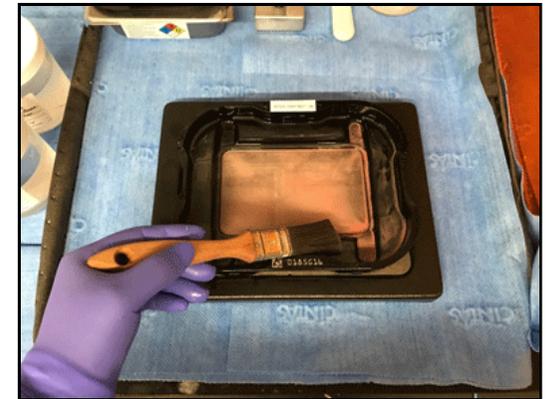
TIP: You may place a paper towel or clean-room wipe on your cleaning surface, so as not to get print material and/or solvent directly on it. This can also prevent foreign debris from dirtying or puncturing the tray's membrane. If you use this tip, be sure to discard the paper towel/wipe according to all government regulations after each cleaning.



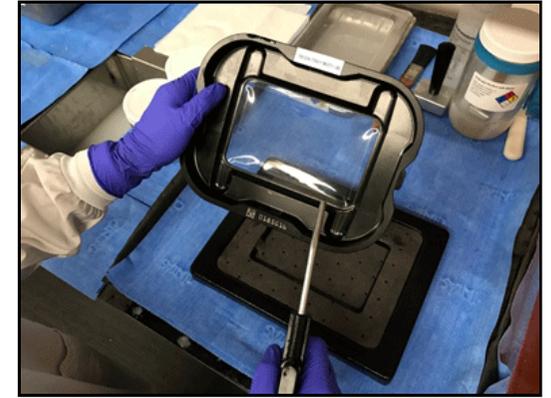
5. Pour approximately 250 mL of >90% alcohol solvent into resin tray and use the Part-Cleaning Brush to gently agitate the resin on the membrane and tray edges.

6. After brushing all surfaces that were in contact with resin, discard dirty solvent according to all government regulations.

7. Rinse the resin tray with clean >90% alcohol solvent and discard solvent according to all government regulations.



8. Dry membrane gently with 30 psi dry compressed air using an air gun attachment, **or** allow tray to air dry.

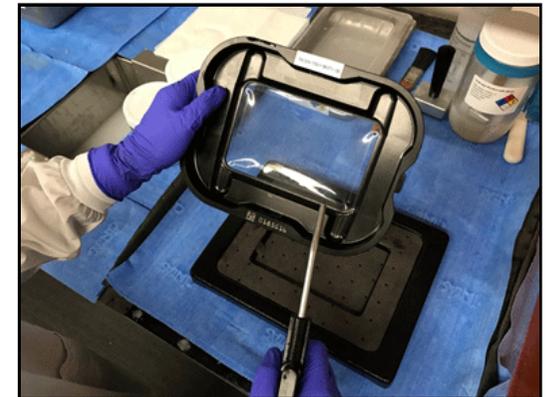
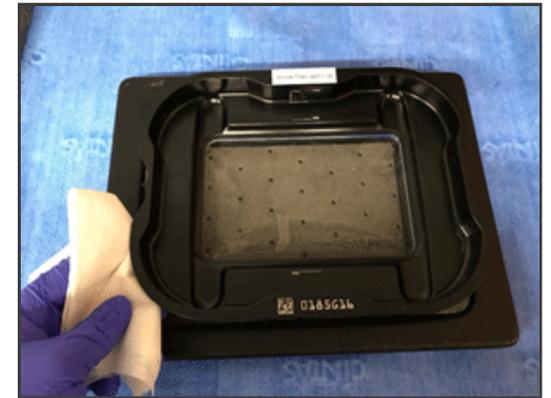


9. If uncured print material remains **within** the tray, repeat steps 5-8.

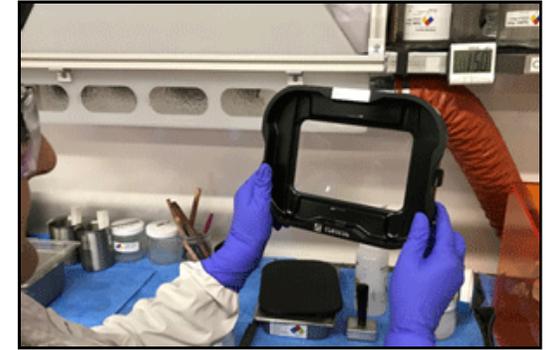
10. If uncured print material remains on the **outer edges** of the resin tray:

a. Wipe clean with a lint-free paper towel soaked with >90% alcohol solvent (~15mL). Dispose of used paper towels and gloves discard according to all government regulations.

b. Dry membrane gently with 30 psi dry compressed air using an air gun attachment, or allow tray to air dry.

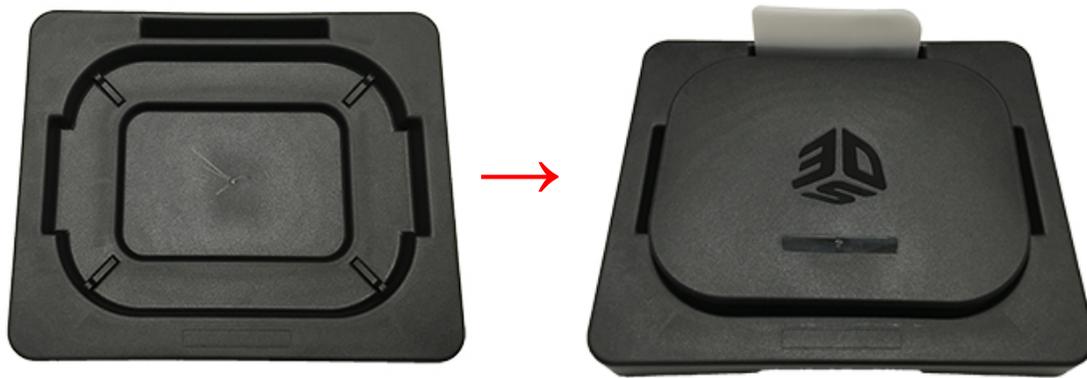


11. Inspect the resin tray to ensure no uncured resin and/or foreign debris remain.



12. Discard all paper towels/wipes used throughout this procedure according to all government regulations.

The resin tray can now be stored in the Resin-Tray Garage or filled with new print material for printing, according to the section [Resin-Tray Material Cross-Usage](#).



You can also store the resin tray in the printer with the cover from the garage on top, as seen below.



Clean Finishing Tools

It is necessary to clean any tools you used during post-processing before their next use, even if you are continuing to use the same resin. Items to be cleaned include:

1. Punch Tool
2. Resin Mixer
3. Platform Scraper
4. Part-Cleaning Brush
5. Your own dental tools

To clean any of these items, you can either soak them in >90% alcohol solvent or place them into a beaker of >90% alcohol solvent and put them in an ultrasonic cleaner. Ensure that they are **completely dry** before their next use, either by using compressed air or letting them air dry.

Service and Support

Should any questions or issues arise, please contact 3D Systems as listed below.

Customer Support Hotline

Please contact your Customer Support Hotline at one of the following numbers:

- US and Canada: 888-598-1438
- UK and EMEA: +44 1442 279883
- International: +1 803-326-3930

General

NextDent 5100 Printer service procedures must be performed only by a 3D Systems-certified service technician unless this guide explicitly states otherwise. If your 3D printer system needs service, contact 3D Systems Technical Support at the following numbers:

- In the United States or Canada, call 800-793-3669
- In Europe, call +49-6151-357357

You can also contact your local 3D Systems representative.

3D Systems' support portal is located at <http://www.3dsystems.com/support>

For material safety data sheets of 3D Systems' resins, go to <http://www.3dsystems.com/support/materials/msds>

For material safety data sheets of NextDent resins, go to <https://nextdent.com/> and **click** on the "3D Printing Materials" top-navigation item. **Click** on your resin to view that resin's webpage. From there, you will be able to access that resin's SDS and Instructions for Use.

Preventative Maintenance

To keep the NextDent 5100 Printer in proper working order, it is necessary to perform certain procedures for preventative maintenance. The operator can perform these tasks without the supervision, or services, of a certified 3D Systems field engineer. The following section describes the most up-to-date preventative maintenance procedures.



CAUTION: Before performing any preventative maintenance procedures, power the printer down using the power switch on the back and disconnect printer power by unplugging the power cord from the back of the machine.

Cleaning the Printer

Frequency:	Monthly
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The external and internal parts of the printer should be cleaned according to the guidelines in the following sections. Here is a quick overview:

1. Clean the flooring/walls/surfaces around the printer with >90% alcohol solvent to ensure that any resin drips have been wiped up. For cleaning dust and other debris, use a small vacuum or other method that does not release particulates in the air.
2. Clean the outside printer frame, EXCEPT FOR THE LID, with >90% alcohol solvent and a nonabrasive cloth. Please see the section [Inspect Printer Lid](#) for instructions on cleaning the printer lid.
3. Use >90% alcohol solvent and a nonabrasive cloth to clean elevator arms.
4. The following sections will give instructions on how to remove and clean more-specific parts of the printer. Please review all sections before cleaning your printer to ensure you are properly cleaning each component.

Clean/Replace the Catch Tray

Remove and Clean the Catch Tray

Frequency:	Weekly
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Remove the catch tray and clean it of dust or any drops of resin with a clean-room wipe and 90% Alcohol Solution as described below.

If there has been a significant leak from the resin tray, replace the resin tray and install the new catch tray that came with the new resin tray.



CAUTION: Do not attempt to use a catch tray after it has captured a significant spill of resin. It can be difficult to clean the glass well enough to ensure perfect transmission of the UV radiation to ensure good print quality. Instead, replace the catch tray. 3D Systems is not responsible for print quality failures due to a contaminated catch tray. Do not attempt to clean the catch tray while it is still inside the printer. The cleaning methods discussed below could cause damage to printer components if attempted inside the printer.



ALWAYS WEAR 100% NITRILE GLOVES WHEN HANDLING THE CATCH TRAY, EVEN IF IT APPEARS THERE IS NO RESIN ON THE OUTSIDE OF IT. GETTING FINGERPRINTS OR OTHER DEBRIS ON THE CATCH-TRAY GLASS CAN DEGRADE PRINT QUALITY. REMOVE/HOLD THE TRAY WITH BOTH HANDS AND UPRIGHT TO PREVENT SPILLING.

1. Carefully pull the catch tray toward you until it comes off its track. Keep the tray upright at all times while pulling it out of the machine.



2. If the catch tray glass is visually clean of dust and resin drips, skip to the section [Replace the Catch Tray](#) below. If the catch-tray glass has normal dust or other debris on it, proceed to **Step 3**. If only the catch-tray reservoirs have resin in them, proceed to **Step 4**. If the catch-tray glass only has a few drops of print material on it, proceed to **Step 5**.



CAUTION: Do NOT reuse print material that has spilled into the catch tray. Spilled material is no longer viable for printing, as contaminants could have mixed with it.

3. You may use any of the following methods to clean dust or other debris off the catch tray:
- a. Use shop air to blow debris off both sides of the catch-tray glass. Be sure you clean **both sides**.
 - b. Use a non-ammonia-based glass cleaner and a nonabrasive cloth to remove finger prints or other debris that is not print material. Be sure to clean **both sides** of the glass. After cleaning, use shop air or give the glass plenty of time to air dry before reinstalling.
4. To clean spilled resin in the catch tray and discard it:
- a. Pour out and discard the resin in the catch tray according to all government regulations.
 - b. Hold the catch tray over a drip pan and squirt 90% Alcohol Solution into the catch tray, tilting the tray so that all waste material comes out.
 - c. Use a nonabrasive cloth or lint-free paper towel to dry the inside of the catch tray.
 - d. Discard the catch tray and all waste products according to all government regulations.

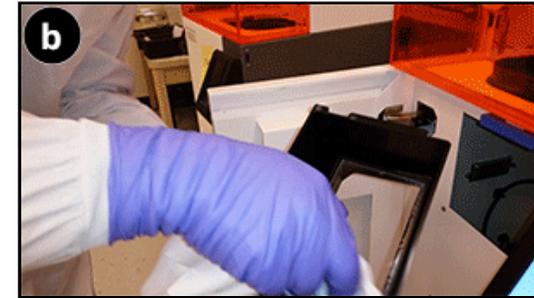
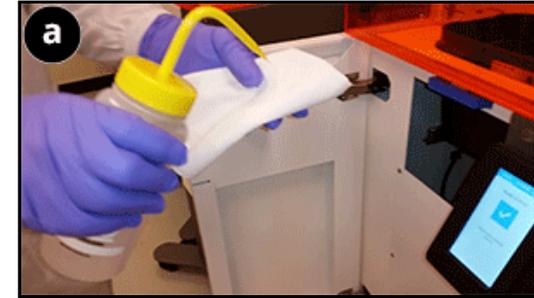


Catch tray with clean glass

5. To clean spots of resin on the catch-tray glass:

- a. Pour >90% alcohol solvent onto a nonabrasive cloth such as a clean-room wipe.
- b. Wipe the glass inside the catch tray until no more resin exists.
- c. Turn the catch tray over and, using a new cloth sprayed with 90% Alcohol Solution, wipe the glass on the bottom of the catch tray.
- d. Use shop air or give the glass plenty of time to air-dry before reinstalling.

6. Inspect the catch tray, ensuring that the glass plate has not detached or become damaged during cleaning.



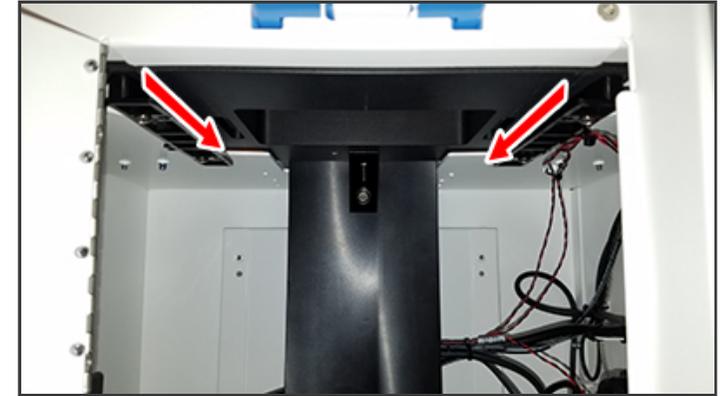
Replace the Catch Tray

Use the following instructions to reinsert the catch tray into the printer or to install a new catch tray.

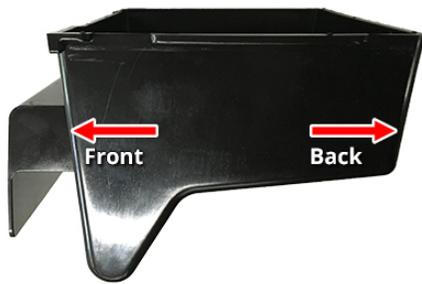


CAUTION: Operating the printer without a catch tray installed risks getting material on the print-engine components, and risks over-curing of the printed parts, as the projector's radiation is filtered slightly by the catch-tray glass. Printing without a catch tray installed will also slightly alter the size of printed parts.

1. Line up the catch tray on the rails.



2. Hold up the catch tray, flush with the underside of the chassis, and push it toward the back of the printer until it stops at the back of the rails. See the picture below for the correct orientation to install the catch tray.



3. Push gently against the front of the catch tray to ensure that it does not go back any more and is fully seated in the machine.

Clean Resin Tray

Frequency:	When changing materials, or monthly if using same material
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Please follow the instructions in the section [Clean Resin Tray](#) to clean it.



CAUTION: Failure to clean the resin tray regularly risks having partially cured resin bits in the tray, which can cause resin-tray membrane punctures and build failures.

Clean Tension System

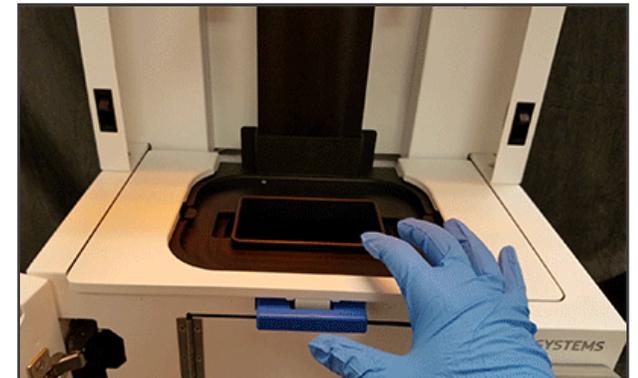
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To clean the tension latches on the left and right sides of the chassis:

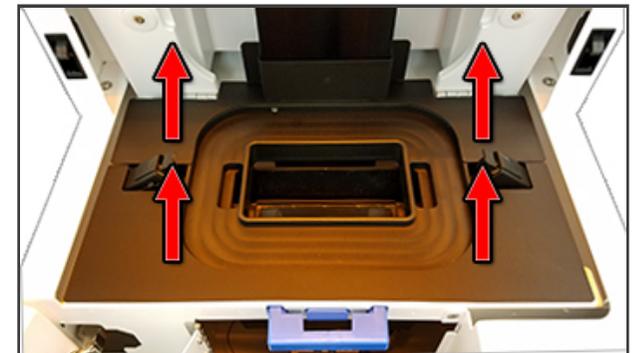


WEAR 100% NITRILE GLOVES THROUGHOUT THIS PROCEDURE.

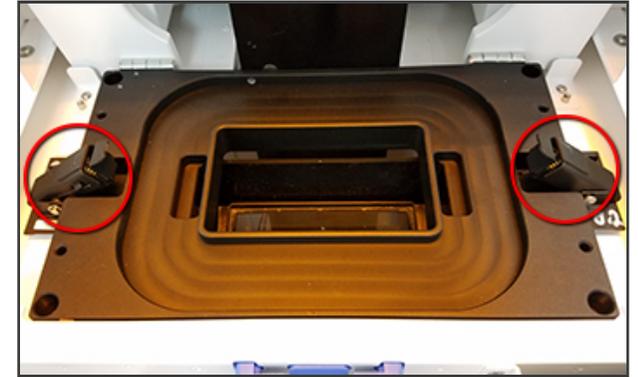
1. Untension the resin tray and carefully remove it. Place it in the resin-tray garage with the lid on.



2. Remove both vanity covers from the printer chassis. Clean the vanity covers with a nonabrasive cloth and 90% alcohol solution.

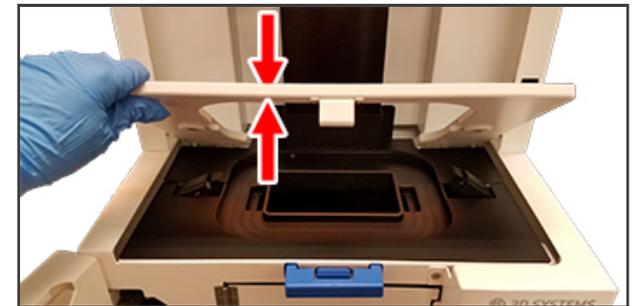


3. Pour 90% alcohol solution on a nonabrasive cloth. Clean both latches and inspect them for any signs of damage. If there is damage, contact your reseller.



4. Clean the top and bottom of the tension arm itself with 90% alcohol solution. Inspect the tension arm for any signs of damage. If there is damage, contact your reseller.

5. Reinstall the vanity covers over the chassis.

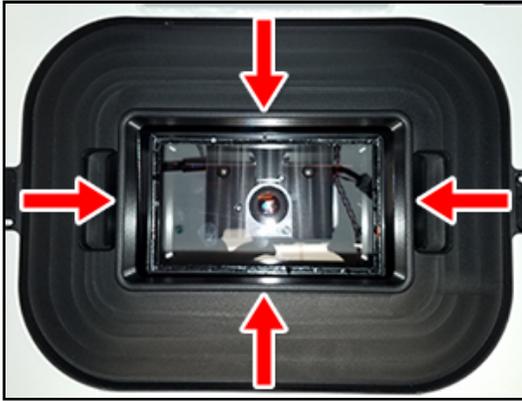


Cleaning of the tension system is now complete.

Clean Membrane-Interface Lip

Frequency:	Weekly
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The membrane interface lip is pictured below. It is the part of the chassis that makes contact with the resin-tray membrane.



If the lip has dust, debris, or resin on it, clean it with >90% alcohol solvent and a nonabrasive cloth. Inspect the lip for any damage, as chips or cracks could affect the tension of the resin-tray membrane during printing.

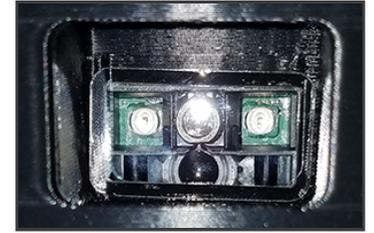
Clean Touch Screen and QR-Code Scanner

Frequency:	Monthly
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1. Ensure that the printer's touch screen does not have resin, dust, or other debris on it. If it does, pour >90% alcohol solvent on a nonabrasive cloth and wipe the screen down.



2. Ensure that the QR-Code Scanner's window does not have resin, dust, or other debris on it. If it does, pour >90% alcohol solvent on a nonabrasive cloth and wipe the screen down. You will not have access to clean behind the scanner's window. If you see that resin and/or debris has gotten inside the scanner window, contact your reseller.

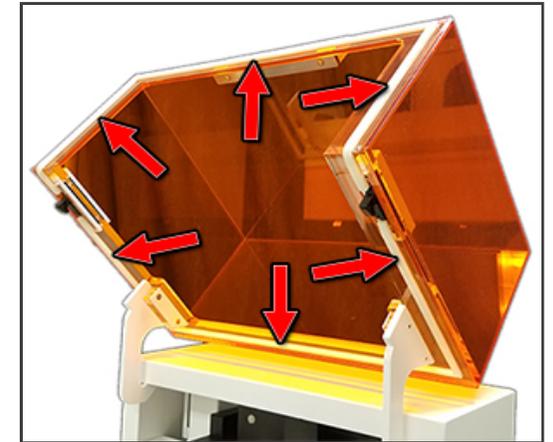


Inspect and Clean Printer Lid

Frequency:	Monthly
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Inspect Dust Seals

There are strips of dust-sealing material around the underside of the printer lid. These strips must remain intact to avoid dust and other debris entering the print chamber. There are seven strips in total, as indicated below. If ANY of these strips is damaged or removed, cease printing until the strip is replaced.

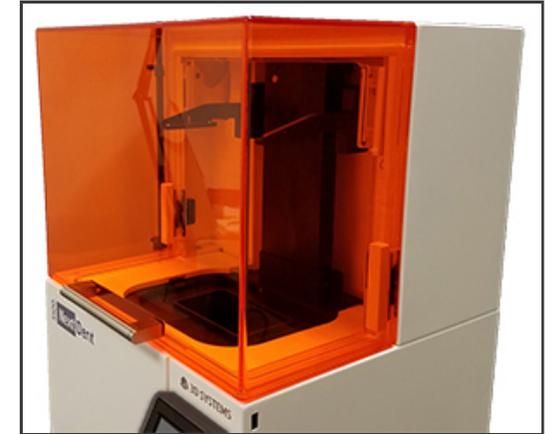


Inspect Printer Lid for Damage

Ensure that there is no damage to the printer lid that could hinder the printing process. Normal scratches are okay. Look for:

1. Cracks in the lid's plastic. Any cracks could expose the printing area to ambient UV light, which could affect part quality and could also cure material in the resin tray.
2. Breaks that do not allow the lid to close completely. If the lid does not fully close, the printing area could be exposed to ambient UV light.
3. Breaks that do not allow the lid to stay open when lifted. This type of break will make many print processes more difficult and prone to error.

If any of these conditions is found to exist, contact your reseller for replacement information.



Clean Lid

The outer surface of the lid should be cleaned monthly or as often as necessary to maintain an acceptable appearance. The printer lid is made of acrylic and must be cleaned with a specialty product such as Novus No. 1 or Brillianize. A mild solution of soap or detergent and water can also be safely used. NEVER use window-cleaning fluids with ammonia (such as Windex or Formula 409), gasoline, denatured alcohol, carbon tetrachloride, or acetone, which will cause the acrylic to crack. It is best not to have a print platform or resin tray installed during lid cleaning, so as not to contaminate either with the cleaner you are using. During the cleaning cycle, verify that the hinges move freely. If the hinges are binding, contact your reseller.

1. Apply the cleaning product with a damp, nonabrasive, lint-free cloth. Using a microfiber cloth or cellulose sponge is also acceptable.
2. Rinse with a nonabrasive cloth and clear, clean water.
3. Blot-dry with a chamois, damp cellulose sponge, or microfiber cloth to prevent water spotting



NOTE: Grease, oil, and tar may be removed with a good grade of hexane, naphtha or kerosene. Be sure to wash these solvents off quickly to prevent damage to the acrylic.

Inspect Projector Lens and All Cables

Frequency:	Every two weeks
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1. Ensure that the power cable is in good shape. If the cable is damaged and/or any wiring is exposed, cease use of the printer and order a new power cable.
2. Ensure the Ethernet cable is in good shape and that it still connects tightly on the network port of both the printer and your Ethernet outlet. If this cable is damaged and/or wiring is exposed, cease use of printer and replace Ethernet cable.

Inspect the area around both wired connections for dust collection and other debris. Keeping these areas clean will prevent a static hazard and potential damage to the printer.

3. Clean the projector lens every two weeks or as needed. Use a clean-room swab and >90% alcohol solvent to wipe the projector lens of any dust. Be sure to wet the clean-room swab with the alcohol, rather than squirting it directly onto the lens. Wear 100% nitrile gloves whenever handling >90% alcohol solvent.



CAUTION: Do not use the printer if resin has spilled onto the projector, rather than just the lens. Do not attempt to clean the projector. Contact your reseller immediately.



Check Printer Level

Frequency:	Every three months
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Check that the printer is still level relative to the chassis, whether it is on the pedestal or not.

Place bubble level on chassis, as seen at the right. If the bubble is not in the center of the circle, follow the steps in the section [Level the Printer on Pedestal](#).



Check Print-Platform Level

Frequency:	As needed
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If the print surface on the print platform is not level, it will affect the quality of your builds and may even lead to build failure. If a print platform is not level, it cannot be reliably bent to be made level and must be discarded according to all government regulations. This section describes how to identify the two ways in which your platform might be bent.

Identify a Convex Print Platform

1. Place the print platform, print-surface down, on a level surface.
2. Place a spacer of some kind that is between 0.5mm - 0.75mm thick (such as a credit card, shim, or washer) on the same level surface next to the platform.

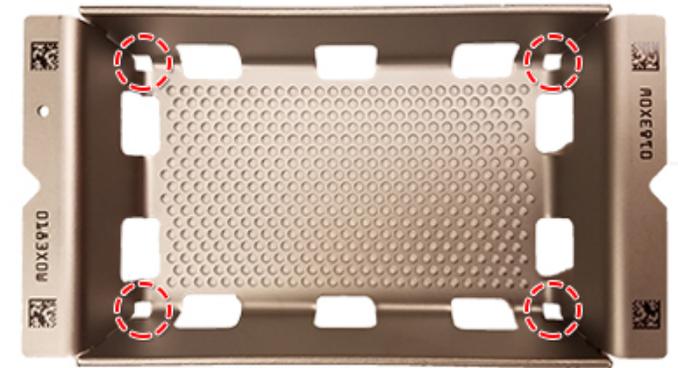


NOTE: This test will be more accurate the closer your spacer is to 0.5mm.

3. Slide the spacer against one corner of the platform and ensure that the spacer does NOT fit underneath. If the spacer does fit underneath, the platform is convex on that corner.



4. Perform this check for each corner of the platform. If the spacer fits under any corner, the platform is convex and must be discarded.



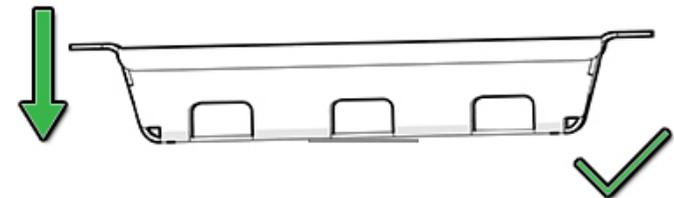
Identify a Concave Print Platform

1. Obtain a small spacer between 0.5mm - 0.75mm thick, such as a round shim or washer. Place the spacer on a level surface.
2. Place the print platform, print-surface down, on top of the spacer such that the spacer is in the center of the platform.

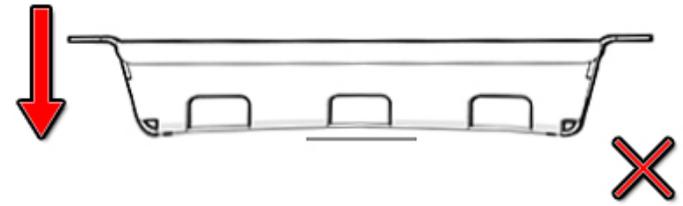


Shown upside-down for clarity

3. Gently push down on each of the four sides of the platform, one-at-a-time, and ensure that the platform rocks in the direction you are pushing. If the platform does NOT rock, it is an indication that the platform surface is concave.



Good test - the platform tilts and is NOT concave. It may be reused.



Bad test - the platform does not tilt and is concave. It may NOT be reused. Platform bend in this image is exaggerated for clarity.

Preventative Maintenance Checklist

This checklist is designed to help you keep up to date with regular printer maintenance. This is NOT an official document that must be submitted to your reseller; it is only for your information. Fill out the information in ALL the fields, and then press ctrl+P (cmd+P on Mac) to print the document. There is space at the bottom to sign and date if you wish to do so.

This is NOT an online form and is not submitted to any entity.

Company Name:

Maintenance Performer:

Date:

Weekly Items

Clean Membrane Interface Lip ([link](#))

Every 2 weeks

Only check box if performed this week. Otherwise, just fill in the date last performed.

Inspect Projector Lens and All Cables ([link](#)) - Last performed

Without removing the Catch Tray, Inspect Catch-Tray Glass for smudges/print material. Remove and clean if necessary ([link](#)). - Last performed

Monthly

Only check box if performed this week. Otherwise, just fill in the date last performed.

Clean Resin Tray ([link](#)) - Last performed

Cleaning the Printer ([link](#)) - Last performed

Clean Tension System ([link](#)) - Last performed

Inspect and Clean Printer Lid ([link](#)) - Last performed

Clean Touch Screen and QR-Code Scanner ([link](#)) - Last performed

Every 3 Months

Only check box if performed this week. Otherwise, just fill in the date last performed.

Change Air Filter ([link](#)) - Last performed

Change Carbon Filter ([link](#)) - Last performed

Check Printer Level ([link](#)) - Last performed

Maintenance Performer Signature:

Date:

Troubleshooting

There are unique situations you may encounter when operating the printer. This section has compiled a partial list of these situations and methods of troubleshooting them.



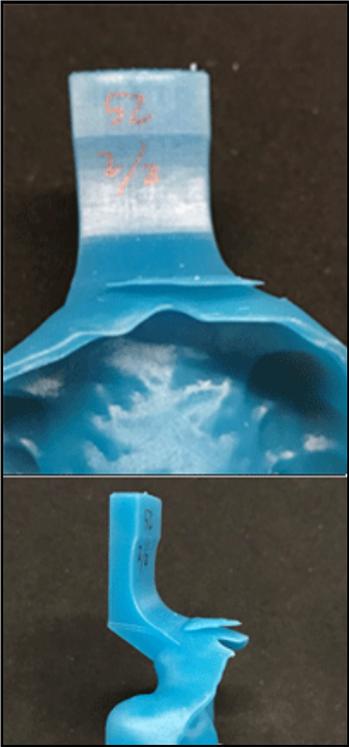
NOTE: Unless troubleshooting steps require the printer to operate, shut down the printer and unplug it before performing troubleshooting steps.

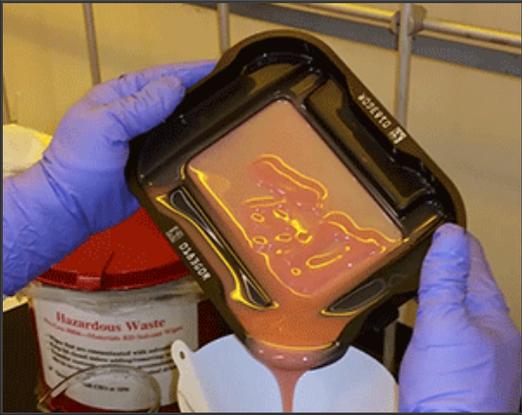
General Issues

#	Issue Description	Customer Troubleshooting Steps
GI1	Printer screen hangs on initialization screen	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Turn the printer off and unplug it. Wait ten seconds. Plug printer back in and turn it on.2. If problem persists, contact 3D Systems Service.
GI2	Printer screen freezes during operation	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Wait for the current print job to finish and move to the offload position. Remove the print platform from machine. Turn printer off and unplug it. Wait ten seconds. Plug printer back in and turn it on.2. If screen freezes again, contact 3D Systems Service.
GI3	3D Sprint will not install	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. The downloaded installer file might be corrupted. Delete your installer file and download it again. If the installation is still not successful, contact 3D Systems Service.

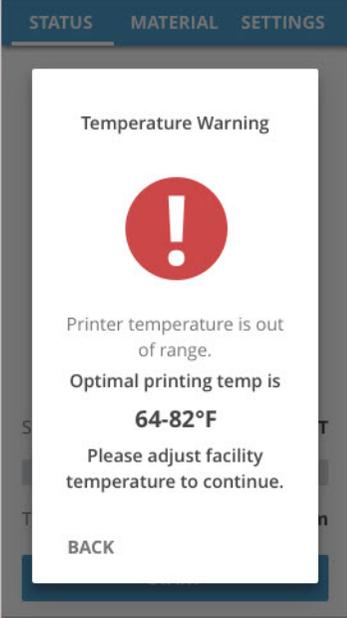
Printed Part Quality

#	Issue Description	Customer Troubleshooting Steps
PPQ1	Part not accurate in the X/Y direction	Run the Accuracy Wizard in 3D Sprint, as seen in the section Accuracy Wizard .

#	Issue Description	Customer Troubleshooting Steps
PPQ2	<p>Delamination between layers - this is separation of printed layers, which do not cure together properly</p> 	<p>This can be caused by:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Not enough material in the resin tray. To prevent this, be sure to fill material back up to the minimum level specified in this guide before building. 2. Cured material or other debris caught in between layers. Run cleaning print. 3. The part orientation on the print platform can contribute to delamination. Please see the section 3D Sprint Part Orientation Guide to find out the best way to orient your part. 4. Spilled print material or other debris gets in between the projector's radiation path and the print surface. In this case, remove the resin tray and catch tray and inspect them for spots of resin. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Clean the resin tray, as in the section Clean Resin Tray. b. Follow the guidelines in the section Clean/Replace the Catch Tray to determine if your catch tray needs to be cleaned or replaced. c. Follow the guidelines in the section Inspect Projector Lens and All Cables to determine if you can clean your lens, or if the resin spill is too wide-spread to clean with simple means. <p> CAUTION: Do not attempt to clean anything in the lower print chamber outside of what is listed in this guide. Doing so risks further damage to the printer. For large resin spills, contact your reseller immediately.</p>
PPQ3	<p>Voids in printed part - holes or empty spaces where there shouldn't be</p>	<p>This can be caused by:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Not enough material in the resin tray. To prevent this, be sure to fill material back up to the minimum level specified in this guide before building. 2. Spilled print material or other debris gets in between the projector's radiation path and the print surface. In this case, remove the resin tray and catch tray and inspect them for spots of resin. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Clean the resin tray, as in the section Clean Resin Tray.

#	Issue Description	Customer Troubleshooting Steps
		<p>b. Follow the guidelines in the section Clean/Replace the Catch Tray to determine if your catch tray needs to be cleaned or replaced.</p> <p>c. Follow the guidelines in the section Inspect Projector Lens and All Cables to determine if you can clean your lens, or if the resin spill is too wide-spread to clean with simple means.</p> <p> CAUTION: Do not attempt to clean anything in the lower print chamber outside of what is listed in this guide. Doing so risks further damage to the printer. For large resin spills, contact your reseller immediately.</p> <p>3. Cured material fused to the resin-tray membrane during a previous build, or bits of cured material were floating in the resin tray during a previous build. If this is the case, choose between either method A or B below to clean the resin tray:</p> <p>A. This is not required if you completed Method B successfully. For Method A, perform the procedure in the section Running a Resin Tray Cleaning.</p> <p>B. This is not required if you completed Method A successfully. For Method B, empty the resin tray and clean the partially cured resin out.</p> <p>i. Discard the resin in the resin tray according to all government regulations.</p>  <p>ii. Wearing 100% nitrile gloves, hold the resin mixer at the edge of the cured resin, while simultaneously <i>gently</i> pushing the cured resin from underneath the film. Use the resin mixer to <i>gently</i> scrape underneath the cured part to remove it.</p>

#	Issue Description	Customer Troubleshooting Steps
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PPQ4	Part color is incorrect	<p>Any one of the following could be the cause:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Resin was not mixed in the bottle before pouring - Be sure to mix/stir the resin before printing according to the section Mix/Stir Print Material. 2. Resin was not stirred in the resin tray before printing - Be sure to mix/stir the resin before printing according to the section Mix/Stir Print Material. 3. A combination of both 1 and 2 - Be sure to mix/stir the resin before printing according to the section Mix/Stir Print Material. 4. You may have poured the wrong resin - Ensure that the resin you pour in the resin tray is from the same bottle you scanned. 5. You may have over-cured or under-cured the part - Ensure the part is cured as recommended in the Resin Stirring and Curing Chart. 6. You may not have cleaned the resin tray well enough before changing from one pigmented resin to another.

#	Issue Description	Customer Troubleshooting Steps
PPQ5	Part does not adhere to the print platform	<p>This could be caused by:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Dirty projector lens - Clean the lens according to the section Inspect Projector Lens and Cables. 2. Dirty catch-tray glass - Clean the glass according to the section Clean/Replace the Catch Tray. 3. Debris on the print platform - partially cured resin from a previous build or other debris could prevent adhesion. Ensure you clean the print platform between each build as in the section Clean Print Platform. 4. Damaged or bent platform. Contact support.
PPQ6	Temperature warning on touch screen	<p>The optimal operating temperature of the printer is between 18°C-28°C (64.4°F-82.4°F). If you attempt to start a print job while the printer temperature is outside these limits, you will see the screen below. Adjust your facility's temperature to be within this acceptable range and, once this temperature has been reached, the message will disappear and you can continue printing. Tap the Cancel button to go back to the Pending Job screen.</p> 
PPQ7	Print does not start.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Make sure to follow UI prompts. 2. If still experiencing issues, contact your reseller.

#	Issue Description	Customer Troubleshooting Steps
PPQ8	Part did not build.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Ensure nothing is blocking the path of the projector's radiation to the bottom of the resin tray. 2. Ensure the build style used in 3D Sprint matches resin used in the print. 3. Ensure that Print Platform is seated correctly on elevator arms.
PPQ9	Part does not adhere to supports.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Wrong support style - Please see 3D Sprint Best Practices 2. Not enough supports - Please see 3D Sprint Best Practices
PPQ10	Pitting/Chalkiness	<p>Ensure part is cleaned and dried correctly before post-curing: See Cleaning Procedure</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Do not leave part in alcohol solvent longer than recommended. See Cleaning Procedure 2. Replace alcohol solution if saturated. 3. Spot clean hard to reach areas (engraving, small holes).
PPQ11	Line Defects	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Check for debris in resin. (if there is debris, run a resin-tray cleaning). 2. Check part orientation. Please see Part Orientation Guide. 3. Check supports. Please see 3D Sprint Best Practices

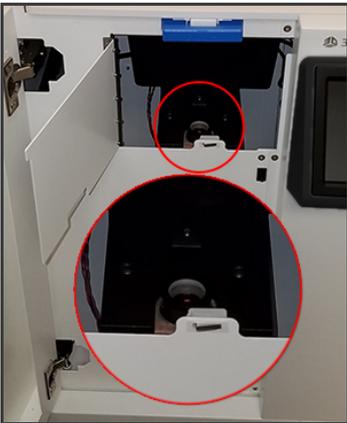
Hardware Issues



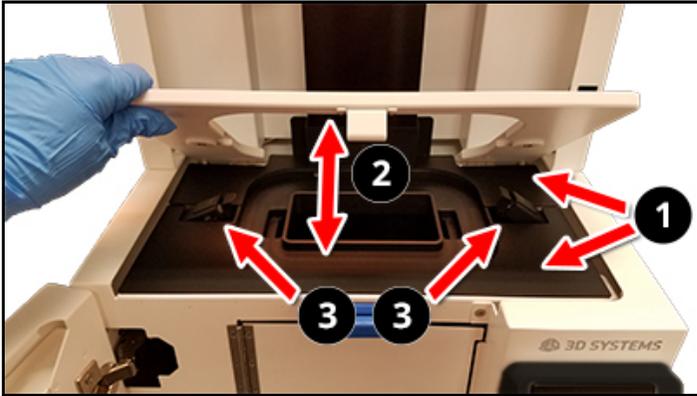
WEAR 100% NITRILE GLOVES WHENEVER HANDLING RESIN OR SOLVENTS

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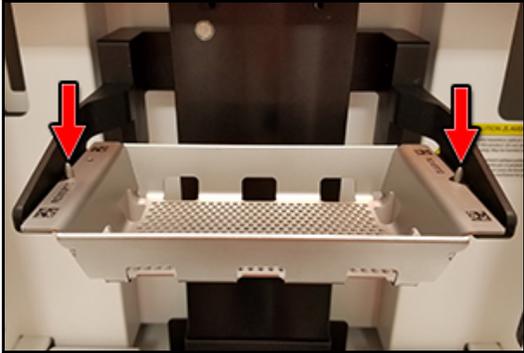
#	Issue Description	Customer Troubleshooting Steps
HW1	<p>Resin cures in the resin tray from ambient light sources.</p> 	<p>Ensure that you do not stage the printer in an area where it will be exposed to the following: Sunlight (even through windows), quartz-halogen lights, high-intensity incandescent lights, and other UV-intensive lighting. To clean cured resin out of the resin tray:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Remove the resin tray from the machine. 2. If cured resin is on the upper lip of the tray, as in the picture at the left, use the Resin Mixer to scrape the cured material off. 3. If cured resin is in the main part of the tray, it will likely be floating on top as a thin film. You should be able to lift this film out wearing nitrile gloves. If you are printing with Gingiva Mask, the cured resin will be at the bottom of the tray. You should be able to remove this cured resin with the resin mixer. <p>In either case, you must discard the rest of the resin in the resin tray, as you will not have a way of knowing the amount this resin has cured. Discard the resin according to all government regulations.</p>
HW2	Resin Tray membrane is punctured or otherwise damaged.	The resin tray will have to be replaced. Contact your reseller to order more trays. It is a good idea to have at least one extra tray on-hand to reduce printer downtime.
HW3	Elevator Arms are loose	If elevator arms appear to be loose when placing a print platform on them, gently push on the arms in multiple directions to see if they shake. If they do, contact your reseller immediately. The printer will need to be sent in for repairs.
HW4	Resin spills inside machine	<p>Resin spills in different parts of the machine will require different actions by the printer operator. Please find the scenario that matches your spill below:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Spilled resin is contained in the catch tray reservoirs, and <u>no resin</u> is on catch-tray glass - Remove the tray and dispose of the resin in the tray according to all government regulations. Rinse the catch tray out with >90% alcohol solvent and re-install in machine. 

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		<p data-bbox="862 140 2038 220">2. Spilled resin hits the catch-tray glass - Follow the guidelines in the section Clean/Replace the Catch Tray to determine if your catch tray needs to be cleaned or replaced.</p> <div data-bbox="907 252 1254 454" style="text-align: center;"></div> <p data-bbox="862 502 2038 630">3. Spilled resin hits projector lens - Follow the guidelines in the section Inspect Projector Lens and All Cables to determine if you can clean your lens, or if the resin spill is too wide-spread to clean with simple means.</p> <div data-bbox="907 662 1254 1085" style="text-align: center;"></div> <div data-bbox="896 1125 2094 1236" style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"><p data-bbox="907 1129 974 1189"></p><p data-bbox="996 1129 2083 1220">CAUTION: Do not attempt to clean anything in the lower print chamber outside of what is listed in this guide. Doing so risks further damage to the printer. For large resin spills, contact your reseller immediately.</p></div> <p data-bbox="862 1268 2083 1396">4. Spilled resin hits components of the upper build chamber - If the resin has spilled on the orange lid (A), do NOT use >90% alcohol solvent. Clean the lid according to the section Inspect Printer Lid. If the resin has hit any other component (B) besides the orange lid, clean the spill with >90% alcohol solvent and a</p>

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		<p>nonabrasive cloth.</p> 
HW5	Resin spills outside machine	<p>Resin spills outside the machine will require different actions by the printer operator. Please find the scenario that matches your spill below:</p> <p>Porous surfaces - These are surfaces that will absorb liquids. Examples of porous surfaces are: carpeting, unfinished wood, certain stone tiles/counters. It is not recommended to stage the printer on surfaces such as these, as resin cannot be reliably cleaned out of them. If resin spills on these, the recommendation is replace the affected sections of the surface.</p> <p>Non-porous surfaces - These are surfaces that will absorb little or no liquid. Examples of non-porous surfaces are: metal, glass, hard plastic, concrete, and finished wood. To clean spills on these surfaces, use paper towels to soak up as much resin as possible. Use >90% alcohol solvent and paper towels to clean residual spilled resin. Discard all spilled resin and cleaning materials according to all government regulations.</p>

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HW6	Touch screen touch input not working	There may be resin buildup on the screen. Clean the screen with >90% alcohol solvent and a nonabrasive cloth.
HW7	Machine makes noise; but touch screen is blank or off	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="869 272 2063 352">1. GUI computer might be frozen. Unplug printer and leave unplugged for 30 seconds. Plug printer back in and turn on. <li data-bbox="869 389 1995 469">2. If Step 1 does not work, contact your reseller immediately. The printer will have to be sent in for repairs.
HW8	Tension arm does not fully close	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="869 553 2085 633">1. Ensure that the vanity plates are properly seated on the chassis. Pay particular attention to the rear piece that partially covers the elevator. <li data-bbox="869 654 1957 686">2. Ensure there is nothing obstructing the underside of the tension arm or the top of the chassis. <li data-bbox="869 722 1644 754">3. Ensure that the tension clamps move freely and are unobstructed. 
HW9	Printer Lid does not close	Ensure that the tension arm is fully closed. If the arm is raised or simply not fully locked into place, the lid will be hard to close or may not close at all.

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HW10	Printer Front Door does not close	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li data-bbox="869 167 2078 303">1. Ensure that the catch-tray access door (1) is fully closed. If the catch tray is not fully seated, this door cannot close- thus, the front door cannot close, either. Ensure that the catch tray is pushed all the way back.<li data-bbox="869 338 1644 367">2. Ensure there are no obstructions blocking the door from closing. 

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HW11	Elevator Arms unable to lower the Print Platform onto the Resin Tray's membrane surface	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Ensure that the print platform is seated correctly on the elevator arms, with the triangular grooves of the platform fitting around the conical pins on the elevator arms. Ensure that no built-up resin or other debris are preventing this from happening. 2. Ensure that there is nothing obstructing the sides or back of the elevator spine that limits the motion of the elevator arms. 
HW12	Barcode on bottle not scanning/Printer asks to "select previously scanned bottle"	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Ensure the QR code on your bottle is clear and does not have resin or other material on it that obstructs it. 2. Ensure the QR code scanner's window is clean of dust and debris. 3. Ensure your printer has an active internet connection. Scanning data is sent to a 3D Systems server for validation and the scanner will not operate correctly offline or on a closed network. 4. The printer might not be able to contact the QR-code-scanning server. Contact your network administrator and have him/her white-list the address mqg.3dsystems.com.

Part-Cleaning Issues

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PCI1	Parts come out of cleaning process dirty, shiny, or sticky.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Parts may not have been properly cleaned. Ensure you have followed all the steps in the sections under Cleaning Printed Parts. 2. Parts may not have been cleaned soon enough after printing. Be sure to clean your printed parts within 24 hours of the print job finishing. 3. Solvent baths may need to be changed.
PCI2	Parts show surface cracks or edge erosion during sonication cleaning.	Your particular print material may be sensitive to sonication power. Reduce the power of your ultrasonic cleaner; reduce the duration of sonication; or, reduce the temperature of the cleaner's tank.
PCI3	Parts crack downstream after post curing.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Parts may have been overexposed to solvents during cleaning. Ensure that you clean printed parts no longer than the times specified in the section Cleaning Parts Using an Ultrasonic Cleaner. 2. If your cleaning times were correct, there are other cleaning parameters that you can try changing: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Reduce sonication power. b. If your ultrasonic cleaner's power setting cannot be changed, reduce cleaning time. c. Reduce temperature of liquid in ultrasonic cleaner. d. Increase drying time after cleaning.
PCI4	Supporting architecture not completely removed by hand	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Ensure that for future builds, you have removed the supporting architecture before post-curing the part(s). The post-curing process makes the supports stronger and, therefore, harder to remove. 2. Use tools such as flat snips and/or tweezers to remove support remnants from tight areas of your part. 3. Perform wet-sanding with >90% alcohol solvent on support remnants.

Network Issues

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NI1	Computer unable to connect to printer because of network firewalls	Contact your network administrator. The printer's IP address must be added as an exception on your firewall. You can find the printer's IP address by going to the Settings tab on the touch screen.
NI2	Unable to use proxy server for connection	Proxy servers are not supported on this machine.
NI3	Unable to set static IP address from machine	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Please contact your network administrator to ensure you have a DHCP server and that it is set up correctly. 2. Ensure that DHCP is enabled in the printer settings.
NI4	Printer unable to verify materials over network/Printer asks to "select previously scanned bottle"	<p>Contact your network administrator to ensure that:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. mqq.3dsystems.com is made as an exception on your firewall. 2. Port 443 is open.
NI5	Cannot connect to Internet via USB dongle	Internet connection via USB is not available on this machine.
NI6	I am not sure if my network cable is bad	Use the cable on another device, such as a computer, to test it.

Repackaging the NextDent 5100

If you are moving your printer to another facility in a vehicle, it is best to repackage the printer in its original packaging. If you did not keep your original packaging, contact your reseller to order a repackaging kit. If you do not repackage the printer in its original packaging or in the packaging provided in the repackaging kit, using the instructions in this section, you will assume liability for the printer in its move.

Repackaging the Printer in its Original Packaging

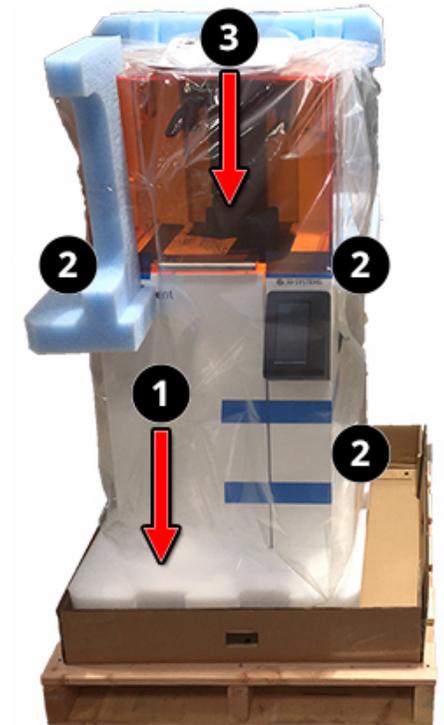
1. Place the bottom cardboard piece on the pallet as shown at the right. Place bottom foam pieces in the orientation shown, leaving room on the right for the accessories box.

2. Place painter's tape around all door and lid seals as pictured.



CAUTION: Do not use any other tape besides painter's tape to seal the doors. This will ensure that your tape does not leave a sticky residue on the printer.

3. Team-lift the printer into place on the foam pieces, as shown. Place plastic sleeve and blue foam pieces over printer as shown.



4. Place items in accessories box as seen at the right. Be sure to use bubble wrap or similar package-protection measures.

- a. (bottom) Carbon Filter
- b. (middle) Resin-Tray Garage
- c. (top) Ethernet Cable
- d. Nitrile Gloves
- e. Print Platforms
- f. Platform Scraper, Part-Cleaning Brush, Wire Brush, Resin Mixer, Bubble Level, Punch Tool
- g. Resin Tray



5. Place the accessories box in the long cardboard frame it originally came in. Use packing tape over it to secure it to the frame.



6. Place cardboard frame with accessories box next to the printer box on the pallet. It should fit snugly in the empty slot, with the accessories box facing outward.



7. Slide the outer box around the printer and accessories box.



8. Insert packing clips in the holes on all four sides of the printer package. Close the clips to lock them in place.



9. Use packing tape to seal the top of the box.

10. Secure the box to the pallet using packing belts.

Your printer is now ready to move to another facility!



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