

## Accelerating New Product Introductions While Redefining the Supply Chain

Quick-Turn Manufacturing (QTM) refers to our process for rapidly turning your CAD files into high quality molded parts, based on your specific project requirements. Through our option-based prototyping system, NPI/Medical offers four DynaClass® tooling choices. *It all starts with a firm understanding of your needs and letting us work with you to find the best solution for your project.*

Selecting the right tooling and molding option is critical to your New Product Introduction. *At NPI/Medical, our engineering team leverages our unique DynaClass® Tooling and Molding System* to help you select the appropriate prototype tooling level for your project. When you choose to partner with NPI/Medical one project manager will guide you from initial concept to launch. A single point-of-contact ensures transparency and eliminates multiple channels of communication to maximize efficiency and save time during the product development prototyping phase. Additionally, our seasoned project managers understand both speed-to-market and precision are crucial to the successful execution of your program. Thus, timelines and on-time delivery remain a priority throughout the prototyping lifecycle and beyond. Your result - seamless communication, OTD and the advantage of working directly with your project manager.

*Our customers' generally come to us with design expectations that can't be met with a standardized "black box" tooling approach.*

DynaClass® fills this void by understanding the importance of iterative design for effective prototyping. Part geometry is not compromised during the molding process, unlike other "rapid" molding processes where other draft or radii may be required. We have CAD engineers design all of our mold halves, and use CNC machined EDM to burn or wire all critical mold geometry that cannot be milled.

DynaClass® parts come standard with 3 to 6 critical-to-function (CTF) inspection requirements to assure accuracy and part function. Process validation services are offered as required by our customers on DynaClass 2 and DynaClass 3 prototype tooling offerings. DynaClass 4 and DynaClass 5 offer custom quality plans in addition to process validations.



**DynaClass® Tooling and Molding at NPI/Medical offers one of the most diverse tooling and molding options to service all of your prototyping needs.**



| NPI/Medical             | DynaClass 5  | DynaClass 4  | DynaClass 3                              | DynaClass 2                              | SPI Class 101                               |
|-------------------------|--|--|--|--|---|
| Uses                    | Prototype  | Tight Tolerance, Advanced Prototypes               | Low Volume Molding                       | Bridge Tooling, Pre-Production           | Tight Tolerance Production                  |
| Applications            | Form, Fit, Function                                | Part Validation/Design Verification                | Production                               | High Volume, Pre-Production              | Extremely High Production                   |
| Cost/Complexity         | Low  | Low to Moderate                                    | Moderate                                 | Premium                                  | Premium                                     |
| Maximum Part Size       | 3"x 4"   | 6" x 8"  | 6" X 8"                                  | 8" X 8"                                  | 10 X 10                                     |
| Lead Time               | 1-4 weeks  | 2-4 weeks  | 3-6 weeks                                | 4-8 weeks                                | 12-14 weeks                                 |
| Mold Life               | up to 5,000  | up to 50,000                                       | up to 100,000                            | up to 500,000                            | 1,000,000 Plus                              |
| Mold Base               | Aluminum/P-20 Steel                                | P-20 or #2 Steel                                   | P-20 or #2 Steel                         | P-20, #2, #3, & #7 Steel                 | #2, #3, #7                                  |
| Mold Inserts            | Limited/Hand Loads                                 | Hand Load & Actions as Needed                      | Automated                                | Automated                                | Automated                                   |
| Cavity Creation         | Machined with Limited EDM                          | Machined with Some EDM                             | Machined & EDM                           | Machined & EDM                           | Machined & EDM                              |
| Inserts                 | Hardened Steel Cores, Cavities & Inserts as Needed | Hardened Steel Cores, Cavities & Inserts as Needed | Hardened Steel Cores, Cavities & Inserts | Hardened Steel Cores, Cavities & Inserts | Hardened Steel Cores, Cavities, and Inserts |
| Action                  | Limited/Hand Loads                                 | Hand Load & Actions as Needed                      | Automated                                | Automated                                | Automated                                   |
| Standard Tolerances     | +/-0.05" unless otherwise predetermined            | +/-0.05" unless otherwise predetermined            | +/-0.05" unless otherwise predetermined  | +/-0.05" unless otherwise predetermined  | Standard Production molding tolerances      |
| Controlled Environments | Clean Room Molding Options                         | Clean Room Molding Options                         | Clean Room Molding Options               | Clean Room Molding Options               | Clean Room Molding Options                  |
| Quality Systems         | Custom Quality Plans/Process Validation            | Custom Quality Plans/Process Validation            | Full Process Validation                  | Full Process Validation                  | Full Process Validation                     |
| Class Equivalent        | Class 105  | Class 104  | Class 103                                | Class 102                                | Class 101                                   |



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**Your Key Advantage - work with 1 project manager throughout the entire project lifecycle.**

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| Prototype Tool Option | <b>proto labs®</b> | <b>SEAWAY</b><br>PLASTICS ENGINEERING LLC | <b>NPI/MEDICAL</b> |
| Material              | Aluminum           | Aluminum                                  | Steel              |
| Cost/Complexity       | Low-Moderate       | Moderate-Premium                          | Premium            |
| Lead Time             | 1-2 weeks          | 3-4 weeks                                 | 3-4 weeks          |