

# **System Selection Guide**

Your Complete Hot Runner Configuration Guide

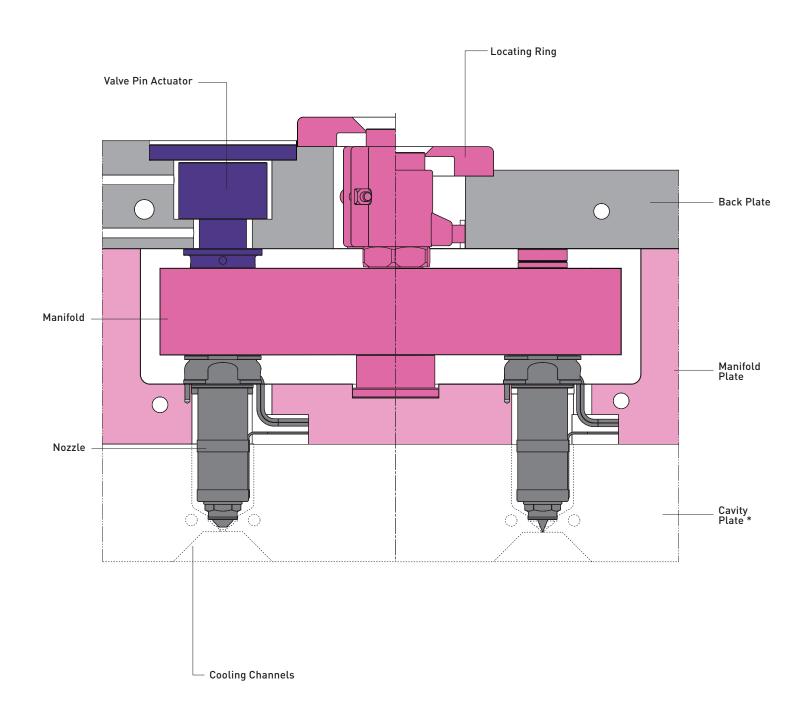
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## **Standard Hot Runner Configuration**

| KEY                 | KEY            |
|---------------------|----------------|
| Valve Gate Assembly | Back Plate     |
| Manifold Assembly   | Manifold Plate |
| Nozzle Assembly     | Cavity Plate*  |

\*Supplied by Customer



## Hot Runner System Overview

A Hot Runner System maintains a molten flow of plastic from the moulding machine nozzle to the gate of a plastic injection mould.

## Mastip Hot Runner System Benefits

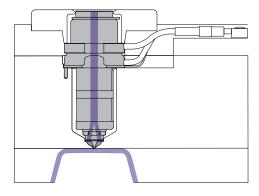
- Efficient cycle times
- Improves part consistency and quality
- · Minimised gate vestige
- Reduced injection pressure
- Valve gates allow for sequential filling and allow family part moulds
- Eliminates the cold runner that would be scrap or require re-grind
- Increased process control for fine tuning of mould and part

## Hot Runner System Critical Areas of Performance

#### Manifold design considerations:

- Precise temperature control of the molten plastic
- Balanced flow to all cavities for even part filling
- Nozzle sizing for maintaining sufficient molten material flow
- Gate detail required to correctly fill the part and shut the gate
- No material traps or areas of flow hesitation to ensure quick colour change and prevent material degradation
- Minimum pressure drop across the Hot Runner System
- Reasonable melt residence time
- Maximum cooling of gate areas to ensure effective shut off to gates

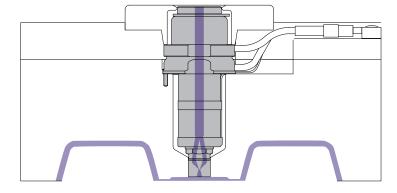
## Fully Hot Versus Semi Hot Configuration



Single Nozzle Gating Directly onto Part

#### Fully Hot advantages:

- No material wastage
- Low cycle times
- Low part stress



Single Nozzle Gating into a Cold Runner

#### Semi Hot advantages:

- Reduces cold runner weight
- Reduces cost of mould
- Suitable for difficult gate locations

# Nozzle Range & Series Options

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| Nozzle Range and Series Options | Key | Suitability                  |  |
|---------------------------------|-----|------------------------------|--|
|                                 | ✓   | Available / Suitable         |  |
|                                 | •   | Application dependant        |  |
|                                 | ×   | Not available / Not suitable |  |

|        | _            |   |    |          |          |          |    | Valve    | Front    | Single   |
|--------|--------------|---|----|----------|----------|----------|----|----------|----------|----------|
| Nozzle | Nozzle Range |   |    |          | zle Se   | 19       | 27 | Gate     | Loading  | Nozzle   |
| MJ     |              | Front loading heater for Hot Half use<br>Confined gate area<br>Close cavity pitching                    | 09 | 13<br>×  | ×        | ×        | ×  | ×        | <b>V</b> | ×        |
| MX     |              | Front loading heater for Hot Half use<br>Close cavity pitching  | ×  | <b>✓</b> | <b>✓</b> | <b>✓</b> | ×  | <b>✓</b> | <b>√</b> | ×        |
| BX     |              | Cost effective solution Special length nozzles available Robust heater design Limited single nozzle use | ×  | <b>✓</b> | ✓        | <b>✓</b> | ✓  | <b>✓</b> | ×        | <b>⊙</b> |
| SX     |              | Dedicated single nozzle solution Two heaters for optimum control  | ×  | <b>~</b> | ✓        | <b>✓</b> | ✓  | ×        | ×        | <b>✓</b> |

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## **Tip and Nut Options**

## Tip and Nut Options

- 1 Not available in X13
- Not available in X27
- Not available in SX series
- 4 Not available in H5

| Key  | Tip Suitability |
|------|-----------------|
| ✓    | Available       |
| **** | Highest rating  |
| ×    | Not Available   |

|              |                                  |          | Grades   |          | Nut Style |          |                |                 | Features     |               | Plastic (Refer to page 15) |        |           |
|--------------|----------------------------------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|----------|----------------|-----------------|--------------|---------------|----------------------------|--------|-----------|
|              | TIPS                             | G1       | G2       | G5       | ONT 4     | BN<br>BE | SN<br>SX /SL 4 | Gate<br>Quality | Flow<br>Rate | Flow<br>Marks | Easy                       | Medium | Difficult |
|              | TT<br>Multi Hole<br>Torpedo Tip  | ✓        | ✓        | ✓        |           |          |                | ***             | **           | **            | ***                        | ***    | ***       |
|              | TT+5<br>Extended<br>Torpedo Tip  | <b>√</b> | <b>√</b> | ×        | 2         | ×        | ×              | ***             | **           | **            | ***                        | **     | ×         |
| Ф            | TT+10<br>Extended<br>Torpedo Tip | <b>√</b> | <b>√</b> | ×        |           | ×        | ×              | ***             | *            | **            | ***                        | *      | ×         |
| Thermal Gate | IT<br>Single Hole<br>Torpedo Tip | ✓        | ✓        | ✓        |           |          |                | ***             | **           | ***           | ***                        | ***    | ***       |
| F            | IT+5<br>Extended<br>Torpedo Tip  | <b>√</b> | <b>√</b> | ×        |           | ×        | ×              | ***             | **           | ***           | ***                        | **     | ×         |
|              | IT+10<br>Extended<br>Torpedo Tip | <b>√</b> | <b>√</b> | ×        |           | ×        | ×              | ***             | *            | ***           | ***                        | *      | ×         |
|              | OT<br>Open Tip                   | ✓        | ×        | ✓        |           |          |                | **              | ***          | ***           | ***                        | ***    | *         |
| Gate         | TV<br>Torpedo Tip                | <b>√</b> | ×        | ×        | 1         | 1        | 1              | ***             | ***          | **            | ***                        | ***    | *         |
| Valve Gate   | OV<br>Open Tip                   | <b>√</b> | ×        | <b>√</b> |           | 1        | 1              | ***             | ***          | ***           | ***                        | ***    | *         |

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#### Selection Overview

The easiest way to select the correct hot runner system is to follow the eight steps below.

Fill in part and material details for later reference

| Part Specification                 | Value | Unit |
|------------------------------------|-------|------|
| Part Description                   |       |      |
| Part Weight                        |       | g    |
| Cold runner weight (if applicable) |       | g    |
| Overall size of part L x W x H     |       | mm   |
| Nominal Wall Thickness             |       | mm   |
| Minimum Wall Thickness             |       | mm   |

| Gate Requirements                           | value |
|---|-------|
| Cosmetic?                                   | Y/N   |
| Flat or recessed gate for label / printing? | Y/N   |
| Mould Specifications                        | Value |
| Number of Cavities?                         |       |
| Hot Half Construction?                      | Y/N   |

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| Material Specifications                                      | Value |
|--|-------|
| Material Type  |       |
| Filler or Glass Fibre %                                      |       |
| Manufacturer and grade OR<br>MFI - Value, Temperature & load |       |

#### TWO

Using the flow chart "Nozzle Range Selection" on page 9 select the required Nozzle Range.

| Nozzle Range | MX / BX / SX / MJ |
|--------------|-------------------|
|--------------|-------------------|

#### SIX

Using the flow chart "Nut Grade Selection" on page 16 and the associated table select the appropriate nut grade.

| Nut Grade H1 / H5 |
|-------------------|
|-------------------|

#### THREE

Using the flow chart "Nozzle Series Selection" on page 10 and the associated tables on page 11 select the appropriate nozzle series.

| Nozzle Series | 09 / 13 / 16 / 19 / 27 |
|---------------|------------------------|

#### SEVEN

Using the flow chart "Nut Type Selection" on page 17 and the associated tables on page 18 select the appropriate nut style.

|   | Thermal Gate |  |  |  |  |  |
|---|--------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| Nut Style ONT/BN/BE/SN/SX/SL/RN/RSN/YCN |              |  |  |  |  |  |
|   | Valve Gate   |  |  |  |  |  |
| Nut Style ONT/VBE/VSN                   |              |  |  |  |  |  |

#### **FOUR**

Using the flow chart "Tip Grade Selection" on page 12 and the associated table select the appropriate tip grade.

| Tip Grade | G1 / G2 / G5 |
|-----------|--------------|
|-----------|--------------|

#### **EIGHT**

Using the flow chart "Gate Geometry Selection" on page 22 select the appropriate gate geometry

| select the appropriate gate geometry. |  |    |  |  |
|---------------------------------------|--|----|--|--|
| Gate Diameter (mm)                    |  | mm |  |  |
| Gate Land (0.2mm max)                 |  | mm |  |  |

#### FIVE

Using the flow chart "Tip Style Selection" on page 13 and the associated table on page 14 select the appropriate tip style. For "Multi-Gate Selection" refer to page 23.

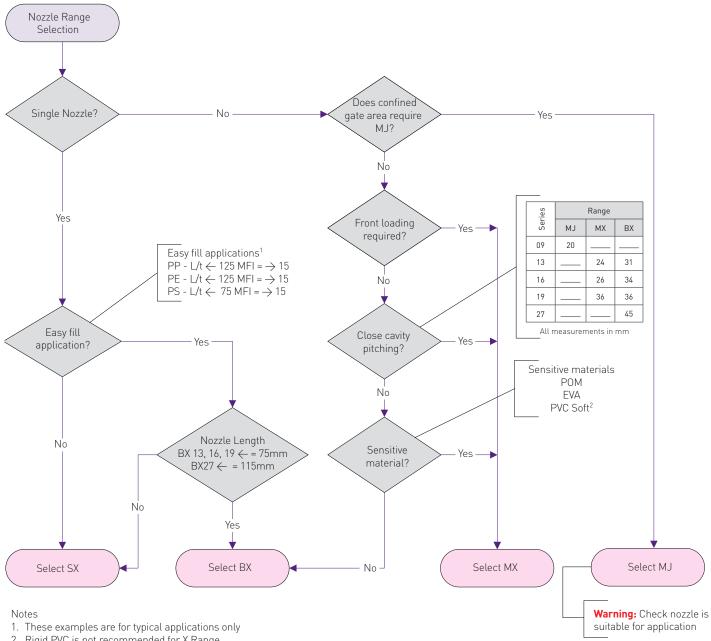
| Thermal Gate                  |                      |  |  |  |  |
|-------------------------------|----------------------|--|--|--|--|
| Tip Style                     | TT / IT / OT         |  |  |  |  |
| Tip Extension (if applicable) | +5 / +10             |  |  |  |  |
| Multi-Gate                    |                      |  |  |  |  |
| Tip Style                     | 2A/3A/4A/1S/2S/3S/4S |  |  |  |  |
| Valve Gate                    |                      |  |  |  |  |
| Tip Style                     | TV / OV              |  |  |  |  |

#### MINE

Based on the number of cavities and/or the injection points required per part specify your manifold by attaching a drawing showing the required positions or using the L & R references as per the manifold section of the Technical Guide.

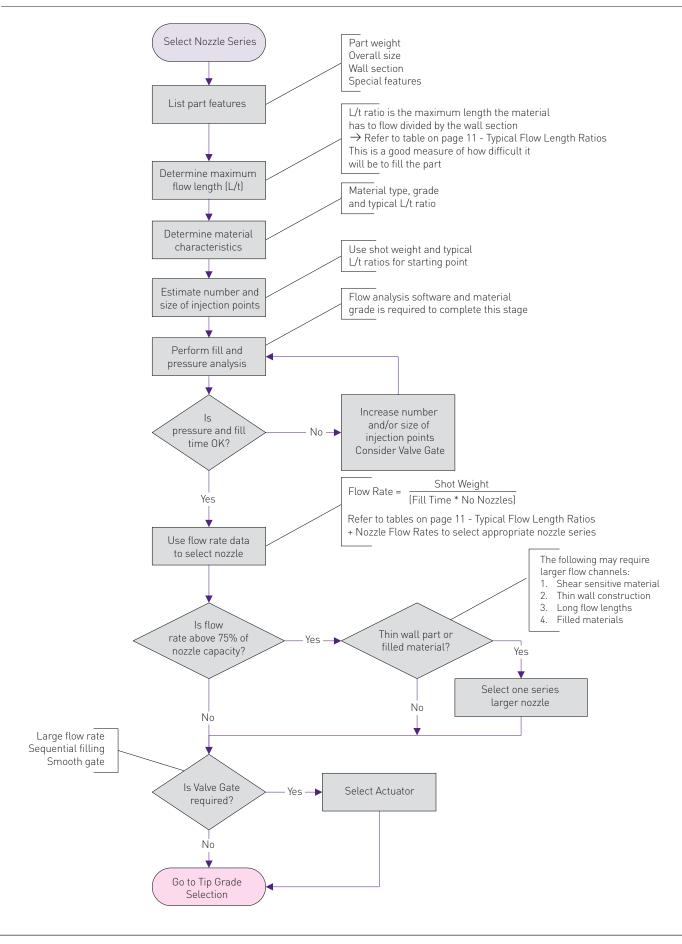
| Number of nozzles on manifold |  |
|-------------------------------|--|

## **Nozzle Range Selection**



2. Rigid PVC is not recommended for X Range

#### Nozzle Series Selection



## Typical Flow Length Ratios (L/t)

|          | Wall Section |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |  |  |
|----------|--------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|--|--|
| Material | 2.0          | 1.5 | 1.0 | 0.8 | 0.7 | 0.6 | 0.5 | 0.4 |  |  |
| ABS      | 170          | 96  | 43  | 27  | 21  | 15  | 11  | 7   |  |  |
| CA       | 150          | 84  | 38  | 24  | 18  | 14  | 9   | 6   |  |  |
| EVA      | 175          | 98  | 44  | 28  | 21  | 16  | 11  | 7   |  |  |
| SAN      | 120          | 68  | 30  | 19  | 15  | 11  | 8   | 5   |  |  |
| PA       | 150          | 84  | 38  | 24  | 18  | 14  | 9   | 6   |  |  |
| PC       | 100          | 56  | 25  | 16  | 12  | 9   | 6   | 4   |  |  |
| HDPE     | 225          | 127 | 56  | 36  | 28  | 20  | 14  | 9   |  |  |
| LDPE     | 275          | 155 | 69  | 44  | 34  | 25  | 17  | 11  |  |  |
| PMMA     | 130          | 73  | 33  | 21  | 16  | 12  | 8   | 5   |  |  |
| POM      | 150          | 84  | 38  | 24  | 18  | 14  | 9   | 6   |  |  |
| PP       | 250          | 141 | 63  | 40  | 31  | 23  | 16  | 10  |  |  |
| UPVC     | 100          | 56  | 25  | 16  | 12  | 9   | 6   | 4   |  |  |

All flow lengths greater than this must be considered thin wall and the nozzle series selected accordingly.

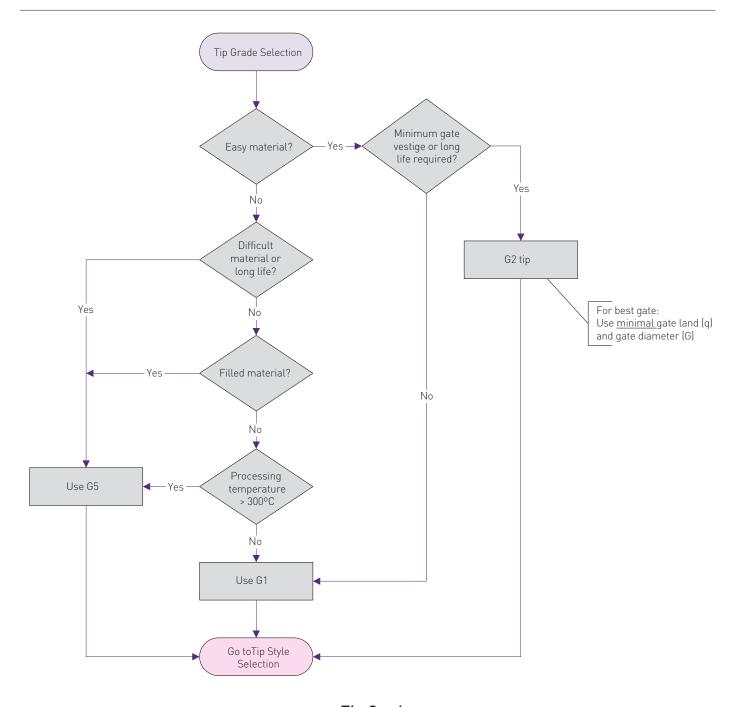
#### **Nozzle Flow Rates**

Use the table below to select the correct nozzle series based on the flow rate required and the material category. If the material is a blend material (for example Medium-Difficult or Easy-Medium) always select the higher category to ensure the part can be filled.

| Nozzle | Material Specif        | ications   | Material Category 2 |           |           |  |
|--------|------------------------|------------|---------------------|-----------|-----------|--|
| Series | Material Specii        | ications   | Easy                | Medium    | Difficult |  |
|        | Thermal Gate Flow Rate | g/s 1      | 15                  | 7         |           |  |
| 09     | Shot Weight            | g <b>1</b> | 0.5 - 15            | 0.5 - 10  |           |  |
|        | Thermal Gate Flow Rate | g/s 1      | 30                  | 15        | 5         |  |
| 13     | Valve Gate Flow Rate   | g/s 1      | 25                  | 12        |           |  |
|        | Shot Weight            | g 1        | 0.5 -45             | 0.5 - 30  | 0.5 - 15  |  |
|        | Thermal Gate Flow Rate | g/s 1      | 125                 | 65        | 25        |  |
| 16     | Valve Gate Flow Rate   | g/s 1      | 95                  | 50        | 20        |  |
|        | Shot Weight            | g <u>1</u> | 1 -200              | 1 - 125   | 1 - 60    |  |
|        | Thermal Gate Flow Rate | g/s 1      | 300                 | 150       | 60        |  |
| 19     | Valve Gate Flow Rate   | g/s 1      | 225                 | 110       | 45        |  |
|        | Shot Weight            | g 1        | 2 -625              | 2 - 300   | 2 - 150   |  |
|        | Thermal Gate Flow Rate | g/s 1      | 600                 | 300       | 125       |  |
| 27     | Valve Gate Flow Rate   | g/s 1      | 420                 | 210       | 90        |  |
|        | Shot Weight            | g 1        | 10 -2000            | 10 - 1200 | 10 - 800  |  |

- 1 Additives, flow length and thin wall sections all reduce the effective flow rate and shot weight. To counter the reduced flow rate and shot weight select one nozzle series larger.
- Refer to table on page 13 Plastic Material and Tip and Nut Suitability.

## Tip Grade Selection

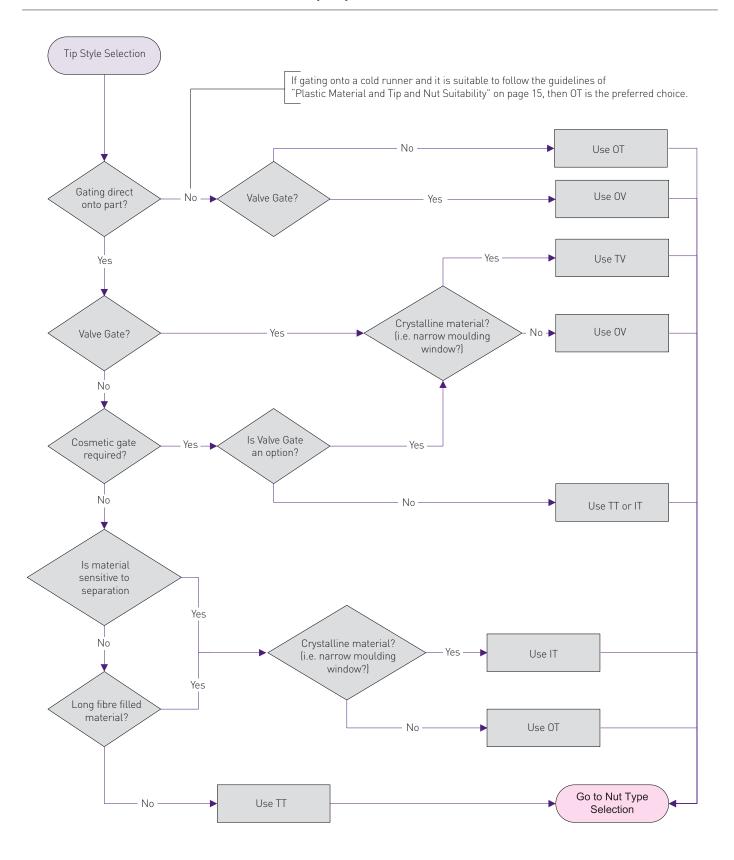


Tip Grades

Tips are manufactured in various grades designed for different applications and wear resistance.

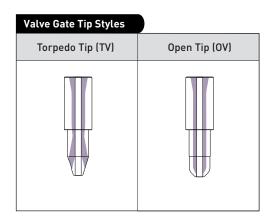
| Tip Grade | Recommended use                                    | Manufactured Material                                 | Tip Style Options  |
|-----------|--|---|--------------------|
| G1        | Default grade suitable for easy materials          | Beryllium Copper with Nickel coating                  | TT, IT, OT, TV, OV |
| G2        | Long life tip suitable for easy unfilled materials | Beryllium Copper tipped with Steel,<br>Nickel coating | тт,іт              |
|           | Long life tip suitable for difficult and abrasive  | Carbide   | TT, IT             |
| G5        | materials  | D2 Hard liner   | OT, OV             |

## Tip Style Selection



# Tip Styles

| Thermal Gate Tip Styles        |   |  |
|--------------------------------|---|--|
| Multi Hole                     | Extended                                    | Extended                                     |
| Torpedo Tip (TT)               | Torpedo Tip (TT+5)                          | Torpedo Tip (TT+10)                          |
|                                |   |  |
| Single Hole<br>Torpedo Tip(IT) | Extended Single Hole<br>Torpedo Tip (IT +5) | Extended Single Hole<br>Torpedo Tip (IT +10) |
|                                |   |  |
| Open Tip (OT)                  |   |  |
|                                |   |  |
| Multi-Gate<br>Axial Tip (A)    | Multi-Gate<br>Side Tip (S)                  |  |
|                                |   |  |



## **Plastic Material and Tip and Nut Suitability**

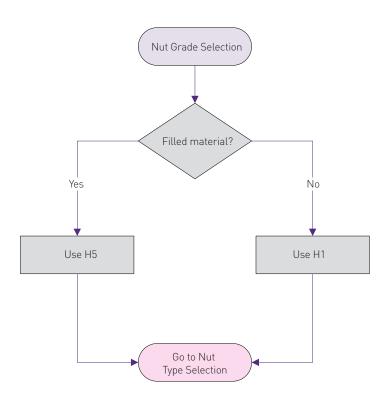
## Plastic Material and Tip and Nut Suitability

- Not available in G5
- 2 Only available in G2

| Key | Tip Suitability  |
|-----|--|
| ✓   | Suitable   |
| G5  | Very suitable with Grade 5 tips and H5 nuts only       |
| •   | Application dependant                                  |
| G5  | Application dependant and Grade 5 tip and H5 nuts only |
| ×   | Not suitable   |

| Material Nozzle Series and Tip |             |        |       |          |       |       |       |       |       |          |
|--------------------------------|-------------|--------|-------|----------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|----------|
| С                              | ategory     | 09     | 1     | 3        | 1     | 6     | 1     | 9     | 2     | 7        |
|                                |             | TT 1 2 | TT    | ОТ       | TT    | ОТ    | TT    | ОТ    | TT    | OT       |
|                                |             |        | IT    | OV       | IT    | ov    | IT    | OV    | IT    | OV       |
|                                |             |        |       |          | TV 1  |       | TV 1  |       | TV 1  |          |
|                                | PP          | ✓      | ✓     | ✓        | ✓     | ✓     | ✓     | ✓     | ✓     | ✓        |
| _                              | PE          | ✓      | ✓     | ✓        | ✓     | ✓     | ✓     | ✓     | ✓     | ✓        |
| Easy                           | PS          | ✓      | ✓     | ✓        | ✓     | ✓     | ✓     | ✓     | ✓     | ✓        |
|                                | SB          | ✓      | ✓     | ✓        | ✓     | ✓     | ✓     | ✓     | ✓     | ✓        |
|                                | EVA         | ✓      | ✓     | ✓        | ✓     | ✓     | ✓     | ✓     | ✓     | ✓        |
|                                | ABS         | •      | ✓     | ✓        | ✓     | ✓     | ✓     | ✓     | ✓     | ✓        |
|                                | AS          | •      | ✓     | ✓        | ✓     | ✓     | ✓     | ✓     | ✓     | ✓        |
| _                              | POM         | •      | ✓     | ✓        | ✓     | ✓     | ✓     | ✓     | ✓     | ✓        |
| Medium                         | SAN         | •      | ✓     | ✓        | ✓     | ✓     | ✓     | ✓     | ✓     | ✓        |
| Med                            | PA6         | •      | ✓     | •        | ✓     | •     | ✓     | •     | ✓     | •        |
|                                | PMMA        | •      | ✓     | •        | ✓     | ✓     | ✓     | ✓     | ✓     | ✓        |
|                                | ASA         | •      | ✓     | •        | ✓     | ✓     | ✓     | ✓     | ✓     | ✓        |
|                                | TPE         | •      | ✓     | •        | ✓     | ✓     | ✓     | ✓     | ✓     | ✓        |
|                                | PA66        | •      | ✓     | •        | ✓     | •     | ✓     | •     | ✓     | <b>⊙</b> |
|                                | PBT         | ×      | ✓     | •        | ✓     | •     | ✓     | •     | ✓     | <b>⊙</b> |
|                                | PC          | ×      | ✓     | <b>⊙</b> | ✓     | •     | ✓     | •     | ✓     | •        |
|                                | PPS         | ×      | ✓     | <b>⊙</b> | ✓     | •     | ✓     | •     | ✓     | •        |
|                                | PPE         | ×      | ✓     | <b>⊙</b> | ✓     | •     | ✓     | •     | ✓     | •        |
|                                | PPU         | ×      | ✓     | •        | ✓     | •     | ✓     | •     | ✓     | •        |
|                                | PET         | ×      | ✓     | <b>⊙</b> | ✓     | •     | ✓     | •     | ✓     | •        |
|                                | PES         | ×      | ✓     | <b>⊙</b> | ✓     | •     | ✓     | •     | ✓     | •        |
|                                | PP0         | ×      | ✓     | •        | ✓     | •     | ✓     | •     | ✓     | •        |
| ult                            | LCP         | ×      | ✓     | <b>⊙</b> | ✓     | •     | ✓     | •     | ✓     | •        |
| Difficult                      | PEI         | ×      | ✓     | <b>⊙</b> | ✓     | •     | ✓     | •     | ✓     | •        |
| ο                              | PP + FILL   | ×      | G5/H5 | G5/H5    | G5/H5 | G5/H5 | G5/H5 | G5/H5 | G5/H5 | G5/H5    |
|                                | PA + FILL   | ×      | G5/H5 | G5/H5    | G5/H5 | G5/H5 | G5/H5 | G5/H5 | G5/H5 | G5/H5    |
|                                | SAN + FILL  | ×      | G5/H5 | G5/H5    | G5/H5 | G5/H5 | G5/H5 | G5/H5 | G5/H5 | G5/H5    |
|                                | PA66 + FILL | ×      | G5/H5 | G5/H5    | G5/H5 | G5/H5 | G5/H5 | G5/H5 | G5/H5 | G5/H5    |
|                                | PBT + FILL  | ×      | G5/H5 | •        | G5/H5 | •     | G5/H5 | •     | G5/H5 | •        |
|                                | PC + FILL   | ×      | G5/H5 | •        | G5/H5 | •     | G5/H5 | •     | G5/H5 | •        |
|                                | PPS + FILL  | ×      | G5/H5 | •        | G5/H5 | •     | G5/H5 | •     | G5/H5 | •        |
|                                | PPE + FILL  | ×      | G5/H5 | •        | G5/H5 | •     | G5/H5 | •     | G5/H5 | •        |
|                                | PPU + FILL  | ×      | G5/H5 | •        | G5/H5 | •     | G5/H5 | •     | G5/H5 | •        |
|                                | PET + FILL  | ×      | G5/H5 | •        | G5/H5 | •     | G5/H5 | •     | G5/H5 | •        |

## **Nut Grade Selection**

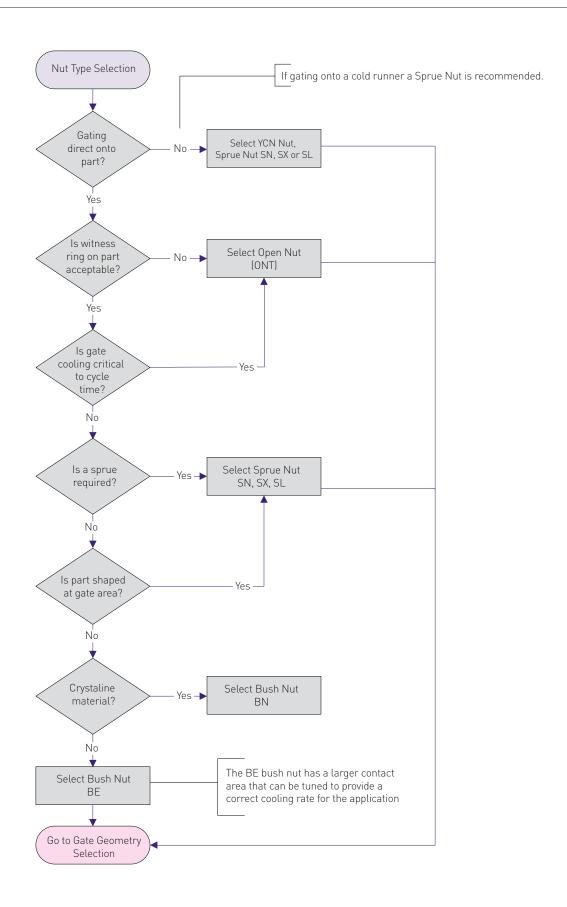


## **Nut Grades**

Nuts are manufactured in various grades designed for different applications and wear resistance.

| Nut Grade | Recommended use   | Manufactured Material                | Nut Style Options                    |
|-----------|---|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| H1        | Default grade suitable for unfilled or lightly filled materials | Medium hardness<br>Tool steel        | ONT, BN, BE, SN,<br>SL, SX, VBE, VSN |
| H5        | Long life nut suitable for filled or unfilled materials         | High hardness<br>Vanadium tool steel | BN, SN, VBE                          |

## **Nut Type Selection**



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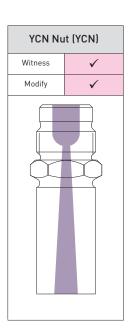
# **Nut Options**

| Thermal Ga                    | ite Nut Types |          |             |          |             |
|-------------------------------|---------------|----------|-------------|----------|-------------|
| Bush Nut<br>Full Contact (BE) |               | Bush N   | lut (BN)    | Dome I   | Nut (BD)    |
| Witness                       | ✓             | Witness  | ✓           | Witness  | ✓           |
| Modify                        | ✓             | Modify   | ×           | Modify   | ✓           |
|                               |               |          |             |          | ¥           |
| Sprue Nut +5 (SN)             |               | Snrue Nu | t + 20 (SX) | Snrue Nu | t + 35 (SL) |

| Key     | Value  |
|---------|--|
| ✓       | Yes  |
| ×       | No   |
| Witness | Nut will leave a circular witness mark on part |
| Modify  | Nut must be modified to suit application       |

For a Dome Nut supply R1 and K dimensions

|          |            |          |             | ***      |                     | at time of order. |                        |  |
|----------|------------|----------|-------------|----------|---------------------|-------------------|------------------------|--|
| Sprue No | ut +5 (SN) | Sprue Nu | t + 20 (SX) | Sprue Nu | Sprue Nut + 35 (SL) |                   | Retro Sprue Nut (SN-R) |  |
| Witness  | ✓          | Witness  | ✓           | Witness  | ✓                   | Witness           | ✓                      |  |
| Modify   | ✓          | Modify   | ✓           | Modify   | ✓                   | Modify            | ✓                      |  |
|          |            |          |             |          |                     |                   |                        |  |

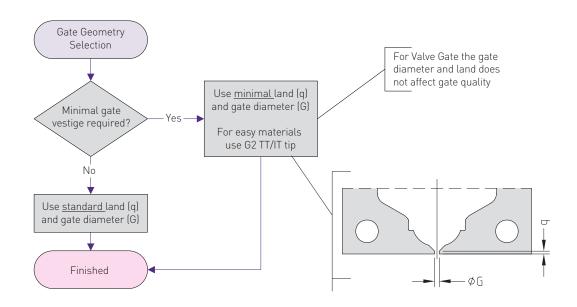


| Valve Gate | Nut Types            |            |             |
|------------|----------------------|------------|-------------|
|            | ush Nut<br>act (VBE) | Valve Spru | e Nut (VSN) |
| Witness    | Witness ✓            |            | ✓           |
| Modify     | Modify 🗸             |            | ✓           |
|            |                      |            |             |

| Thermal Gate and Valve Gate Nut Types |           |          |           |  |  |
|---------------------------------------|-----------|----------|-----------|--|--|
| Open N                                | ut (ONT)  | Retro Nu | t (ONT-R) |  |  |
| Witness                               | Witness X |          | ×         |  |  |
| Modify                                | ×         | Modify   | ✓         |  |  |
|                                       |           |          |           |  |  |

|                       | Series | Standard Nut Ød4 | Retro Nut Ød4 |
|-----------------------|--------|------------------|---------------|
|                       | 13     | 10               | 13.1          |
|                       | 16     | 12               | 16.1          |
|                       | 19     | 15               | 19.1          |
| <b>→</b> Ød4 <b>→</b> | 27     | 23               | 27.1          |

## **Gate Geometry Selection**



## Thermal Gate Land Length (q)

| Gate land<br>('q') Size | Cosmetic Gate   | Gate Life | Other Factors  |  |  |
|-------------------------|-----------------|-----------|--|--|--|
| >0.20mm                 | Not Recommended |           | Increased injection pressure, premature gate freeze off            |  |  |
| 0.20mm                  | *               | ****      | Recommended for materials with high % filler                       |  |  |
| 0.15mm                  | **              | ***       | Recommended for materials with medium % filler                     |  |  |
| 0.10mm                  | ***             | **        | Good balance between gate cosmetics and life                       |  |  |
| 0.05mm                  | ***             | *         | Strong cavity steel required. Cooled inserts required near to gate |  |  |
| <0.05mm                 | Not Recommended |           | Sharp edge breaks on first few shots, poor wear resistance         |  |  |
|                         |                 |           | Limited cooling at gate can result in stringing                    |  |  |

## Recommended Thermal Gate Diameter (ØG)

| Matarial | Tin Crada | Nozzle Series |           |           |           |           |  |
|----------|-----------|---------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|--|
| Material | Tip Grade | 09            | 13        | 16        | 19        | 27        |  |
|          | G1/H1     | -             | 0.8 - 1.3 | 0.9 - 1.4 | 1.1 - 1.6 | 1.8 - 2.5 |  |
| Unfilled | G2/H1     | 0.7 - 0.8     | 0.7 – 1.3 | 0.8 - 1.4 | 1.0 - 1.6 | 1.6 - 2.5 |  |
|          | G5/H1     | -             | 0.9 – 1.3 | 1.0 - 1.4 | 1.2 - 1.6 | 2.0 - 2.5 |  |
| F:11 - 4 | G5/H1     | -             | 1.0 – 1.4 | 1.2 – 1.5 | 1.5 - 1.8 | 2.4 - 2.8 |  |
| Filled   | G5/H5     | -             | 1.4 –1.6  | 1.5 – 1.7 | 1.7 – 2.0 | 2.6 – 2.8 |  |

It is always recommended to start with a small gate and adjust as required.

## YCN Open Tipless Nut

YCN Nut is designed for X-range nozzles, providing open flow moulding. An ideal moulding solution for indirect-feed via a cold runner. Ideal for Thermal Gate applications.

#### **YCN Nut**

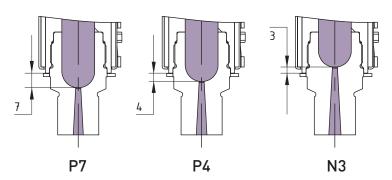
#### **Features**

- Internal nut profiles to suit different materials and temperature requirements
- No high-conductivity tip insert required
- · Tipless nut provides open flow moulding
- Minimises melt shear
- Lowers the overall pressure drop through the gate
- · Provides a broad repeatable moulding window

#### **Applications**

- Moulding applications that suit open flow injection
- Cosmetic gate is not required on moulded part
- Ideal for indirect-feed via a cold runner
- Moulding applications where a moulded sprue is acceptable
- Thermal Gate applications

#### **Gating Options**



| P7 | Easy material/<br>Low temperature       | Gate is located 7mm forward of the heat source | E.g. PP, PE, ABS,<br>ASA, SAN      |  |
|----|---|--|------------------------------------|--|
| P4 | Mid-Range                               | Gate is located 4mm forward of the heat source | E.g. PC, POM, PMMA                 |  |
| N3 | Difficult material/<br>High temperature | Gate is located 3mm behind the heat source     | E.g. PA, PBT, PET, PPS<br>PEI, PPO |  |

#### YCN Nut Extension

YCN Nuts are stocked with a standard extension length

| X13  |      |      | X27  |
|------|------|------|------|
| 20mm | 20mm | 20mm | 35mm |

#### **Gate Diameter**

X-Range YCN Nuts are stocked with standard gate diameters according to the nozzle series, nut style and filled or unfilled material.

| Unfilled | X Range – YCN Nut Style P7 P4 N3 |      |      |  |  |
|----------|----------------------------------|------|------|--|--|
| Series   |                                  |      |      |  |  |
| 13       | Ø1.2                             | Ø1.3 | Ø1.3 |  |  |
| 16       | Ø1.4                             | Ø1.5 | Ø1.5 |  |  |
| 19       | Ø1.8                             | Ø2.0 | Ø2.0 |  |  |
| 27       | Ø2.2                             | Ø2.5 | Ø2.5 |  |  |

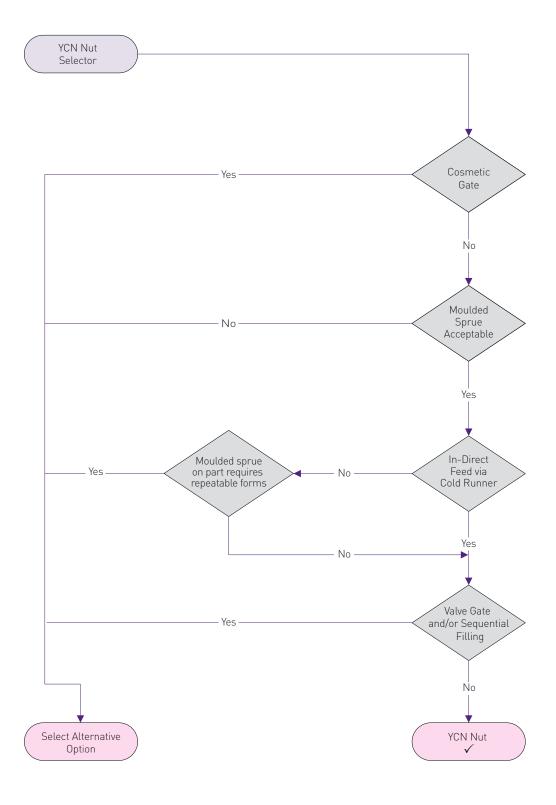
| Filled | X Range – YCN Nut Style |      |      |  |  |
|--------|-------------------------|------|------|--|--|
| Series | P7                      | P4   | N3   |  |  |
| 13     | Ø1.6                    | Ø1.8 | Ø1.8 |  |  |
| 16     | Ø1.8                    | Ø2.0 | Ø2.0 |  |  |
| 19     | Ø2.2                    | Ø2.5 | Ø2.5 |  |  |
| 27     | Ø2.7                    | Ø3.0 | Ø3.0 |  |  |

Custom gate and taper available on request.

#### Sprue

Standard sprue taper is 6°

## **YCN Nut Selection**



#### Multi-Gates

Mastip's Multi-Gate solutions are engineered specifically for challenging applications requiring close pitch gates in restricted areas where conventional gating methods aren't possible.

#### **Multi-Gates**

#### **Features**

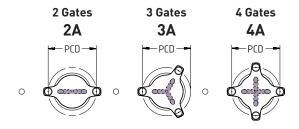
- Axial multi-gates allow close cavity pitching with a pitch circle diameter (PCD) from 10.00 to 22.00 with the ability to offer 2 to 4 gates per tip
- Side multi-gate allowing close cavity pitching with a gate well diameter from 21.30mm to 26.80mm with the ability to offer 1 to 4 gates per tip
- Highly conductive tip allowing for precise thermal control
- Tip flow channels designed to optimise and balance the thermal profile
- The M-Range nozzles are designed specifically for multi-gate solutions incorporating BX/SX proven technology

#### **Applications**

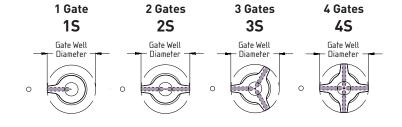
- Multiple part direct injection gating with one nozzle either in an Axial or Side gate tip style
- Side multi-gates allow internal side gating on single complex round parts that need a highly balanced fill
- Axial multi-gates allow for direct gating on single complex round parts that need a highly balanced fill
- Only polymers that are easy to process such as polyolefins with long residence times to be processed through the multi-gates

#### **Gate Styles**

#### **Axial Gate**



#### Side Gate



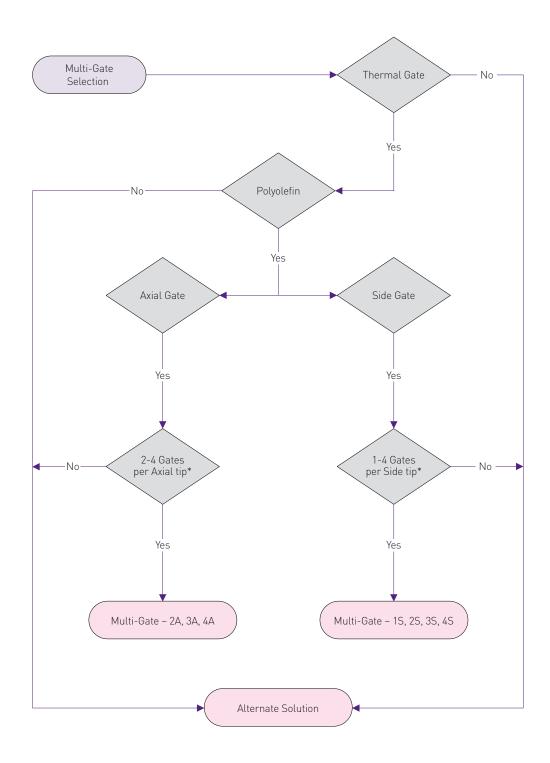
## BM / SM Standard Lengths

| Nozzle | Series | L (Nozzle) |    |     |     |     |     |     |  |  |
|--------|--------|------------|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|--|--|
| ВМ     | 27     | 75         | 95 | 115 | 145 | 175 | 225 | 275 |  |  |
| SM     | 27     | 75         | 95 | 115 | 145 | 175 | 225 | 275 |  |  |

#### Multi-Gate Flow Rates

| Nozzle Series | Material Sp       | pecifications | Material (Polyolefin)                      |
|---------------|-------------------|---------------|--|
|               | Flow Rate         | g/s/gate      | 15   |
|               | Shot Weight       | g             | 0.5 - 15                                   |
| M27           | Gate Size – Axial | mm            | 0.7 - 1.0                                  |
|               | Gate Size – Side  | mm            | 0.5 - 1.0<br>(max 70% part well thickness) |

## Multi-Gates Selection



<sup>\*</sup> Number of gates required not included in flow chart, contact Mastip.

#### MX Nozzle Overview

MX nozzle, specifically designed for multi cavity manifold systems and hot halves.

#### **MX FEATURES**

#### Mould design

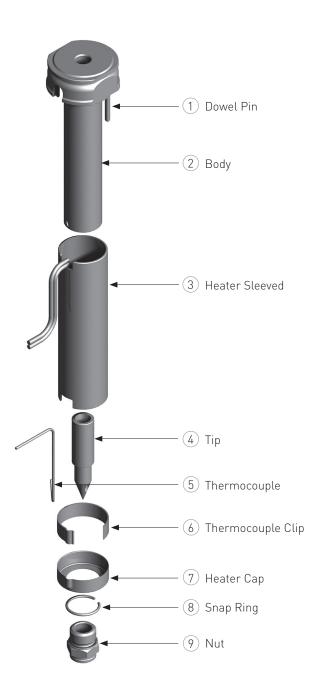
- Efficiently designed profile to allow closer cavity pitching
- Shares the same gate profiles as BX and SX
- Available in both thermal and valve gate options
- Consistent nozzle lengths across the range
- Ability to mould large parts with smaller nozzles due to optimum flow characteristics

#### Operation

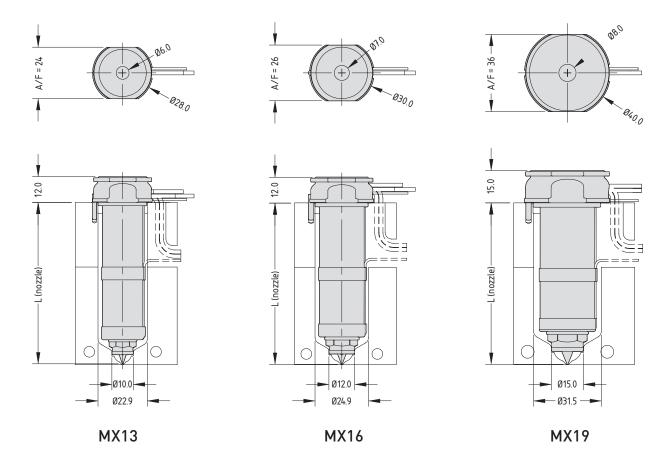
- Wide moulding window
- Excellent temperature profile and thermal stability
- Operates at low moulding pressure and temperature
- Optimum cycle times due to superior thermal insulation
- Uses an advanced micro coil heater with integrated heat deflection tube

#### Installation and maintenance

- Front loading capability for easier servicing of tips, heaters and thermocouples
- Simple machining and installation requirements
- Improved reliability due to the use of advanced materials
- Common tip and nut options provide ready availability of spare parts



## MX Nozzle Series



| MX Standard Lengths |    |             |    |    |    |     |     |     |     |
|---------------------|----|-------------|----|----|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Series              |    | L (nozzle)* |    |    |    |     |     |     |     |
| 13 Series           | 45 | 55          | 65 | 75 | 95 | 115 | 130 | 145 | 175 |
| 16 Series           | 45 | 55          | 65 | 75 | 95 | 115 | 130 | 145 | 175 |
| 19 Series           |    | 55          | 65 | 75 | 95 | 115 | 130 | 145 | 175 |

 $<sup>^{</sup>st}$  Custom lengths available on request, BX recommended

#### **BX Nozzle Overview**

BX nozzle is designed to provide cost sensitive solutions for low to medium cavitation applications, not requiring hot half construction.

#### **BX FEATURES**

#### Mould Design

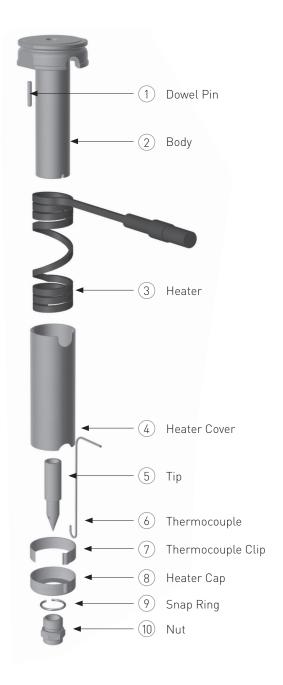
- Ability to easily order special length nozzles
- Shares the same gate profiles as MX and SX
- Available in both thermal and valve gate options
- Consistent nozzle lengths across the range
- Ability to mould large parts with smaller nozzles due to optimum flow characteristics

#### Operation

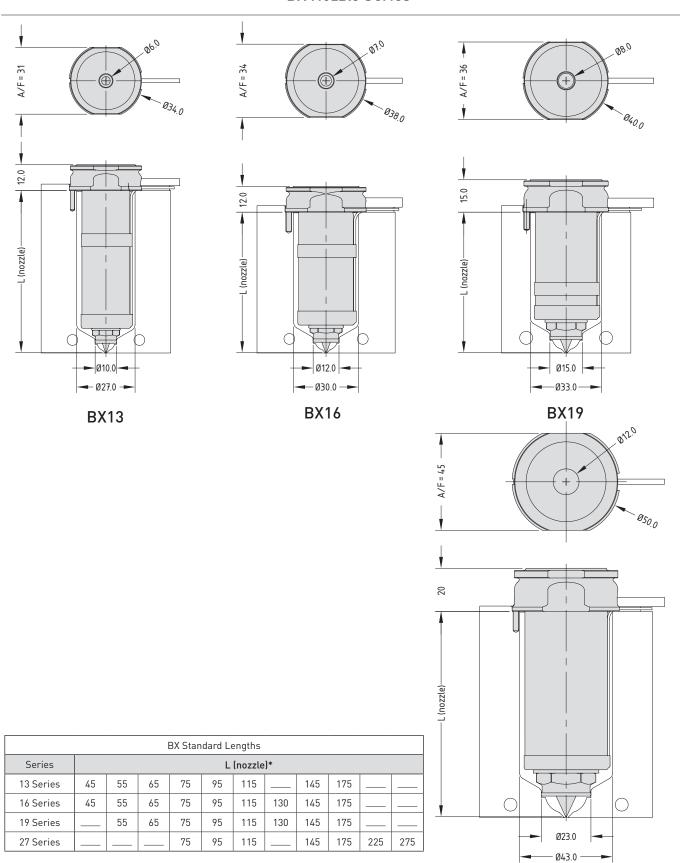
- Wide moulding window
- Excellent temperature profile and thermal stability
- Operates at low moulding pressure and temperature
- Optimum cycle times due to superior thermal insulation
- Uses an economical and robust coil heater

#### Installation and Maintenance

- Simple machining and installation requirements
- Improved reliability due to the use of advanced materials
- Common tip and nut options provide ready availability of spare parts



## **BX Nozzle Series**



<sup>\*</sup> Custom lengths available on request

**BX27** 

#### SX Nozzle Overview

With two heaters the SX nozzle is perfectly suited for all single nozzle applications.

#### **SX FEATURES**

#### Mould Design

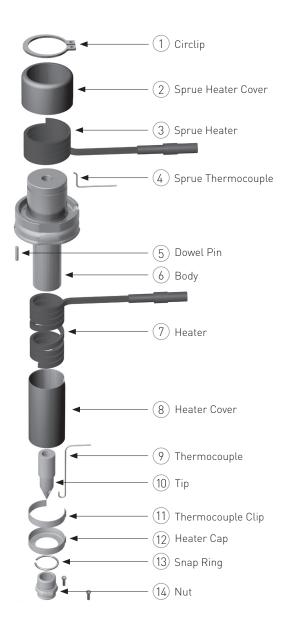
- Ability to easily order special length nozzles
- Shares the same gate profiles as MX and BX
- Consistent nozzle lengths across the range
- Ability to mould large parts with smaller nozzles due to optimum flow characteristics

#### Operation

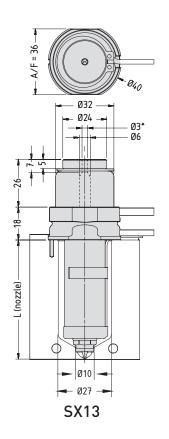
- Separate heater for the nozzle head for maximum temperature control
- Wide moulding window
- Excellent temperature profile and thermal stability
- Operates at low moulding pressure and temperature
- Optimum cycle times due to superior thermal insulation
- Uses economical and robust coil heaters

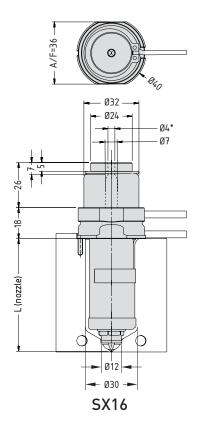
#### Installation and Maintenance

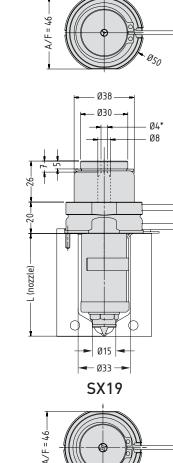
- Simple machining and installation requirements
- Improved reliability due to the use of advanced materials
- Common tip and nut options provide ready availability of spare parts



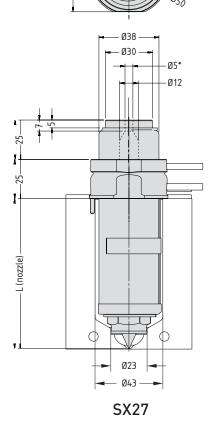
## SX Nozzle Series







| SX Standard Lengths |    |              |    |    |    |     |     |     |     |     |
|---------------------|----|--------------|----|----|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Series              |    | L (nozzle)** |    |    |    |     |     |     |     |     |
| 13 Series           | 45 | 55           | 65 | 75 | 95 | 115 | 145 | 175 |     |     |
| 16 Series           | 45 | 55           | 65 | 75 | 95 | 115 | 145 | 175 |     |     |
| 19 Series           |    | 55           | 65 | 75 | 95 | 115 | 145 | 175 |     |     |
| 27 Series           |    |              |    | 75 | 95 | 115 | 145 | 175 | 225 | 275 |



# System Selection Guide

# Gating Options - MX / BX / SX

| Standard Sealing Diameter |    |    |    |    |  |  |  |  |
|---------------------------|----|----|----|----|--|--|--|--|
| Series 13 16 19 2         |    |    |    |    |  |  |  |  |
| Ød4                       | 10 | 12 | 15 | 23 |  |  |  |  |

|  | 10  | NT   |      |     | ON | Γ+5 |      |      | ONT   | +10          |    |
|--|-----|------|------|-----|----|-----|------|------|-------|--------------|----|
| 13   | 16  | 19   | 27   | 13  | 16 | 19  | 27   | 13   | 16    | 19           | 27 |
| ✓  | ✓   | ✓    | ✓    | ✓   | ✓  | ✓   | ×    | ✓    | ✓     | ✓            | ✓  |
| SN +5  |     |      |      | 5.0 |    | Ød4 |      | 10.0 |       | 0d4 <b>-</b> |    |
|  | SN  | +5   |      |     | SX | +20 |      |      | SL    | +35          |    |
| 13   | 16  | 19   | 27   | 13  | 16 | 19  | 27   | 13   | 16    | 19           | 27 |
| ✓  | ✓   | ✓    | ✓    | ✓   | ✓  | ✓   | ×    | ✓    | ✓     | ✓            | ✓  |
| 5.0 — L (nozzle)   |     |      | 5000 |     |    |     | 35.0 |      | Ød4 - |              |    |
|  | BN, | / BE |      |     | VE | 3E  |      |      | VS    | SN .         |    |
| 13   | 16  | 19   | 27   | 13  | 16 | 19  | 27   | 13   | 16    | 19           | 27 |
| ✓  | ✓   | ✓    | ✓    | ×   | ✓  | ✓   | ✓    | ×    | ✓     | ✓            | ✓  |
| (a) Constant of the constant o |     |      |      |     |    | Ød4 |      | 5.0  |       | Ød4          |    |

# **Gating Options - YCN**

|                        | YCN | +20 |    |      | YCN | +35  |    |
|------------------------|-----|-----|----|------|-----|------|----|
| 13                     | 16  | 19  | 27 | 13   | 16  | 19   | 27 |
| ✓                      | ✓   | ✓   | ×  | ×    | ×   | ×    | ✓  |
| <b>→</b> 20.0 <b>→</b> |     | Ød4 |    | 35.0 |     | ond4 |    |

| Standard Sealing Diameter |    |    |    |    |  |  |  |  |
|---------------------------|----|----|----|----|--|--|--|--|
| Series 13 16 19 27        |    |    |    |    |  |  |  |  |
| Ød4                       | 10 | 12 | 15 | 23 |  |  |  |  |

## Gating Options - Multi Gates

|            | Axial | Gate* |    | Side Gate*                             |    |    |    |  |
|------------|-------|-------|----|--|----|----|----|--|
| 13         | 16    | 19    | 27 | 13                                     | 16 | 19 | 27 |  |
| ×          | ×     | ×     | ✓  | ×                                      | ×  | ×  | ✓  |  |
| L (nozzle) |       |       |    | —————————————————————————————————————— |    |    |    |  |

 $<sup>\</sup>ensuremath{^{*}}$  Pocket dimensions to be supplied by Mastip

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#### MJ Nozzle Overview

MJ nozzle, specifically designed for close cavity pitching

#### **MJ FEATURES**

#### Mould design

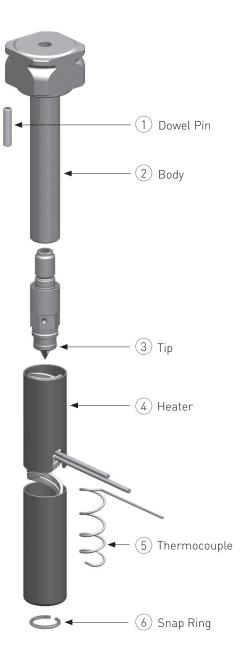
- Nozzle pocket profile for improved cooling performance and gate strength
- Optimal flow characteristics for ease of moulding
- Close cavity pitching

#### Operation

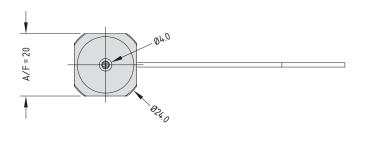
- Wide moulding window
- Excellent temperature profile and thermal stability
- Operates at low moulding pressure and temperature
- Short cycle times

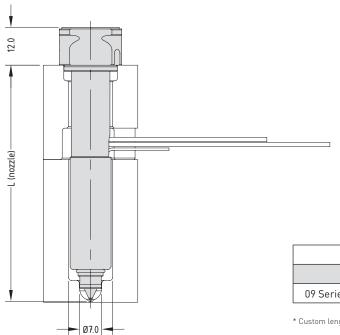
#### Installation and maintenance

- Simple installation
- Front loading for ease of servicing
- Improved reliability



## MJ Nozzle Series

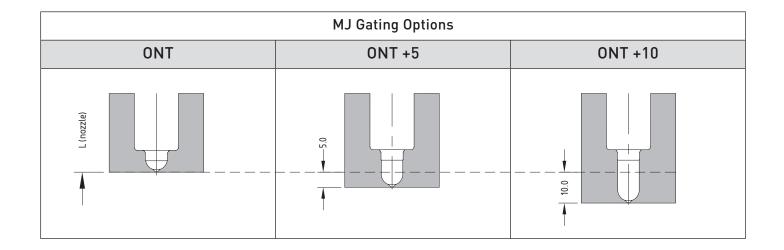




Ø14.0

| MJ Standard Lengths   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|---|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| L (nozzle)*   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 09 Series         75         95         115         130         145         175 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

<sup>\*</sup> Custom lengths available on request



## SVG Valve Gate System

# **SVG FEATURES**

#### Mould Design

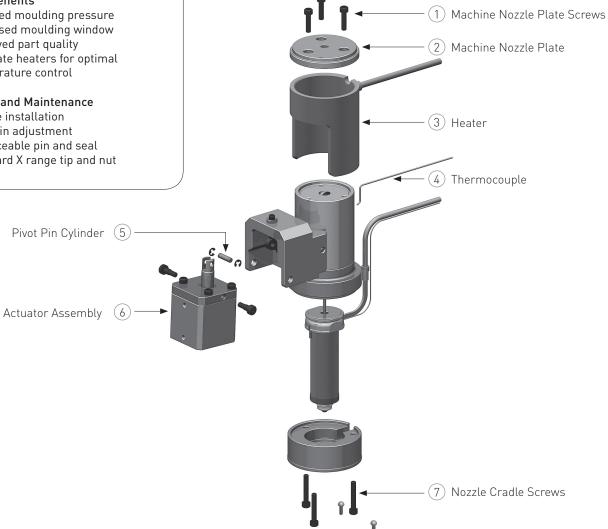
- Available to suit BX16, 19 & 27 series nozzles
- X range nozzle gate profiles
- Easy machining of pockets

#### **Moulding Benefits**

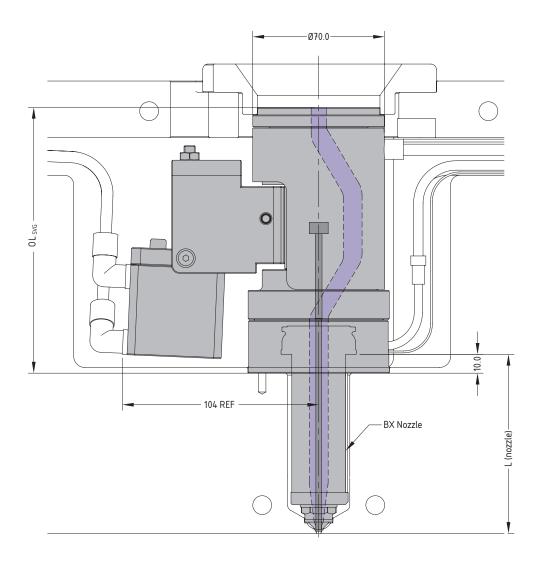
- Reduced moulding pressure
- Increased moulding window
- Improved part quality
- Separate heaters for optimal temperature control

#### Installation and Maintenance

- Simple installation
- Easy pin adjustment
- Replaceable pin and seal
- Standard X range tip and nut



# SVG Valve Gate System



| SVG Nozzle Compatibility                          |     |         |      |      |          |  |  |  |  |  |
|---|-----|---------|------|------|----------|--|--|--|--|--|
| Description OL SVG Tip Supplied Pin Size Nozzle L |     |         |      |      |          |  |  |  |  |  |
| SVG 33 - 2.5                                      | 138 | OV / TV | Ø2.5 | BX16 | 55 - 145 |  |  |  |  |  |
| SVG 33 - 3.0                                      | 141 | OV / TV | Ø3.0 | BX19 | 55 - 145 |  |  |  |  |  |
| SVG 33 - 5.0                                      | 146 | OV / TV | Ø5.0 | BX27 | 75 - 145 |  |  |  |  |  |

## MVG25 Headed Pin Valve Gate System

#### **MVG25 FEATURES**

#### Mould Design

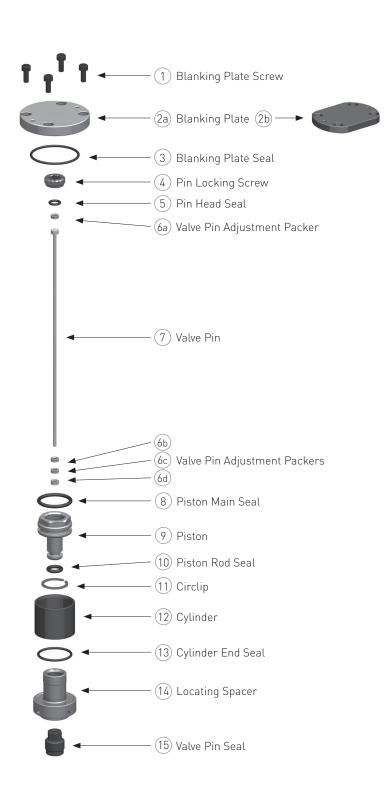
- Available to suit MX and BX Nozzles
- Standard minimal pitching is 55mm can be modified to fit 43mm
- Backplates 50mm minimum
- Conical or Cylindrical shut off
- · Easy machining of the pockets
- Pneumatic circuit integrated with the backplate

#### **Moulding Benefits**

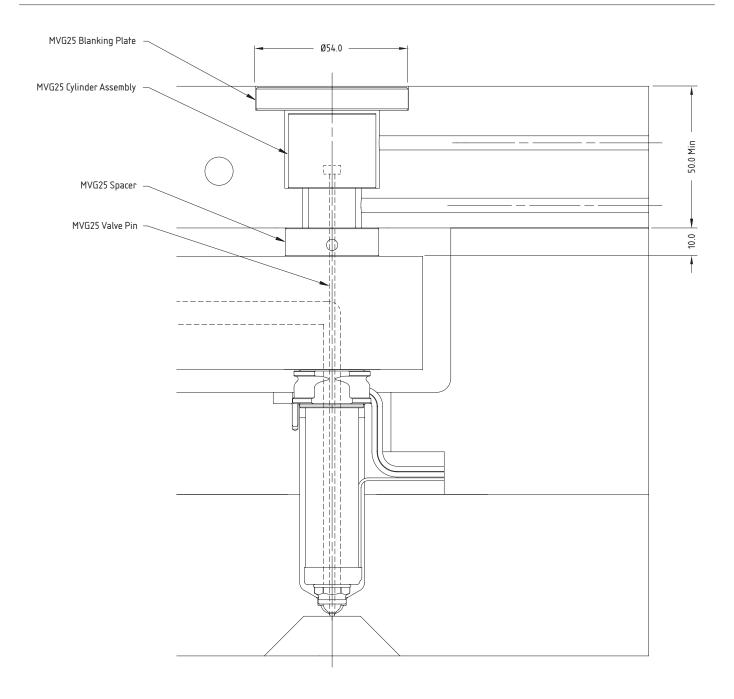
- Reduced moulding pressure
- Increased moulding window
- Lower mould filling stress results in better part quality
- Reduced gate cooling requirements

#### Installation and Maintenance

- · Easy machining and installation
- Easy seal replacement
- Valve pin height is adjustable
- Comes with Headed Pin design, with incremental adjustment



## MVG25 Headed Pin Valve Gate System



| MVG25 Nozzle Compatibility |             |         |               |                   |
|----------------------------|-------------|---------|---------------|-------------------|
| Description Nozzle         |             | Tip     | Nozzle Length | Supplied Pin Size |
| MVG25-P1 Headed Pin        | MX13 / BX13 | OV      | 45 – 175      | Ø2.0              |
| MVG25-P1 Headed Pin        | MX16 / BX16 | OV / TV | 45 - 175      | Ø2.5              |

## MVG40 Headed Pin Valve Gate System

#### **MVG40 FEATURES**

#### Mould Design

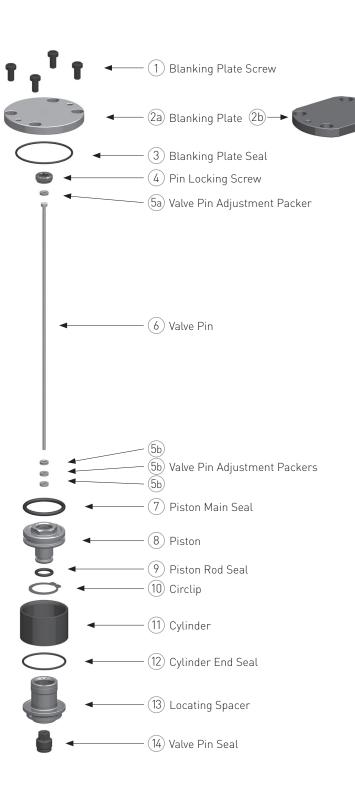
- Available to suit MX and BX Nozzles
- Standard minimal pitching is 75mm
  - can be modified to fit 58mm pitching
- Backplates 55mm minimum
- Conical or Cylindrical shut off
- Easy machining of the pockets
- Pneumatic circuit integrated with the backplate

#### **Moulding Benefits**

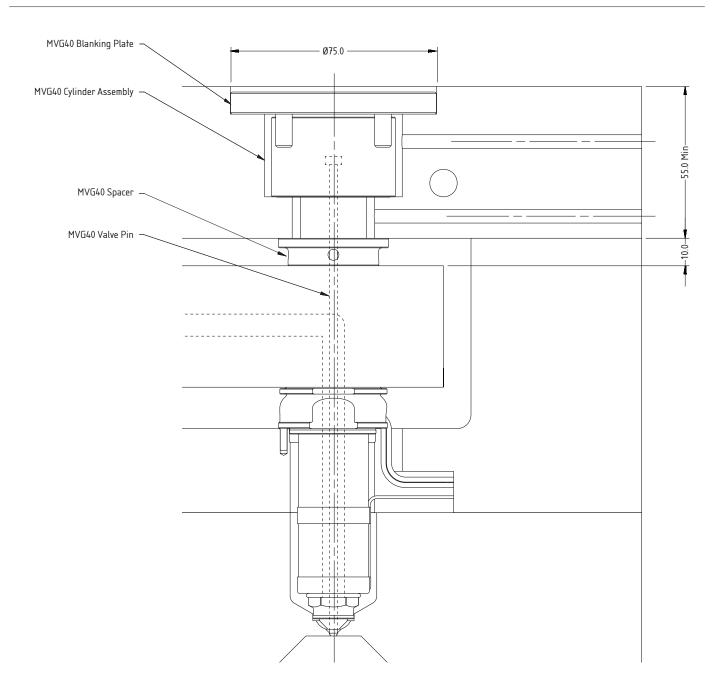
- Reduced moulding pressure
- Increased moulding window
- Lower mould filling stress results in better part quality
- Reduced gate cooling requirements

### Installation and Maintenance

- Easy machining and installation
- Easy seal replacement
- Valve pin height is adjustable
- Comes with Headed Pin design, with incremental adjustment



## MVG40 Headed Pin Valve Gate System



| MVG40 Nozzle Compatibility |             |         |               |                   |
|----------------------------|-------------|---------|---------------|-------------------|
| Description                | Nozzle      | Tip     | Nozzle Length | Supplied Pin Size |
| MVG40-P1 Headed Pin        | MX13 / BX13 | OV      | 45 - 145      | Ø2.0              |
| MVG40-P1 Headed Pin        | MX16 / BX16 | OV / TV | 45 - 145      | Ø2.5              |
| MVG40-P1 Headed Pin        | MX19 / BX19 | OV / TV | 55 - 175      | Ø3.0              |
| MVG40-P1 Headed Pin        | BX27        | OV / TV | 75 - 275      | Ø5.0              |

## MVG40 Threaded Pin Valve Gate System

#### **MVG40 FEATURES**

#### Mould Design

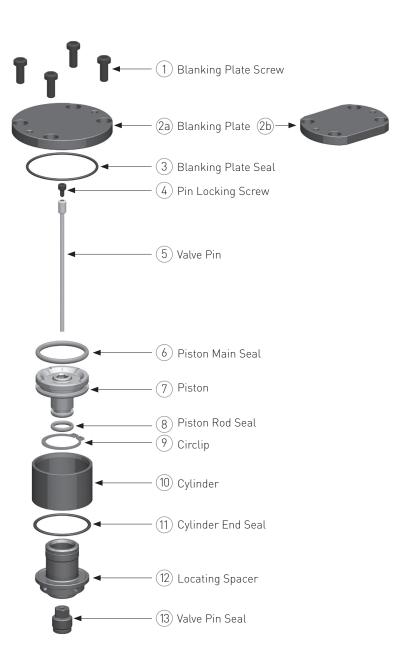
- Available to suit MX and BX Nozzles
- Standard minimal pitching is 75mm
   can be modified to fit 58mm pitching
  - can be modified to fit 58mm pitc Backplates 55mm minimum
- Conical or Cylindrical shut off
- Easy machining of the pockets
- Pneumatic circuit integrated with the backplate

#### **Moulding Benefits**

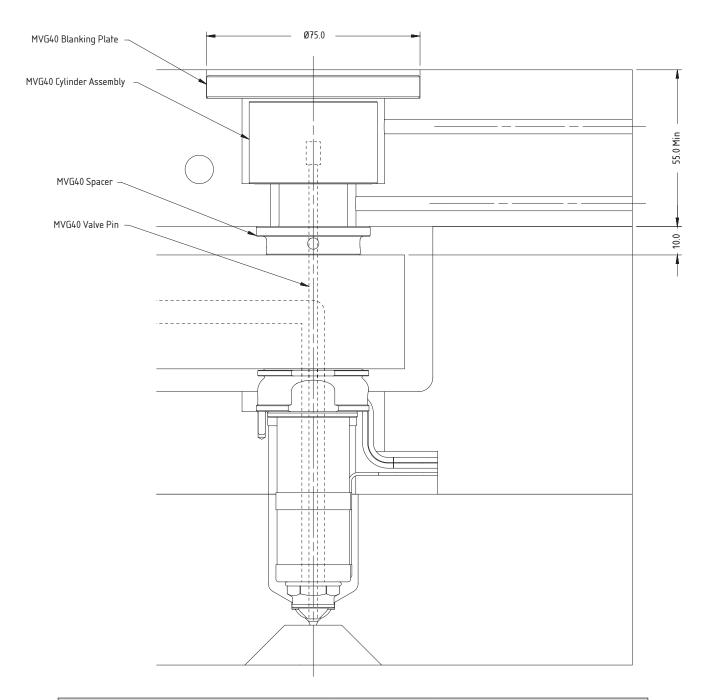
- Reduced moulding pressure
- Increased moulding window
- Lower mould filling stress results in better part quality
- Reduced gate cooling requirements

#### Installation and Maintenance

- Easy machining and installation
- Easy pin adjustment and seal replacement while the mould remains assembled
- Comes with Threaded Pin design fully adjustable



## MVG40 Threaded Pin Valve Gate System



| MVG40 Nozzle Compatibility |             |         |               |                   |
|----------------------------|-------------|---------|---------------|-------------------|
| Description                | Nozzle      | Tip     | Nozzle Length | Supplied Pin Size |
| MVG40-P2 Threaded Pin      | MX13 / BX13 | OV      | 45 - 145      | Ø2.0              |
| MVG40-P2 Threaded Pin      | MX16 / BX16 | OV / TV | 45 - 145      | Ø2.5              |
| MVG40-P2 Threaded Pin      | MX19 / BX19 | OV / TV | 55 - 175      | Ø3.0              |
| MVG40-P2 Threaded Pin      | BX27        | OV / TV | 75 - 275      | Ø5.0              |

## MVG55 Headed Pin Valve Gate System

#### **MVG55 FEATURES**

#### Mould Design

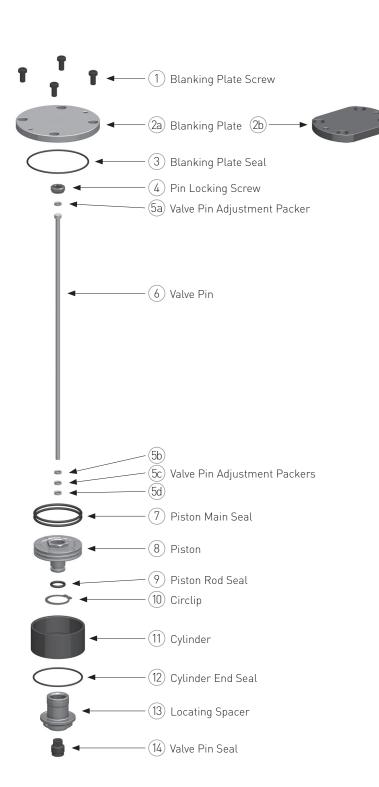
- Available to suit BX Nozzle in 27 Series
- Standard minimal pitching is 95mm
   can be modified to fit 74mm
- Backplates 55mm minimum
- · Easy machining of the pockets
- Pneumatic circuit integrated with the backplate

### **Moulding Benefits**

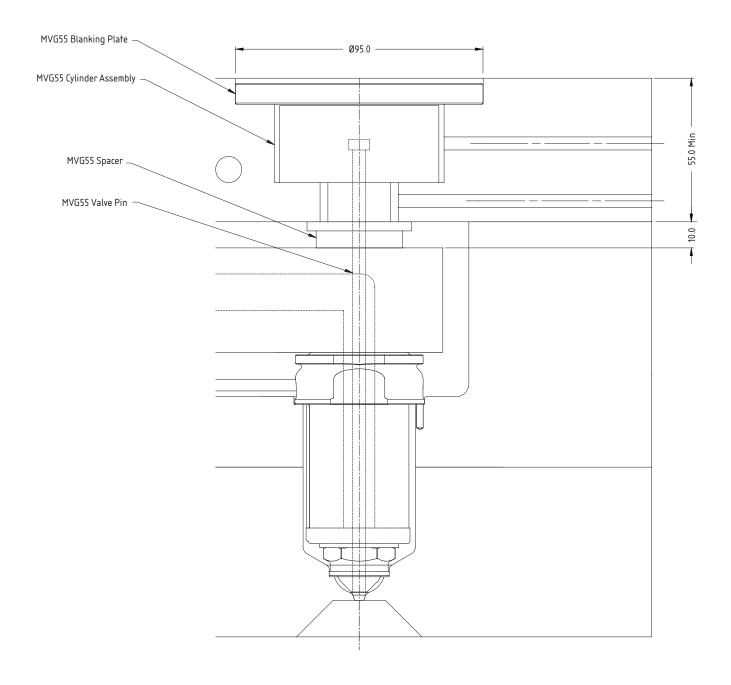
- Reduced moulding pressure
- Increased moulding window
- Lower mould filling stress results in better part quality
- Reduced gate cooling requirements

#### Installation and Maintenance

- Easy machining and installation
- Easy seal replacement
- Valve pin height is adjustable
- Comes with Headed Pin, with incremental adjustment



## MVG55 Headed Pin Valve Gate System



| MVG55 Nozzle Compatibility                          |      |         |          |                   |
|---|------|---------|----------|-------------------|
| Description Nozzle Tip Nozzle Length Supplied Pin S |      |         |          | Supplied Pin Size |
| MVG55-P1 Headed Pin                                 | BX27 | OV / TV | 75 – 275 | Ø5.0              |

## **MVCH Valve Gate System**

#### MVCH FEATURES

#### Mould Design

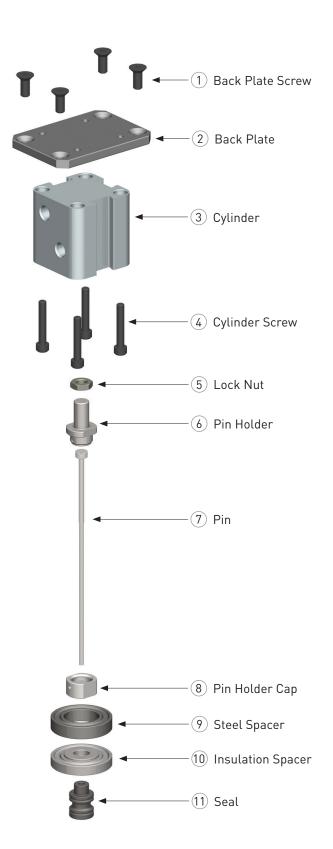
- Available to suit MX 16, 19 and BX 16, 19 and 27 series
- Standard minimal pitching is 58mm
- Backplates 86mm minimum
- Easy machining of pockets
- Hydraulic actuation

#### **Moulding Benefits**

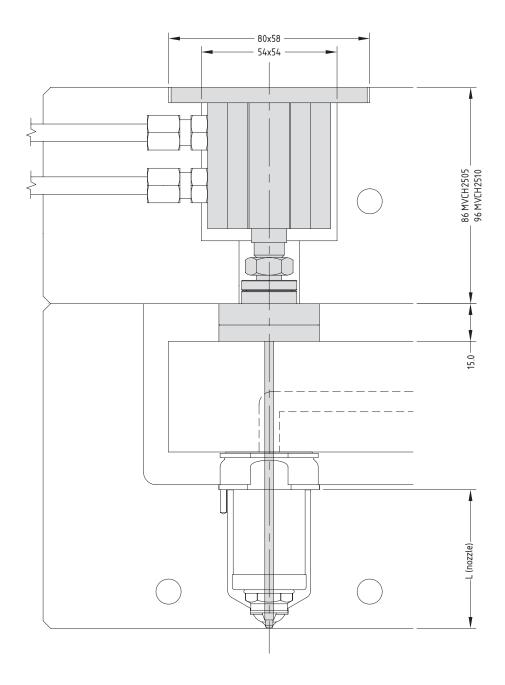
- Improved part quality
- Reduced moulding pressure
- Increased moulding window
- Lower mould filling stress results in better part quality
- Reduced gate cooling requirements

#### Installation and Maintenance

• Adjustable pin length



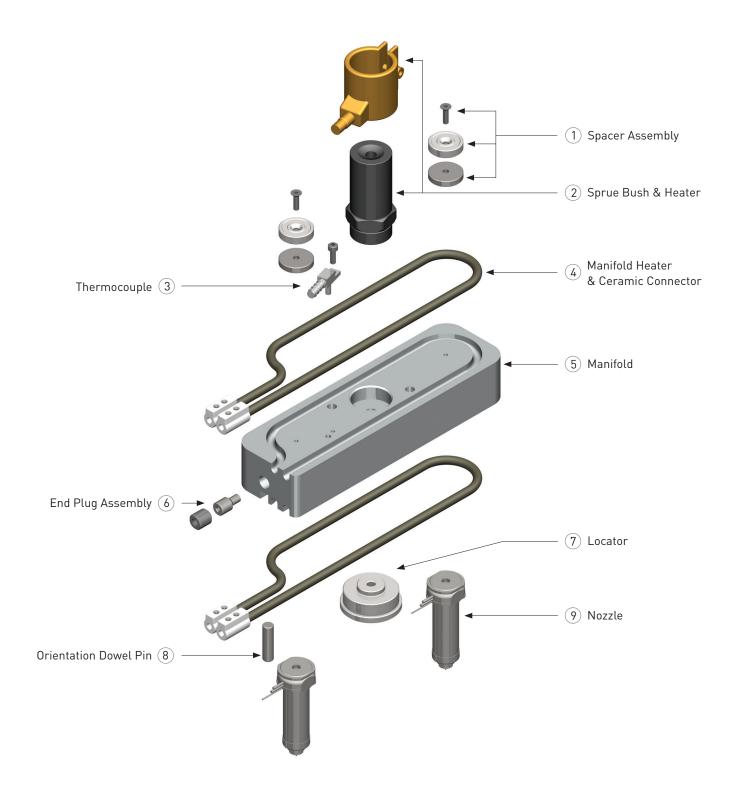
## **MVCH Valve Gate System**



| MVCH Nozzle Compatibility |        |     |                   |                |            |
|---------------------------|--------|-----|-------------------|----------------|------------|
| Description               | Stroke | Tip | Supplied Pin Size | Nozzle         | L (nozzle) |
| MVCH2505-2.5              | 5      | TV  | MO E              | MV1/ / DV1/    | /F 11F     |
| MVCH2510-2.5              | 10     | OV  | — Ø2.5            | MX16 / BX16    | 45 - 115   |
| MVCH2505-3                | 5      | TV  | Ø2.0              | MX19 / BX19    | 55 - 115   |
| MVCH2510-3                | 10     | OV  | Ø3.0              | MIX 17 / DX 17 | JU - 115   |
| MVCH2505-5                | 5      | TV  | Ø5.0              | DV27           | 75 225     |
| MVCH2510-5                | 10     | OV  | Ø5.0              | BX27           | 75 - 225   |

## **Manifold Components**

Exploded view of a Standard 2 Drop Hot Runner System



### Selecting a Manifold Configuration

When deciding on a manifold layout it is important to consider the following:

- The number of injection points required per cavity
- The number of cavities in the mould
- Minimum distance between nozzles
- Balancing of the manifold
- Spacing of cavities to provide adequate room for cooling
- Gate and cavity
- Strength of the mould
- Sufficient steel between cavities
- Mould size versus machine platen size
- Total shot weight

For multi-cavity moulds balancing is critical to achieve consistent dimensions, cosmetic appearance and processing conditions across cavities. It is therefore strongly recommended that for multi-cavity moulds a manifold layout providing natural balancing is used.

**Natural Balancing:** In order to achieve natural balance, the material must flow through identical geometry from the machine nozzle to each of the gates.

This means identical:

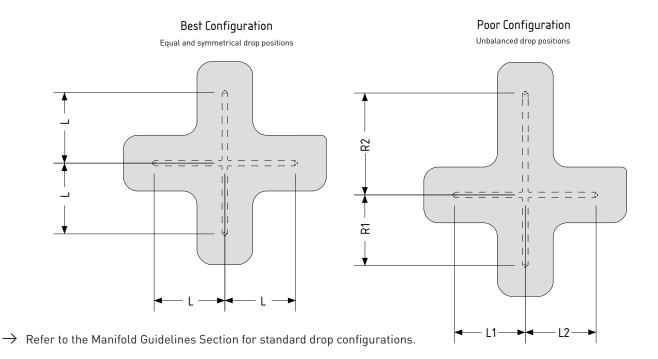
- Flow distance
- Runner diameters
- Number and angle of bends

This ensures that every gate receives material in exactly the same condition. With natural balance, the balance is inherent in the design, and is not based on a specific material or processing temperature.

Rheological balancing: Is a method of balancing by using different runner sizes to artificially provide identical pressure drop at each gate. To accurately predict this, the flow properties of the material must be known, along with the flow rate and anticipated processing temperature. Any variation from the processing conditions used during design will result in an unbalanced system.

Some drop configurations can not be naturally balanced unless the drops are on a PCD and must therefore be rheologically balanced. E.g. 3, 5, 7, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15, 17-23 etc

All standard Mastip manifolds (except 3 Drop 3x1) are naturally balanced.



#### Additional Considerations

To select a Hot Runner System to match your part and material specifications consideration must be given to the following:

- Gate type
- Gate size
- Nozzle range and series
- Nozzle tip style
- Nozzle nut type

## Selecting Material

There are three broad categories of materials each relating to its moulding characteristics:

- Easy
- Medium
- Difficult

When selecting material consider the following:

• Materials with large percentages of filler (for example, →15%) or very low MFI, the material classification moves up a grade (for example, easy to medium).

## Selecting a Gate Type

The following factors must be considered when selecting a gate type:

- Shot size of part
- Material to be moulded
- Material
- Viscosity
- Additives
- Glass fibre
- Flame retardant
- Gate surface finish
- Thickness of part walls

- Longest flow length of part
- Required cycle time

When designing an injection mould, the type, size and location of the gate is one of the most important consideration for correct moulding of the part. Incorrect gate position can result in uneven filling, over packing, and dimensional instability.

Available gate types include:

- · Direct gating
- Valve gating

Direct gating is the most common gate type as it offers simple construction and reliability.

→ Refer to the Nozzle Section for more information about Gate Types

#### **Gate Size**

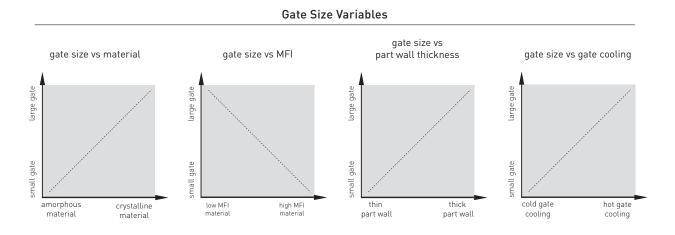
The correct gate size ensures a good thermal gate is achieved and minimises the pressure drop across the gate while maintaining its structural integrity. Parts with very thin wall sections or very long flow lengths need a larger nozzle and gate to achieve proper filling, this may require increasing the nozzle by one to two series.

The gate sizes effects the:

- Flow rate
- Pressure drop through the system
- Cycle time
- Thermal gate shut off after filling
- Cosmetic impact of the gate on the part
- Cooling in the gate area

The gate size is dependent on the:

- Material
- Material viscosity
- Part wall thickness
- Gate cooling\*
- \* Gate cooling is a complex variable and consideration must also be given to cycle time, gate profile, and land length.



## MMA15 Modular Temperature Controller

#### **MMA15 FEATURES**

#### **Benefits**

- Soft Start function to protect heaters during startup
- Idle mode after power failure, to protect module and Hot Runner System
- Open Thermocouple and reversed Thermocouple detection
- Self test on startup

### Single Zone Temperature Controller (MSA)

- Uses standard MMA15 modules
- Supplied with 3m cable and mould end connectors
- 10A rating

#### Multi Zone Temperature Controller (MMA)

- Standard MMA cabinet configurations are 1 to 12 zones
- Supplied with 3m cables and mould end connectors
- 15A rating on all zones



| Technical Specifications     |  |  |
|------------------------------|--|--|
| Mains input power            | 240Vac / 50-60 Hz                          |  |
| Output current capability    | MMA=15A MSA=10A                            |  |
| Thermocouple                 | "J" and "K" type, selectable by DIP switch |  |
| User interface: output       | SV and PV LED                              |  |
| Temperature control range    | 0°C to 537°C (32°F to 999°F)               |  |
| Temperature control accuracy | ±1°C                                       |  |
| Thermocouple open detect     | Yes  |  |
| Thermocouple reversed detect | Yes  |  |
| Start up self test           | Yes  |  |
| Standby Mode                 | Yes, selectable by DIP switch              |  |
| Auto tune                    | Once or every time (user selectable)       |  |

## G-Series GV24 Modular Sequential Control System

### **GV24 FEATURES**

#### **Benefits**

- Regulation of the injection quantity from each individual gate
- Quality of the moulded part can be improved by removing or repositioning of weld lines
- Injection is performed with minimum clamping force due to the gates not all opening simultaneously
- Optimum control over part fill
- Standard GV24 cabinet configurations are 2 to 8 zones
- Supplied with 3m cable and mould end connectors



| Technical Specifications            |   |  |
|-------------------------------------|---|--|
| Mains input power                   | Single phase AC 90-250V (50/60 Hz)  |  |
| Injection signal input power supply | 24VDC, 110VAC, 220VAC   |  |
| Solenoid valve voltage              | 24VDC, 110VAC, 220VAC   |  |
| Operating temperature range         | -10 °C to 50 °C   |  |
| Operating modes                     | Three modes (Continuous Sequence, Intermittent Sequence and Delay Sequence) |  |
| Timer Increment                     | 0.1 seconds   |  |
| Timer Range                         | 0 - 999 seconds   |  |
| Automatic input voltage             | Yes   |  |
| Manual override                     | Yes   |  |

## G-Series GTV8 Integrated Sequential Controller

### **GTV8 FEATURES**

#### **Benefits**

- Regulation of the injection quantity from each individual gate
- Quality of the moulded part can be improved by removing or repositioning of weld lines
- Injection is performed with minimum clamping force due to the gates not all opening simultaneously
- Optimum control over part fill
- Pneumatic only
- Standard GTV8 cabinet configurations are 8 zones compact design



| Technical Specifications            |   |  |
|-------------------------------------|---|--|
| Mains input power                   | Single phase AC 220V (50/60 Hz)                           |  |
| Injection signal input power supply | 24VDC, 220VAC   |  |
| Solenoid output power supply        | Signal voltage, 100mA/Zone                                |  |
| Operating temperature range         | -10 °C to 50 °C   |  |
| Operating modes                     | Two modes (Continuous Sequence and Intermittent Sequence) |  |
| Timer Increment                     | 0.1 seconds   |  |
| Timer Range                         | 0 - 999 seconds   |  |
| Automatic input voltage             | Yes   |  |
| Manual override                     | Yes   |  |

## Working Example of a System Selection

To calculate the number and size of nozzles required to fill a part an initial estimate of the number of nozzles or injection points must be made. A good starting point is to limit the flow length / part thickness (L/t) ratio to the typical values for that type of material.  $\rightarrow$  Refer table on page11 - Typical Flow Length Ratios.

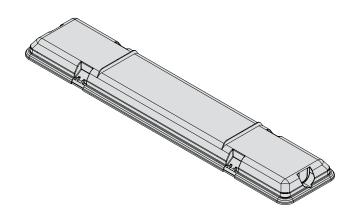
| 1 | Part Details       |                        |
|---|--------------------|------------------------|
|   | Description        | Fluorescent Light Base |
|   | Overall Size       | 700 x 150 x 40 mm      |
|   | Wall thickness (t) | 1.5mm                  |
|   | Part Volume (V)    | 220ml                  |

| 3                       | Hot Runner System Initial Estimates |                     |
|-------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------|
| Number of Nozzles (N) 4 |                                     |                     |
|                         | L/t                                 | 87.5 with 4 Nozzles |

| 2 Ma                   | aterial   |
|------------------------|---|
| Туре                   | ABS   |
| Grade                  | Cycolac T-XS 30001  |
| Flame retardant        | Yes   |
| Specific Gravity (SG)  | 1.3   |
| L/t for wall thickness | 96  |
| Material Category      | Medium - due to flame retardant move up one grade to difficult. |

| 4   | Hot Runner System Analysis Results |                                |
|-----|------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
|     | Injection Pressure                 | 93.65MPa                       |
|     | Injection Time (T)                 | 1.36                           |
|     | Total Flow Rate (F)                | (V*SG)/T=(220*1.3)/1.36=210g/s |
| Flo | ow Rate per Nozzle                 | (F/N)=210/4=52.5g/s            |

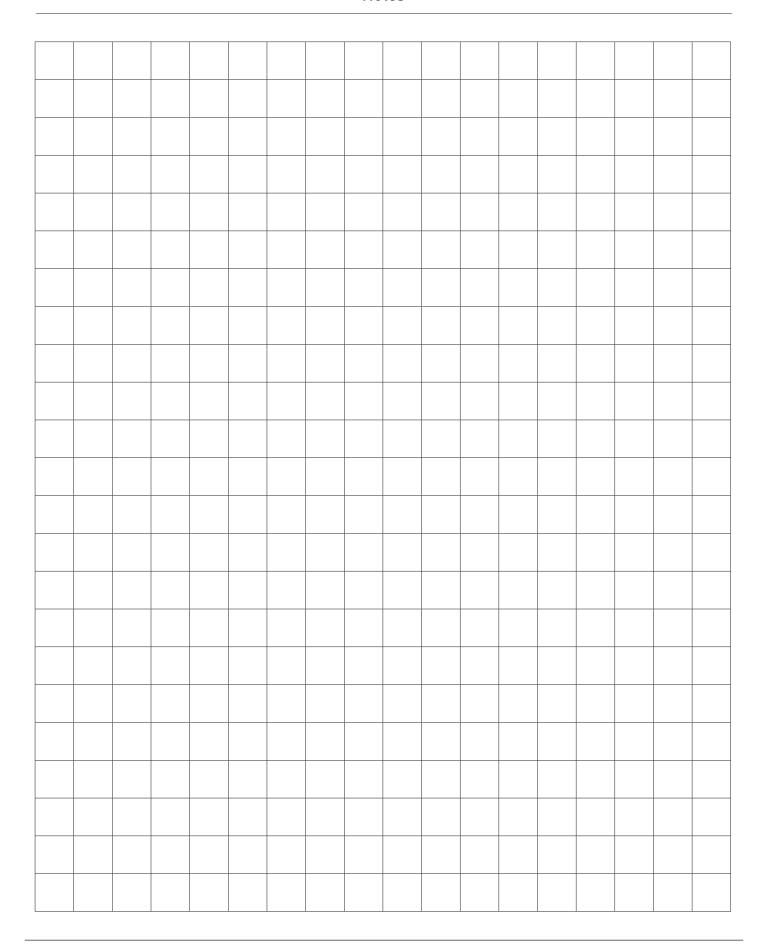
Part Model - Fluorescent Light Base



#### Nozzle Series Selection

19 Series Nozzle is best suited due to the required flow rate of 52.5 g/sec. and the ABS material fitting the medium to difficult material category.

## Notes





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