

LOS PLÁSTICOS







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PLASTIC MATERIALS



1 THE ORIGIN OF PLASTIC



Video: History of plastics



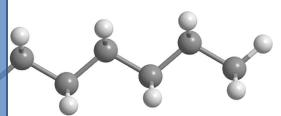






A plastic is a material made up of chains of carbon MOLECULES (together with other elements) called polymers. These chains are repeats of small molecules called monomers.











1 THE ORIGIN OF PLASTIC





1° Oil is extracted from oil wells



2° In the refineries the desired hydrocarbon is obtained



3° It is stirred in a reactor together with the additives.





The polymer in granules is obtained.



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1 THE ORIGIN OF PLASTIC

Polymerization

ADDITIVES: a substance added to something in small quantities to improve or preserve it.

e.g. color







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2 CLASSIFYING PLASTICS



Vídeo: tipos de plásticos



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2 CLASSIFYING PLASTICS

Not all plastics are the same; to distinguish them we classify them according to their properties.

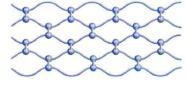
THERMOPLASTICS





ELASTOMERS









THERMOPLASTICS

Los plásticos más seguros para la salud



PS (espuma de poliestireno)

Productos descartables (vasos, bandejas de tecnopor).

Tenga cuidado: el estireno es un producto químico potencialmente tóxico que se libera cuando el recipiente de plástico se usa para guardar o calentar alimentos o líquidos a temperaturas mayores a 80 °C.



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pegajoso, potes de aceite para

cocina pueden desprender

BPA (bisfenol A) y ftalatos.

2 CLASSIFYING PLASTICS

Tipos de plástico según su clasificación numérica





Desprenden bisfenol A

en el contenido del

recipiente.













FUENTE: National Geograpfic, Cestores de Residuos, Recytrans





2 CLASSIFYING PLASTICS

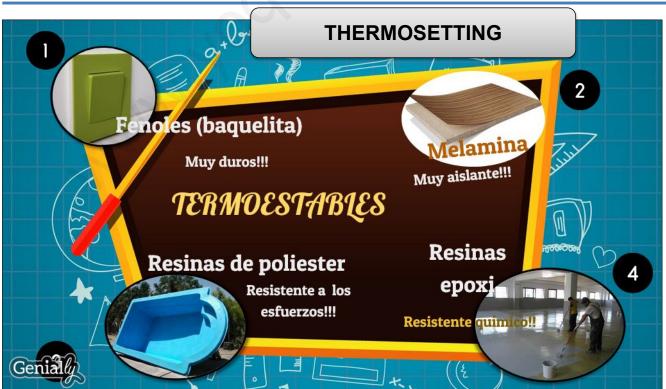
OTHER THERMOPLASTICS





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3 PLASTIC FORMING TECHNIQUES



Video: Injection forming



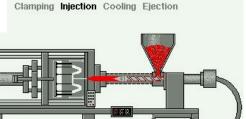
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Video: Injection forming

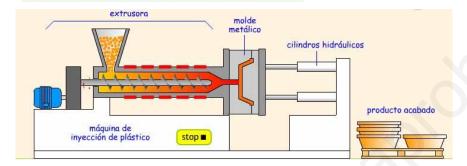


3 PLASTIC FORMING TECHNIQUES



INJECTION MOLDING

- 1°.- The granules are dragged by the movement of the screw to melt by the action of the heating bands.
- 2°.- The melted mass is pushed by the screw, injecting it into the mold that will give it its shape.



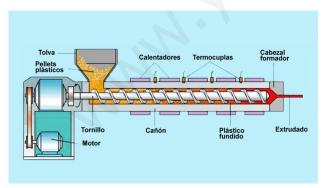
- 3°.- Once the material has cooled, the piece is removed from the mold.
- With it, pieces with complicated shapes are obtained



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3 PLASTIC FORMING TECHNIQUES



It is used to obtain carpentry profiles, tubes, pipes...

EXTRUSION

- 1°.- The granules are dragged by the movement of the screw to melt by the action of the heating bands.
- 2°.- The molten paste is pushed by the rotating screw and forced to pass through a nozzle that will shape the

object.

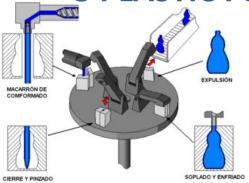




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3 PLASTIC FORMING TECHNIQUES



BLOW MOULDING

- 1°.- A cylinder called a preform is inserted into a hot hollow mold.
- 2°.- The mold is closed and hot pressurized air is introduced so that the material adapts to the mold.
- 3°.- Once cold, the mold is opened and the piece is extracted.

This process is used to obtain bottles and similar products.

Video: Blow Molding





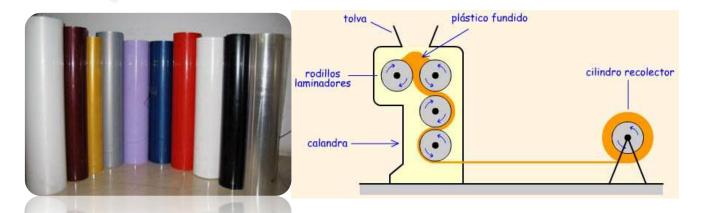
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3 PLASTIC FORMING TECHNIQUES

CALENDERING

In calendering, thin sheets of plastic are made by passing the plastic under pressure through some rollers. Examples of this type of forming are plastics for greenhouses, films, acetates...







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4 RECYCLING



Video: Plastic pollution



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4 RECYCLING

It is essential to recover the plastic







4 RECYCLING

1°- Selective collection in special containers and separation by codes.



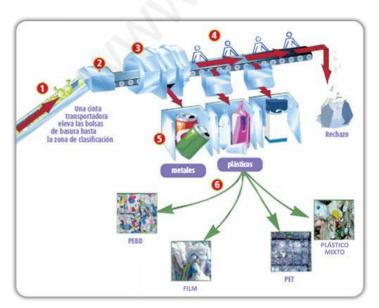


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4 RECYCLING

Waste separation plant



- 1. Separate by materials
- 2. Separate by codes



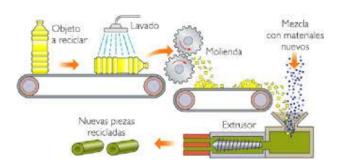




4 RECYCLING

2nd mechanical recycling

- 3. Wash the residue
- 4. Shred them
- 5. Manufacture new parts







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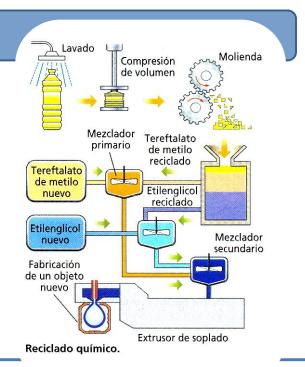


4 RECYCLING

2nd chemical recycling

It consists of separating the chemical components or monomers that make up the plastic, reversing the steps that were followed to create them.

It is more expensive than the previous one and produces waste.





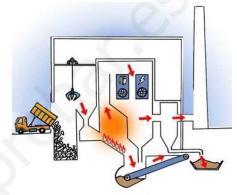


4 RECYCLING

3rd energy recycling

Not all plastics can be recycled mechanically or chemically, for this type of plastic there is a solution:

Production of electricity or heat from its incineration!!





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