



# How to Improve Dual Laminate Equipment Quality through Risk Assessment & Implementation of ISO 9001:2015

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PLAN THE WORK,  
WORK THE PLAN!

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- Performing Quarterly Business Review Mtgs
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## ■ Key Risk Reducing Areas of Primary Concern

- Determining Customer Requirements & Expectations
- Welding and Joining of Component Parts
- MOC Selection and Procurement
- Ability to train/execute thermoforming, layup and assembly
- Charting and Gathering Customer Feedback

## ■ Direct Improvements as a Result of Implementing ISO

- Customer Survey - Points to the need for new mandrel – Increased satisfaction
- Improvement of Work Instructions (WI) – combines molding & joining steps
- Charting Rework – Points to delays in tank leg assembly – improves delivery time
- Review of Work Instruction – reduction in % weld seams in tank lids/bottoms
- Customer Return – Cracked flange during shipment – overhaul of all packaging
- Recorded production logs - More consistent VE batch mixing - Barcol Hardness
- Internal Audit – Relocate Dimension Tolerances Chart from wall to shop DwgS



Say what you do!

Do what you say!

Prove it!



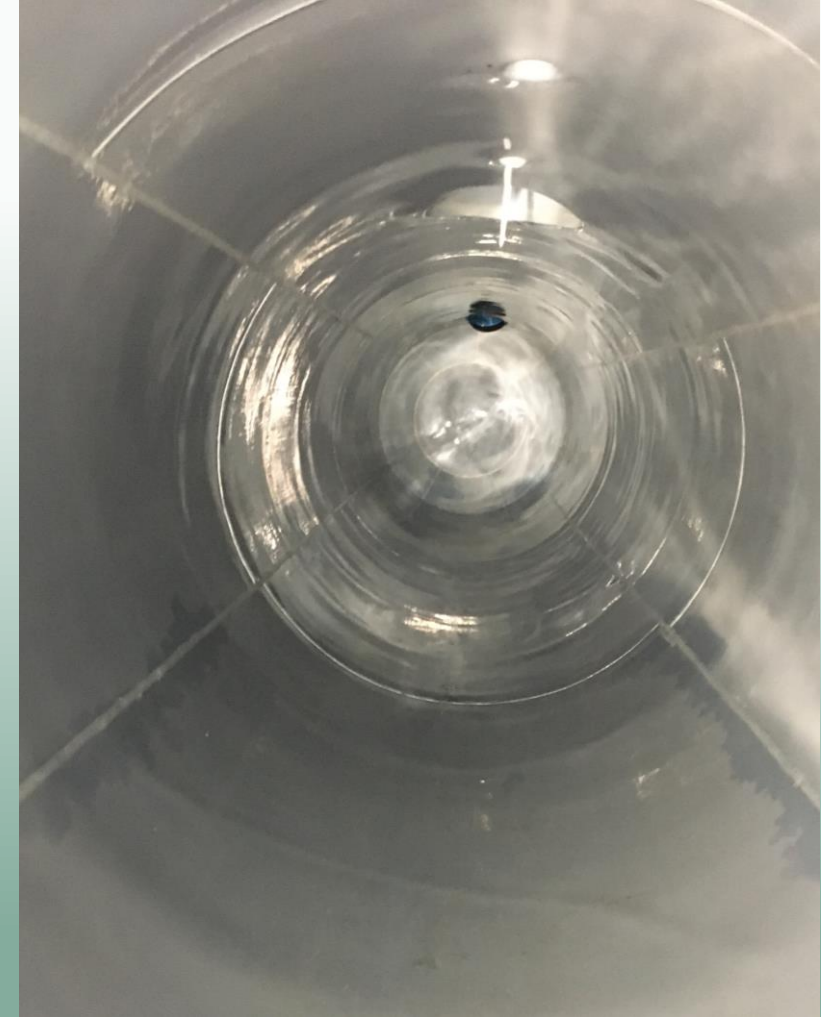
# Risk Assessment of Critical Operations

## 1. Types of Risk to consider

- a. Customer Risks – directly impact customer satisfaction
- b. Strategic Risks – directly impact roles of Mgmt
  - should include a SWAT Analysis
- c. Operational Risks – directly impact the product
- d. Financial Risks – directly impact a company's bottom line

## 2. Risk analysis for each step of the operation

- a. Mapping (flow chart) of Critical Processes
- b. Risk Identification
- c. Risk Analysis: High, Medium, or Low
- d. Risk Evaluation
- e. Risk Control



# Mapping/Identification of Critical Operations

SALES

Purchasing

Receiving

- Sales Technical Review of Specifications; comparing, contrasting, establishing scope
- Purchasing Vendor relations, procedures, review BOM,
- Receiving Receipt of purchased goods, inspect, record, label
- Production Mfg of DL components, assembly of spools, batching of resin, training, inspection
- Inspection Paper flow, inspection of semi-finished goods, sign-off, reporting
- Shipping Procedures, Packaging, inspection, shipping

Production

Inspection

Shipping



Each Identified Risk must be prioritized and rated:

**HIGH**

**MEDIUM**

**LOW**

Critical Processes Identified:

**SIX**

Critical Production Processes Identified:

**FORTY-FIVE**

# Controlling & Reducing the Risk

- **Determining Customer Requirements & Expectations**
  - Technical Sales Review Format
  - Charting and Gathering Customer Feedback – Surveys, audits, deliveries
- **Process Work Instructions – Heart and Soul of QMS system**
  - Critical Risk - Welding and Joining of Component Parts
  - Must train regularly using the Work Instructions – **Great time for revision**
- **Must monitor and adapt to Internal & External forces**
  - Critical Risk areas – availability of raw materials, employment staffing
  - Internal & External forces will bring about changes to your QMS program



# Example: Critical Operation - Purchasing

Table 2 — Mechanical and thermal properties

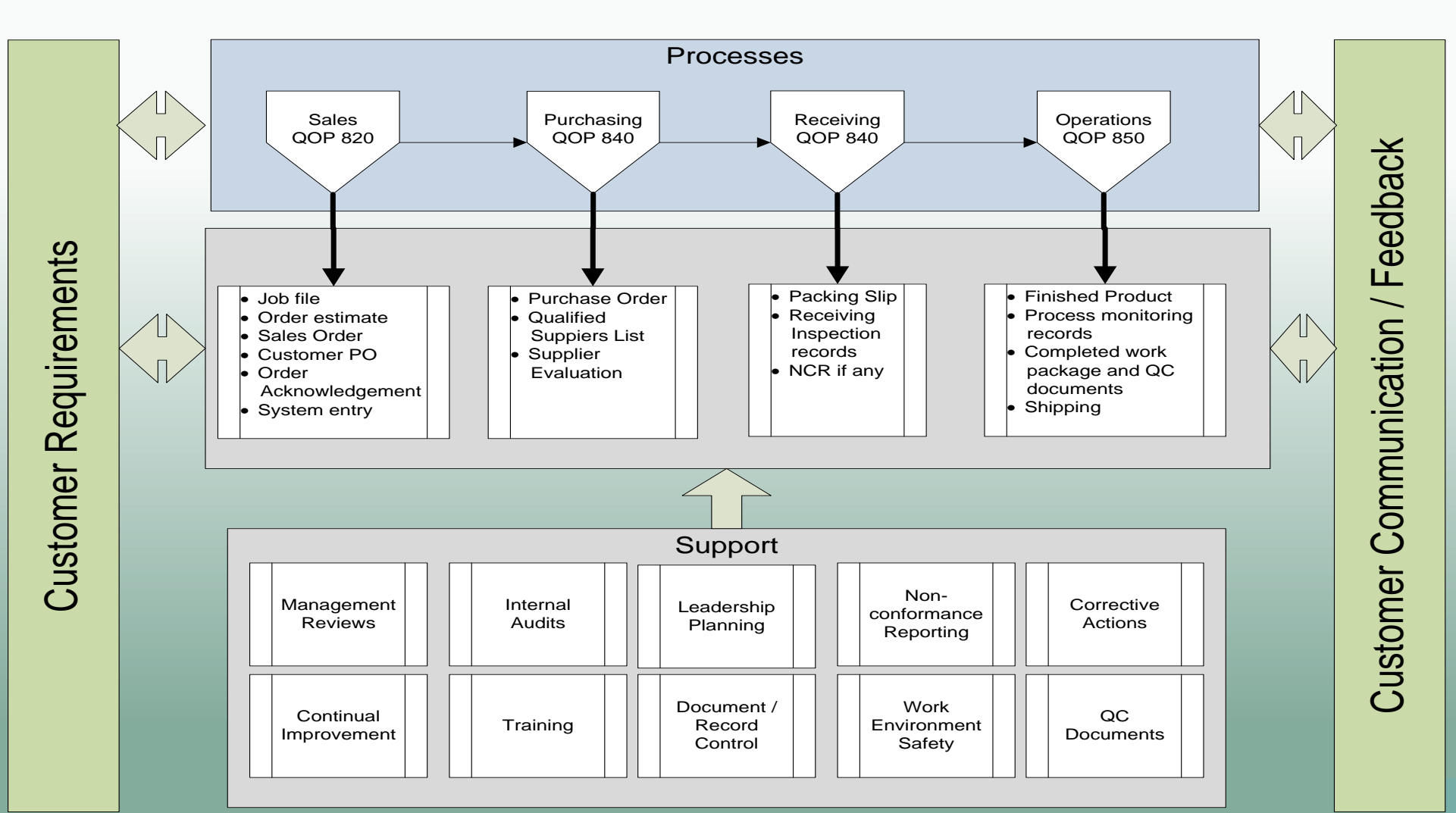
Property	Unit	Requirements (average values)							Test method subclause
		PP-H			PP-B		PP-R		
		Group 1.1 <sup>a</sup>	Group 1.2	Group 1.3	Group 2.1	Group 2.2	Group 3.1	Group 3.2	
Tensile stress at yield	MPa	≥ 30	≥ 30	≥ 30	≥ 25	≥ 25	≥ 20	≥ 20	5.5
Tensile strain at yield	%	≥ 9	≥ 9	≥ 8	≥ 12	≥ 8	≥ 12	≥ 8	5.5
Modulus of elasticity in tension	MPa	≥ 1 200	≥ 1 200	≥ 1 200	≥ 1 000	≥ 1 100	≥ 700	≥ 800	5.6
Charpy impact strength of notched specimens <sup>b</sup>	kJ/m <sup>2</sup>	≥ 6	≥ 6	≥ 4	≥ 15	≥ 15	≥ 15	≥ 15	5.7
MFR (230 °C/2,16 kg)	g/10 min	0,2 to 0,7	0,2 to 1,0	—	0,2 to 0,7	—	0,2 to 0,7	—	5.8
Heat resistance	°C days	150 ≥ 100	150 ≥ 100	150 ≥ 20	150 ≥ 80	150 ≥ 20	140 ≥ 40	140 ≥ 20	5.9

<sup>a</sup> Sheets of group 1.1 shall be manufactured only from extrusion compounds approved by all interested parties.

<sup>b</sup> Only valid for nominal sheet thicknesses  $h_n \geq 4$  mm.

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# Internal & External Communications Impact Information Flow



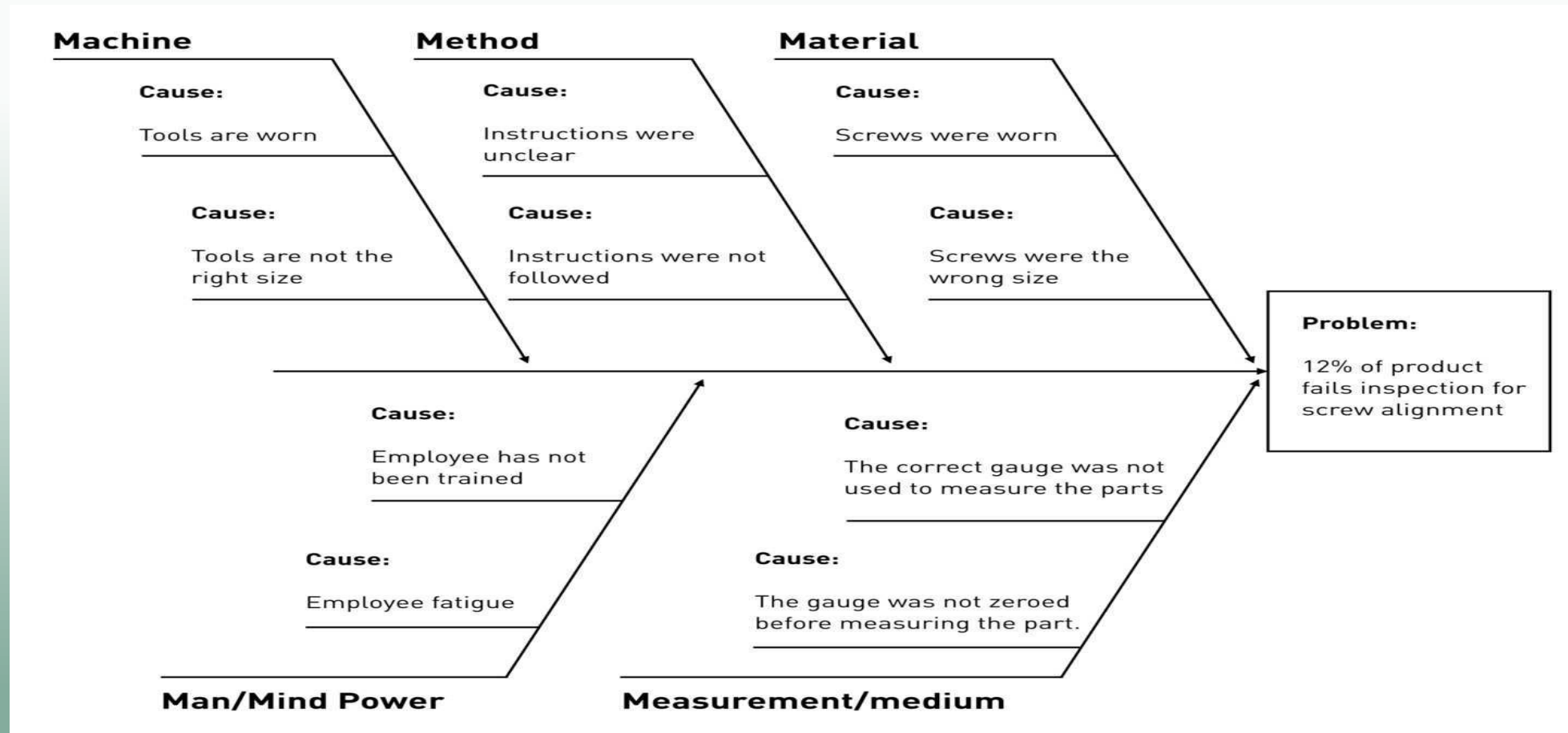
# Quantifiable Goals & Objectives

- **Periodic Mgmt Reviews will Insure a Well Running Program**
  - **Customer Satisfaction – Monitor Customer Complaints – set a quarterly Goal**
  - **Customer Satisfaction – Monitor Customer Surveys – Ask “would you recommend”**
  - **Reporting of NCRs – Causation Analysis – set a Goal for NCR completions**
  - **Employee Training – Monitoring performance – Pareto Charting on Rework**
  - **Tracking Product Efficiency – monitoring budget vs actual; labor, R/M, rework**
  - **Tracking Ship Dates – monitoring lead times, backlog, deliveries**

Objectives		Measurements			Target date
		Metrics	Target	Actual	
Customer Satisfaction	Improve customer satisfaction	Review of Customer Complaints	< 2/Quarter	1	Annual
	Improve customer satisfaction	Feedback – Survey Responses as Agree and/or Strongly Agree	>95%	100%	Annual
Purchasing/ Receiving	Supplier Performance	Monitor critical supplier performance	>90% of them rated excellent / Good	95 % (Dec 22)	Annual
NCR	Reporting of NCRs	Analysis of NCRs	Closed in less than 3 months	All closed in Dec 2022	Annual
Training	Monitoring employee performance	Reduce number of mistakes.	Pareto Chart < 1.0 %	Pareto Chart < 1.0 %	On Going
Product Quality	Job efficiency (Labour and Materials)	ESTI Track Cost	>90%	97%	Quarterly
	Tracking mandatory delivery dates	PO and Backlog, NCR	>95%	98%	Quarterly

# Importance of Non-conformance

## Root Cause Analysis Corrective Action Reports



Your future Quality, work instructions, and flow charts – depend on getting this **RIGHT!**

# With your ISO 9001:2015 system Up and Running



Let the IMPROVEMENTS Begin!

# Improvement #1

## Reducing Potential Damage to Liner

ISO SOURCE: Customer Complaint from survey – the customer found minor surface scratches on the interior FEP lining.

Improvement: Created a collapsible mandrel which shrinks when removing the completed header.

Risk Reduction: Newly designed mandrel dramatically reduced the risk of damage & scratching of the soft Fluoropolymer lining. No complaints of scratching received since.



# Improvement #2

## Work Instruction modification for molding ECTFE Liner

ISO SOURCE: Creating the Fluoropolymer molding Work Instruction.

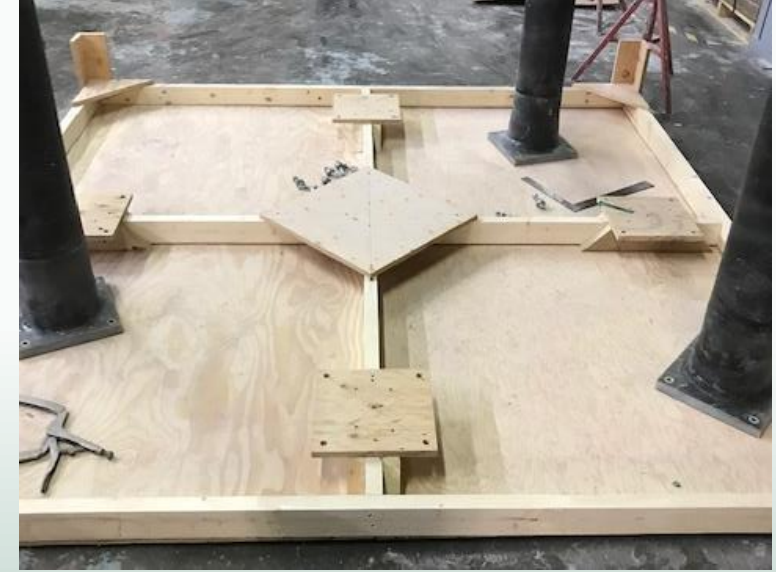
Improvement: Reduced the number of heat cycles from 2 to 1 by combining the thermoforming step with the longitudinal fusion step.

Risk Reduction: Customer benefited from less heat history, less chance of damaging thermoplastic liner. Customer/company benefited from lower costs, work instruction was changed to reflect the more efficient procedure.



# Improvement #3

## Day Tank Jig



ISO SOURCE:

Tracking of Technician Efficiency – reducing delays

Improvement:

Reduced the overall time of manufacture by 10 days.

Risk Reduction/Benefit:

Jig holds all four legs simultaneously square and level. This reduces the risk to unevenness, need for rework, less potential for delay of project due to rework.



# Improvement #4 Minimizing Weld Seams

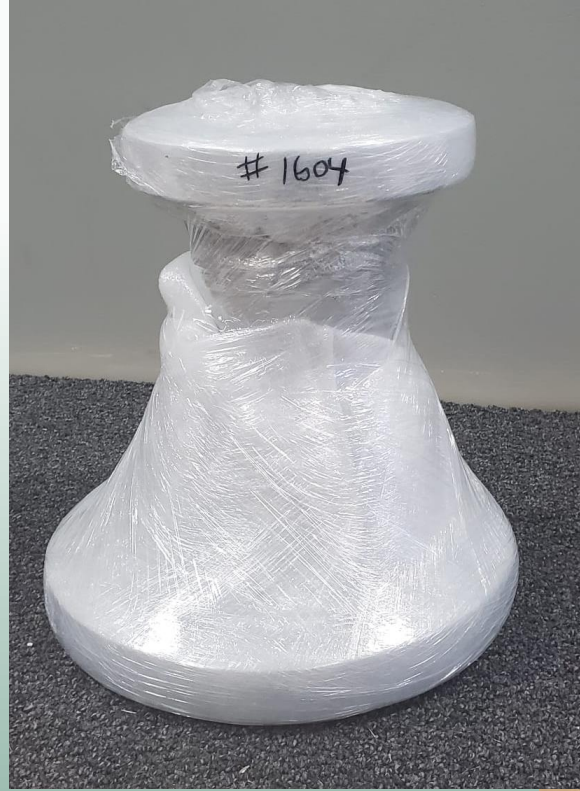
ISO SOURCE: Review of Work Instruction – Supervisor level

Improvement: Reduce the amount of thermoplastic weld seams by 25%, from 8 to 6 petals.

Risk Reduction: By lowering the amount of weld seams reduces the risk of leakage of a vessel, therefore improving the life expectancy.



# Improvement #5 – Packaging



Included a revision of Shipping/Handling Guide

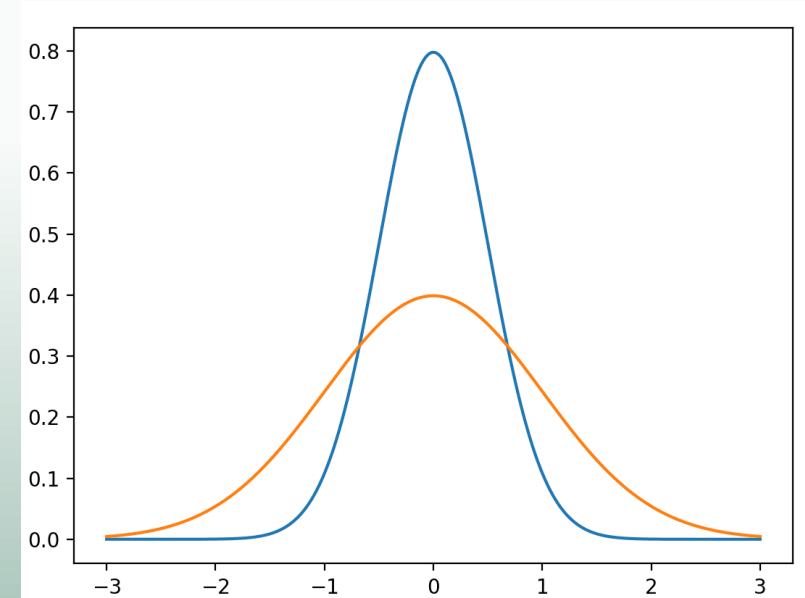
# Improvement #6

## More consistent VE Batch Mixing

ISO SOURCE: Production Log – recording of Barcol Hardness for each component or spooling

Improvement: Purchased stationary mixer for batching of VE. Tightened the Barcol Hardness bell curve, created more consistent surface hardness for all of our dual laminate products.

Risk Reduction: Lower the risk of fluctuations between VE batches which improved the consistency of our reported Barcol Hardness numbers, improving FRP quality across the board.



# Improvement #7

## Dimensional +/- Tolerances

ISO SOURCE:

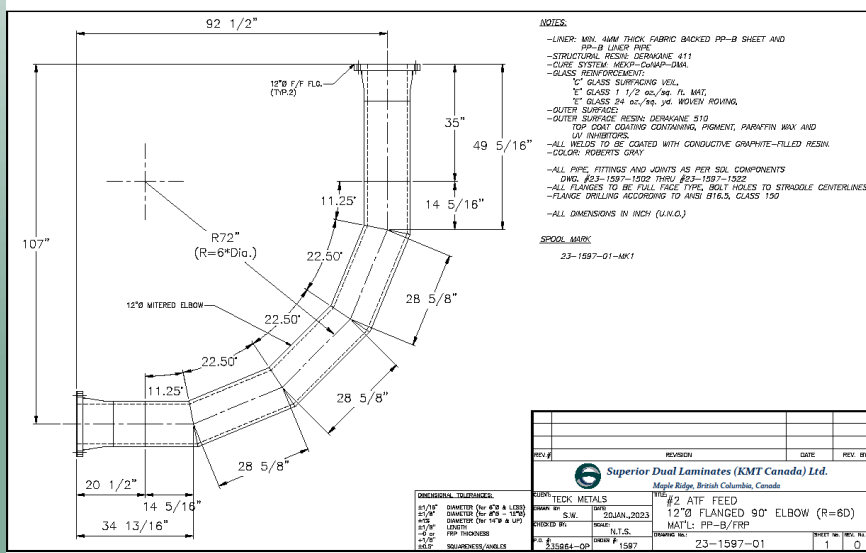
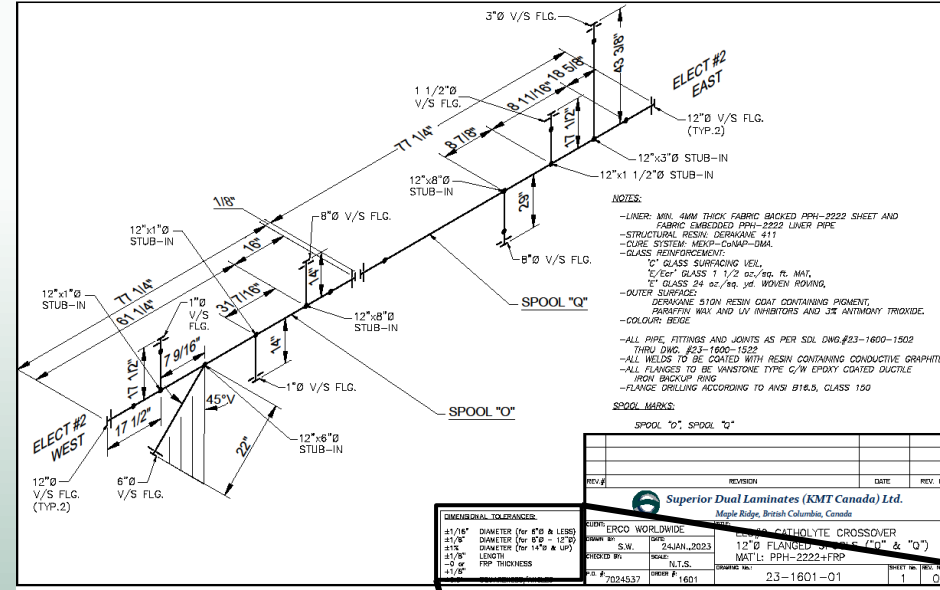
Internal Audit Program

Improvement:

Moved Tolerance Tables from Wall postings to each individual shop drawings.

Risk Reduction:

Less risk of wrong tolerances being transferred to each project.



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CHECKED BY	N.T.S.	MATERIAL	PPH-2222+FRP
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**Dimensional Tolerances:**

- $\pm 1/16''$  Diameter (6" and less)
- $\pm 1/8''$  Diameter (8" – 12")
- $\pm 1\%$  Diameter (14" & UP)
- $\pm 1/8''$  Length
- 0" FRP Wall Thickness
- $\pm 1/8''$  FRP Wall Thickness
- $\pm 0.5^\circ$  Squareness/Angles

# Conclusion

- ❑ ISO is mandatory for experiencing sustainable improvements within a company
- ❑ ISO is about reproducibility, so your identified processes & WI must be accurate
- ❑ All levels of the Company **MUST** have input into the Quality Program
- ❑ Internal & External forces **MUST** be monitored on a regular basis
- ❑ With a solid ISO 9001:2015 system in place – **Improvements will follow!**

**Thank You for Your Attention!**

**Any Questions?**