Don’t be sidelined by a facial injury!
If you have suffered a facial fracture (nasal, orbit, or jaw), a custom athletic faceguard can help you return to competition while healing. We are experts in the field: Medical Art Resources has been making protective faceguards for professional athletes as well as college and high school athletes for many years. Our goal is to get you back in your game as quickly as your doctor allows.

Why choose Medical Art Resources for a faceguard?
- Quick turnaround time—usually 3-5 days
- Trusted by the NBA for our expertise in protection of facial anatomy
- Pain-free, safe and accurate facial mold, created in 30-40 minutes
- Custom eye openings to preserve your peripheral vision
- Straps custom fit for your sport to ensure that your faceguard stays in place
- Recommended by Facial Plastic & Reconstructive surgeons

What’s the process for getting a faceguard?
- Your physician determines how soon we can begin—usually just a few days after the injury or surgical repair.
- We communicate with your doctor about the specifics of your injury and design your faceguard to protect the injured area.
- During an office appointment, we make a full facial mold (a precise and accurate model of your face), using gentle materials that will not re-injure recent fractures or disrupt sutures.
- We fabricate the faceguard, which usually takes 3 to 5 business days.
- When the faceguard is complete, we see you again for a custom fitting to verify an accurate fit, adjust the eye openings, and ensure that the straps work for your sport.
- Your physician should approve the completed faceguard and authorize return to practice and competition.

Frequently asked questions...

What if I can’t get to your office?
We see patients in Milwaukee and Madison, Wisconsin. We travel periodically to South Bend and Indianapolis, Indiana, where molds can also be made. If you cannot come to one of our offices, we may be able to partner with a provider in your area to make the facial mold and verify the final fit.

Are custom protective faceguards covered by insurance?
Faceguards are not usually covered by insurance because they may not be medically necessary. For this reason we require a deposit when the mold is made and payment in full upon delivery. We will complete a claim form for you as a courtesy, but we cannot take responsibility for pre-determination, prior authorization or follow up on claims for faceguards. Some colleges and universities provide insurance for athletes that may cover the cost of the faceguard.

What about off-the-shelf and mail-order faceguards?
Athletes tell us that off-the-shelf faceguards obstruct peripheral vision and are uncomfortable. Faces come in many shapes and sizes, making a one-size-fits-all faceguard problematic. The protective value of a faceguard is dependent upon an accurate facial mold. If the mold is not made by an expert and properly handled it can easily distort—resulting in a poor fit. A faceguard that arrives in the mail may be fine, but if not properly fitted it will not feel comfortable or protect you well.

We’d love to hear from you!
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