PREP³ - the Ultimate Resin Evacuation Method

AEGIS' PREP³ Technology is a long practiced resin evacuation method. Previous methods were known in the gas injection molding community as overspills, overflows, spillovers, Backspill™, resin expulsion and a variety of other generic names. A few of the methods of evacuating resin were patented, but nearly all were ineffective, unreliable, or very problematic for achieving consistent results. PREP³ is a resin evacuation method that is simple to implement, has a wider manufacturing window than any resin evacuation method, and has no patent restrictions, real or imagined.

The first implementation of PREP³: The first implementation of the PREP³ resin evacuation process was in July 2000 for a gas molded handle for the appliance industry. The requirements were for a black, high gloss surface range handle molded in 50% glass reinforced polyester. A cross section of the cut production handle is shown to the left. This was a particularly challenging application and required an oil heated mold; the process was successful for achieving the Class A surface and desired remaining wall thickness. Method: Gas assisted injection molding, PREP³, single gas injection point, single PREP³ evacuation point.

PREP³ is the ideal process for large cross section tubular products that exhibit flow lines when using a short-shot gas injection process, when a large flow channel must extend to the end-of-fill, or when the normal low-pressure short-shot gas assist process prevents achieving a Class A surface appearance. PREP³ has been implemented in automotive, appliance and recreational vehicle components in reinforced resins with talc, calcium carbonate and glass reinforcement as high as 50%.

PREP³ does not require a "patent license" from anyone. PREP³ does require specific, proper implementation, with the gas injection point, evacuation provision in the mold and resin-gas-evacuation timing sequence to be correctly implemented. PREP³ is suitable for multiple cavity molds, with cavity isolation as has been taught by AEGIS to gas molders for years. With our consultation, design support and training, PREP³ provides the most efficient, repeatable gas assist resin evacuation methodology in the industry.

Achieve Class A Surfaces in Large Cross Sections and with Reinforced Resins
Every Cycle with PREP³ Gas Assisted Injection Molding

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Gas Injectors, Resin Shutoff Valves, Gas Molding Accessories
Turnkey Gas Assist Processing Systems
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