Closed Molding

Comprehesive products, services and training to support a variety of closed molding methods



Closed molding is a consistent and repeatable manufacturing method enabling higher quality parts, faster production, reduced emissions, and with less waste compared to open molding. With this method, fiber reinforcements are laid into the base mold, the mold is closed and sealed, and the resin is injected into the closed mold cavity. Once the resin has cured, the mold is opened and the part is removed.

Types of Closed Molding:

MVP products and technical experts support a variety of closed molding processes, and often tailor or combine solutions for the perfect application. A process is selected based on many factors such as part size, complexity, and desired production volume. MVP supports each of these processes with a variety of specialized equipment and accessories, as well as personalized training for customers.



Resin Transfer Molding (RTM)

Classic RTM is used to produce a high volume of parts per day. The process uses a composite mold reinforced by metal which is then injected under high pressure.



Light Resin Transfer Molding (LRTM)

LRTM, one of the most common closed molding methods, uses a rigid mold and simi-rigid counter mold which is sealed by vacuum. Resin is then injected with an injection machine.



Resin Infusion Process

Resin Infusion Process is utilized for production of large parts and when higher glass content is required. MVP created a single injection port solution for simple operation and developed a unique silicone resin channel network and plastic bag closing system to speed production times for this process even more.



Flex Molding Process

Sometimes referred to as reusable bag molding, Flex Molding was developed by MVP and utilizes one rigid mold half and one flexible mold half, either a plastic bag or a silicone membrane.



Fast Flow LRTM

The latest closed mold process from MVP, Fast Flow LRTM is a blend of the Flex Molding Process and LRTM. It utilizes collapsible resin channels and a unique channel layout for faster injection times. The process enables the production of larger parts with even higher resin viscosity, and eliminates the need for trimming once parts are demolded.

Closed Molding Equipment:

Our closed molding products provide a comprehensive package including reliable injection systems, accessories and seals. MVP products enable proper and accurate injection into reinforced composite molds, LRTM molds, disposable bags, and many reusable bag methods without over pressurizing the mold or part.

Patriot Innovator

The Patriot Innovator RTM Systems were designed for injecting polyester, vinylester and methacrylate resins and catalyst at controlled pressures. The material mixing is done on demand at the injection head, and the catalyst ratio can be adjusted from 0.75% to 2.5% or configured to accomodate a wider range. The system features a unique control panel for easy operation. The fully pneumatic automated controls, controlling the number of strokes during injections, recirculation and more, makes the process easier and more efficient. The PLC control option provides exact control of shot sizes, reducing material waste and saving cost. The PLC option is also equipped with RFID tracking for supplies and injection formulas for safer injections and increased accuracy.



Patriot Innovator PLC System

1:1 Patriot Silicone System

The 1:1 Patriot Silicone System is specifically designed to mix and dispense multiple 1:1 volumetric materials, making it ideal for producing reusable membranes. The system was developed to mix and dispense viscous materials through a gravity feed system that eliminates the need for a ram pump.

Other system features include:

- 1:1 fixed ratio fluid pumps
- Precise Patriot™ metering technology
- 15 gallon A + B polyethylene tanks for gravity feeding
- Easy maneuverability on cart mount model
- Single trigger action to start/stop the spray flow
- Easy low cost maintenance on gun
- Reduced downtime for standard system maintenance with rapid access design

MVP also offers a 10:1 Silicone System.



1:1 Patriot Silicone System

Flex Molding Process Accessories:

Pneumatic PV

Sensor

(PPVS-INF)

Pipe Clamp

Manual

(IPC-1000)

Infusion Film Adapter -

No Resin Feed Channel

(IFA-2000-FLX)

Universal Insert

Resin Feed

Channel

IVx3 3-Position

Injection Valve

(8010-INV2)

Automatic Vacuum

Channel Valve

(INV-VCV-1000)

Infusion Film Adapter -

Omega Feed Channel

(IFA-1000-FLX)

Universal Insert PPVS,

Vacuum & Locking Seal

(FLX-UI-500)



PIPE CONNECTORS

INSERTS FOR PLASTIC BAGS

RESIN CHANNEL & TECHNICAL CLOTH

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Mold Groove Seal (FLX-GS-25M)



Small Locking Lip Seal (FLX-SLS)



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360° Small Double Locking Lip Seal for Membrane (FLX-SLS-360)



IVx3 Filter/Regulator -1 Feedline Control Module (8016)



Universal Injection Adapter - 10mm (6319)



Infusion Film Adapter for 12mm Spiral Tube (IFA-3000-FLX)



Corrugated Channel - 25m bundle (FLX-CT-40MM)



Silicone Suction Cup for Small Locking Lip seal (FLX-SSC)



IVx3 Feedline Control Modules (8019 - 2 feedline control module) (8020 - 3 feedline control module)



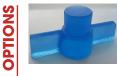
Universal Injection Adapter - 16mm (ASSY-0448)



Universal Insert for Silicone Bag Connector (FLX-SBC-UI)



Flex Cloth - 50m roll (FLX-CLOTH)



Universal Insert -Groove Seal Locator (6410)



IVx3 Service Module (8018)



Universal Blank Plug (6341)



Universal Insert with Clip (6316)



Stretchable Flex Cloth (FLX-CLOTH-A)



Grooved Band

(Small - 7711)

(Large 7712)



Groove Seal (7708)

LRTM Accessories:



PIPE CONNECTORS



Turbo Autosprue High Volume (ASSY-0437)

Adapter - 10mm

(6319)

PVS Universal

Insert Adaptor

(6317)



for Universal Insert

(6318)

Air Ejector with

Universal Insert

(0580-UNI)

Sensor (PPVS)





Universal Injection 10mm Vacuum Connection 6mm Injection Adaptor Universal Blank Plug (6341)



Universal Insert with Clip (6316)



CATCH POTS

0.50 mm Sheet Wax (0007-BOX) 1.0mm Sheet Wax (0008-BOX) 1.5mm Sheet Wax (0009-BOX) 2.0 mm Sheet Wax (0010-BOX 2.5 mm Sheet Wax (0011-BOX 3.0 mm Sheet Wax (0012-BOX)

Dynamic Seal

Installation Kit

(2056)







Latch Clamp (3370)

MOLD SEALS

SEAL PROFILES



Mold Vacuum Wing Seal - 25M (1680-UK)

Mold Vacuum Wing Seal - 25M

(5895)



"V" Section Seal - 25M - 25M (3202) (6439)





(1114)

OPTIONS



Seal Heavy Duty

- 25M (5857)



Dynamic Silicone

Seal Semi Solid

- 25M (5958)

Neoprene Seal:

Standard 25M (0979)



Silicon Seal (6013)



Vacuum Catchpot

- Metal Lid for use

with Universal

Insert (2146-UNI)



Catchpot Lid Spare Seal (5954)

Catchpot Lid Spare Seal for Sight (6462)

Catchpot Lid Spare Sight Glass

Catchpot Lid

- Inline

(5686-INLINE)

Catchpot Bowl

& Thread

Adaptor

(5686)

Vacuum Catchpot -

View Lid for use

with Universal Insert

(2146-VIEW-UNI)

(5921)

VACUUM



Female (3243)

Reusable Wina

Seal Channel

Profile - 25M

(3391)

Geka Connector 3/4" npt - Male (3244)

Reusable

Dynamic

Seal Channel

Profile - 25M

(3340)



Reusable

Mushroom

Seal Channel

Profile - 25M

(0002)

Brass Bulkhead Fitting 3/4" (3242)

Standard Reusable

Resin Flow Channel

Profile - 25M (6438)

for Universal Insert

(6319-6mm)

Geka Connection

(6315)



Geka Connector 3/4" Hose (3245)

Small Reusable

Resin Flow Channel

Profile - 25M (4530)







Experience Matters:

MVP has been a leader in closed molding technology for decades and has guided hundreds of manufacturers to improve their production with closed molding methods. Our technical support experts not only provide training and guidance, but they are leading new innovations in closed molding. Some of MVP's latest developments include:

- Silicone resin channel for plastic bag infusion
- Single injection port
- Split mold for LRTM and Flex Molding ideal for complex parts





About MVP:

Magnum Venus Products (MVP) is a global manufacturer of fluid movement and production solutions for industrial applications in composites and adhesives markets. MVP collaborates with its customers to offer tailored production solutions to meter, mix, dispense, and apply materials. For over 80 years, MVP has been a leading equipment provider for the marine, infrastructure, pool, bath, oil & gas, transportation, aerospace, and wind industries.



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