

# Principles of Extrusion Blow Molding

# **About the Seminar:**

This two-day program focuses on two types of blow molding techniques: Continuous Extrusion Blow Molding and Reciprocating Screw Blow Molding. It is a comprehensive training course designed to cover machine operation, safety, basic maintenance and troubleshooting of blow molding operations. Topics include: safe operations, high density polyethylene, terminology, testing of the materials, process description, machine sequence, start up, proper adjustments, bottle quality and overall machine performance.

## **Who Should Attend:**

Anyone working with the extrusion blow molding process will benefit from this technical seminar. This includes Blow Mold engineers, operators, management, Sales and R&D.

# **Benefits of Attending**

- Learn the various characteristics of resin processing
- Understand blow molding techniques and machinery
- Review best practices for operator and machine safety
- > Troubleshoot and identify practical solutions

## **Concepts Covered**

- Material handling
- Machine hydraulics
- The electrical system
- Machine pneumatics
- Cooling systems
- Machine extruders
- Extrusion head and design
- Extrusion tooling
- Clamping areas
- ▶ Blow pins set-up
- Advantages and disadvantages of Ovalized or shaped tooling



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Course Syllabus

#### Introduction

High Density Polyethylene Production Important Polymer Properties

#### **Resin Processing Characteristics**

Heat and Pressure Effects
Plastic Swell and Flare Characteristics

#### **Blow Molding Overview**

Types of Machinery Blow Molding Techniques

#### **Blow Molding Machine**

Drive System

**Control Panel** 

**Machine Limit Switches** 

Hydraulics

Clamp

Pneumatic System

Blowpins and Prefinish Systems

**Manifold Chokes** 

Head Tooling, Oval Dies

Molds

Stripper

Swing Arm and Cooling Bed

Trimmer

Regrind System

#### **Material Conveying Systems**

Silo

Preblend Systems Hopper Loaders

#### Safety

Operator Safety
Machine Safety Switches and Alarms

#### **Processing**

Start Up and Shut Down Techniques Common Bottle Problems and Solutions Troubleshooting Methods Contamination Investigation

#### **Machine Side Training**

Location of all Components

Start Up and Shut Down Procedures

Routine Adjustments

**Bottle Weights** 

Parison Lengths

Preblow

Cycle Time

Safety