

PRODUCTION DEPARTMENT

STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE

Title: Operation of Form, Fill and Seal Machine

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1.0 OBJECTIVE:

To lay down a procedure for the Operation of Form, Fill and Seal Machine.

2.0 SCOPE:

This SOP is applicable for the Operation of Form, Fill and Seal Machine (Make: Micro tools) in FFS Section.

3.0 RESPONSIBILITY:

Officer/Executive Production

4.0 ACCOUNTABILITY:

Head Production

5.0 ABBREVIATIONS:

FFS Form, Fill & Seal

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LDPE Low Density Poly Ethylene

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6.0 PROCEDURE:

6.1 PRESTART UP CHECKS:

- **6.1.1** Turn on the Chiller (if the same is not running) and open chilled water inlet and outlet valves.
- **6.1.2** Open Cooling Water Valve for Vacuum Pump.
- **6.1.3** Turn on Compressor and open Inlet Air.
- **6.1.4** Remove all scrap & accumulated plastic from the Carriage and below the Mold Area.
- **6.1.5** Remove the accumulated plastic around Parison Head Nozzles.
- **6.1.6** Clean out all residues from mold alignment pins and bushings (Main Mold and Seal Molds) and apply film of Petrogel to guide pins / keys.
- **6.1.7** Check and rectify the level of the Hydraulic Oils, level of the Mokon unit & level of Vacuum Pump reservoir.



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6.2 START OPERATION:

- **6.2.1** Turn on the Main Power of the Machine.
- **6.2.2** Turn on the Resin (LDPE Granule) Transfer Pump.
- **6.2.3** Turn the Master Control ON from the Operator Panel.
- **6.2.4** Turn on the Bottle Fill Off from the operator panel.
- **6.2.5** Turn on the Heaters from the Operator Panel & wait till Extruder heat up to Stand by Temperature.
- **6.2.6** Turn on the Blower for Positive Air Pressure of LFR (Laminar flow Region) in filling area of the machine.
- **6.2.7** Turn on the Hydraulic Pump from the Operator Panel.
- **6.2.8** Turn on the Vacuum Pump from Operator's Push Button Panel.
- **6.2.9** Energize the Seal Mold by touching the Seal Mold Open Button on the Operator Screen.
- **6.2.10** Energize the Extruder Lift Down by touching the Extruder Lift Down Button on the operator screen.
- **6.2.11** Switch the keys to Auto Mode.
- **6.2.12** Open the Valve to Transfer Solution from Holding Tank to FFS machine.
- **6.2.13** Turn the Extruder ON Button & Knife ON button from the Operator Panel.
- **6.2.14** After the Parison get straight and equal in length and check AUTO READY LED is glowing then start the machine by pressing the Cycle Start Buttons from the Operator Control.
- **6.2.15** Check & Adjust Empty Weight of Respoules (2.1 gm to 2.3 gm each Respoules OR 10.5 gm to 11.5 gm each Cassette, one cassette having 5 Nos. respoules).
- **6.2.16** Visually check and rectify the extra plastic at Respoules.
- **6.2.17** Start the filling and set the fill volume as required (5.1 to 5.3 ml each Respoules).

6.3 STOP OPERATION (FOR STOPPING PRODUCTION CYCLE):

6.3.1 Press the cycle stops button from the push button panel or machine automatically gets stop.

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- **6.3.2** Once the cycle gets completed and the machine stops, Turn the hydraulic off from the push button panel.
- **6.3.3** Turn the Extruder off from the Push Button Panel.
- **6.3.4** Turn off the Bottle Fill on from the operator panel.
- **6.3.5** Turn Off the Vacuum pump from the Push Button Panel.
- **6.3.6** Turn off the Heaters from the Push Button Panel.
- **6.3.7** Turn the Knife off from Push Button Panel.
- **6.3.8** Clear the respoules from the Mould Area.
- **6.3.9** Turn off all the utilities.
- **6.3.10** Turn the Main Power off.
- **6.4** Operation detail shall be filled as per Annexure -I.

6.5 SET OR RUNNING PARAMETERS (PRODUCTION CYCLE):

- **6.5.1** Hydraulic oil pressure 60-85 bar, temperature 40-50 °C and level 70-80 % of its full Capacity.
- **6.5.2** Chilled water pressure 3-4 bar, temperature 10-14°C.
- **6.5.3** Compressed air pressure 6.5-7.5 bar.
- **6.5.4** Extruder temperature 160-190 °C.
- **6.5.5** All detail shall be set filled as **Annexure I.**

7.0 ANNEXURES:

ANNEXURE NO.	TITLE OF ANNEXURE	FORMAT No.
Annexure-I	FFS M/C Running Parameters Observation Record	

ENCLOSURES: SOP Training Record

8.0 **DISTRIBUTION:**

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9.0 REFERENCES: NA

10.0 REVISION HISTORY:

CHANGE HISTORY LOG

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FFS M/C RUNNING PARAMETERS OBSERVATION RECORD

DATE: SHIFT:

	Dodah		Hydraulic Oil		Chilled Water		Comp. Air	Extruder temperatur			tur	e				
	Batch No.	1 ime	Temp.	Pressure	% Level	Temp.	Pressure	Pressure	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8

Frequency: After every 2 hrs (When m/c under running).

Checked by Production (Sign/Date)

Verified by QA (Sign/Date)