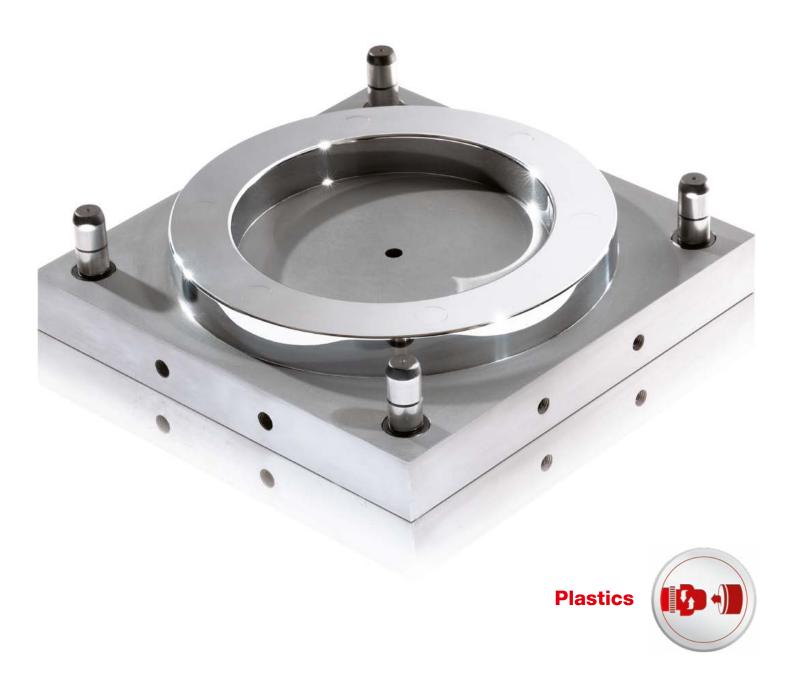


# Make your products shine with BALITHERM PRIMEFORM

The innovative and highly efficient treatment for brilliant mould surfaces



# **BALITHERM PRIMEFORM:** The innovative repair effect for mould surfaces and higher productivity

As a professional, you are aware of this problem: Mirrorpolished surfaces in plastics injection moulding are very sensitive. Heavily stressed surfaces in particular are prone to wear and scratches caused by environmental effects or improper handling. Subsequent repairs or even repolishing is time-consuming and costly. That's why we developed BALITHERM® PRIMEFORM – a plasma-assisted treatment that perceptibly boosts the surface hardness of your moulds with a diffusion coating. Additionally, it prevents build-up, flaking, and embrittlement at edges.

## Brilliant benefits for you

Wear resistance

Surface hardness increase to over 1400 HV **Corrosion resistance** 

Greater protection against aggressive substances and condensates

## Scratch resistance

Reduced mould sensitivity to improper handling Very good polishability

Repolishing possible without repeating the BALITHERM<sup>®</sup> PRIME-FORM treatment

## **Reduced maintenance costs**

Mould repairs possible without stripping and recoating (good weldability)

Consistently high component surface quality

Preservation of mould gloss

**Efficient production** 

# Steel moulds for plastics treated with BALITHERM PRIMEFORM have better properties

Steel grade	1.2738/1.2311/1.2312		1.2343/1.2344		1.4112/1.4122		1.8519/1.8550/1.7735	
	P20+Ni/P20/P20+S		H11/H13		440B/-			
	-/-/-		SKD 6/SKD 61		-/-		-/-/-	
	un- treated	BALITHERM® PRIMEFORM	un- treated	BALITHERM® PRIMEFORM	un- treated	BALITHERM <sup>®</sup> PRIMEFORM	un- treated	BALITHERM <sup>®</sup> PRIMEFORM
Polishability	+	++	+	++	+	++	_	++
Etchability	_	+	+	+	+	++	+	+
Weldability	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Surface hardness		+	-	++	+	+		++

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## The optimised solution for every application



## A compelling advantage



## Problem so far

Slight corrosion in hard-to-reach places despite TiN / CrN. Scratches caused while cleaning the mould – difficult or impossible to remove. Disadvantages: Multiple stripping and recoating or new hard chrome-plating, elaborate maintenance required.

## Solution

BALITHERM<sup>®</sup> PRIMEFORM. For noticeably improved demoulding, optimised process reliability, enhanced component quality.

## Result

Improved production efficiency and reliability. Reduced scrap costs. Productivity gain in the magnitude of 60 %.

## **Specifications**

Treatable steels	Strong steels with dimensional stability up to temperatures of 450°C, e.g. 1.2311, 1.2738, 1.2316, 1.2343, 1.2344, 1.2379, 1.2083 (secondary heat treatment), 1.4112/1.4122, 1.8519/1.8550/1.7735				
Treatment temperature	450°C standard, 380°C on request (steels with > 10% Cr). Please always double check with the BALITHERM <sup>®</sup> PRIMEFORM product information				
Treatable surfaces	Polished surfaces (mirror/brushed) and textured surfaces (shot-peened, etched, eroded)				
Post-treatment	Generally possible				
Combinations with other coatings	BALINIT® C, BALINIT® ALCRONA PRO, BALINIT® FUTURA NANO, BALINIT® LUMENA, BALINIT® D, BALINIT® A, BALINIT® CROMA, BALINIT® CROMA PLUS, BALINIT® DYLYN, BALINIT® DYLYN PLUS, BALINIT® DYLYN PRO				
Tool dimensions	Length max. 9.500 mm Part weights up to 25 t				

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