Class II. – modifications for amalgam

• Compound cavity



Large defects - restoration with the replacement of cusps



Occlusal cavity

Proximal cavity







Slot is a cavity that is open on occlusal surface only in proximal ridge.



Slot for amalgam

- Access to the caries lesion
- go through the enamel wall
- breaking out of the enamel lamella
- excavation of carious dentin











Slot for amalgam

- Autoretention
- Grooves
- Divergency towards gingiva
- Convergency and divergency of axial walls in horizontal plane

• Rule of the gingival wall

Slot for amalgam

• Rule of the gingival wall

90% angle towards the pulpal wall outer line beveled if in enamel horizontal groove







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Slot cavity

- Limited on proximal ridge
- Axial walls are divergent towards gingiva
- The proximal box has a typical picture of fish tail
- There are grooves:
- One horizontal in gingival wall
- Two vertical in axial walls



























• Clear and sharp outlines

- Autoretention
- Cavities pins
- Grooves

Large amalgam restoration overlays





Preparation for adhesive materials

- No extension for prevention (adhesion)
- No grooves
- No undercuts
- Rounded box
- Acid etching
- Priming bonding
- Placement of the material using matrices.

Cavity for amalgam



Cavity for composite











Alternative preparation - slot



























Circular matrix, wedge. Proximal wall is built first.





Sectional matrix, wedge, separator

Tunnel preparation











