How To Use Plastisol For Dip Molding Applications

Dip molding has grown into a high-tech manufacturing process that competes head-to-head with other plastic and rubber molding processes. In its basic form, dip molding involves the following:



- the heating of a metal mold
- immersing or dipping the heated mold into the liquid plastisol
- extracting the mold from the liquid and curing it using heat
- cooling the dipped parts and stripping them from the molds

More Specifically

- 1. Heating of a metal mold:
 - Begin with an oven temperature of 380 to 400 degrees F
 - Preheat the metal until it reaches a temperature of 340 to 350 degrees F
- 2. Dipping the heated metal mold:
 - Dip the heated metal into the plastisol for 20 to 30 seconds
 - The heat causes the plastisol to build or gel onto the mold
- 3. Return the plastisol coated metal mold to the oven for four to five minutes for curing
- 4. Allow mold and parts to cool before stripping

Note: All times and temperatures can be varied to get the desired results, e.g., for thicker walls, raise the temperature when heating the metal and/or leave the mold in the liquid plastisol longer.



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