# Pascal mag clamp

### Reliability backed by a delivery record of 7000 units



5,500kN Injection Molding Machine Circle Core magnetic clamp (Slim model) & Valve stand





Clamping force 8,500 kN Injection Molding Machine

# Automate mold clamping operations Mag clamp



Movable side Number of Core 84 Max. clamping force 588 kN Fixed side Number of Core 76 Max. clamping force 532 kN



Clamping force 3,500 kN Injection Molding Machine

## Mag clamp that consumes less energy

For a 3,500kN molding machine with a Mag Clamp, electricity costs 0.4 yen per mold change. Electricity is only required when clamping or unclamping.



Movable side Number of Core 34 Max. clamping force 238 kN Fixed side Number of Core 32 Max. clamping force 224 kN



Clamping force 1,300 kN Injection Molding Machine

# Super strong Neodium magnets securely clamp molds

The standard mold weight for a 3,500kN molding machine is 3 tons, and the clamping force required for a Mag Clamp is 224kN (23 tons)



Movable side Number of Core 12 Max. clamping force 84 kN Fixed side Number of Core 12 Max. clamping force 84 kN



Clamping force 3,500 kN Injection Molding Machine

# Automated clamping regardless of mold size



Movable side Number of Core 41 Max. clamping force 310 kN Fixed side Number of Core 40 Max. clamping force 314 kN



Vertical machine Clamping force 400 kN

# **Instantly** clamps molds

0.5 seconds to clamp for a 3,500kN molding machine, 3.2 seconds to clamp for a 13,000kN (per plate)



Multi-color machine Clamping force 6,000 kN



Clamping force 1,300 kN Injection Molding Machine

# Multi-Mag Clamp, ideal clamping device for multiple molding machines at minimal cost.



Movable side Number of Core 12 Max. clamping force 84 kN Fixed side Number of Core 12 Max. clamping force 84 kN

# **Circle Core Mag clamp**



# Pascal Mag Clamp Delivery Record Reliability backed by delivery record of 7000 units



### Circle Core Mag clamp standard model Temperature of 120°C

The Mag clamp is designed for reliability and economic efficiency. It is more economical than the Square core mag clamp

Standard model Clamping force 500 - 30,000kN Slim model Clamping force 750 - 6,500kN



Standard model



Fixed platen

Moving platen



#### Slim model

See page  $\rightarrow$  30 for details

This model is about 10% more economical than the standard type



Fixed platen



See page -> 32 for details

### Circle Core multi mag clamp



#### Economical model that allows one controller to operate multiple Mag Clamps

Clamping force up to 4,000kN









See page → 34 for details

# Square Core Mag Clamp



# Pascal Mag Clamp Delivery Record Reliability backed by delivery record of 7000 units



Select a Square Core Mag Clamp for applications with high temperatures above 120°C

Clamping force **500 - 30,000**kN

Fixed platen

Moving platen

Moving platen







# Square Core Mag Clamp Plate thickness 35mm Temperature of 80.150.180°C

A 35mm thick plate is available for machines up to 1,500kN

Clamping force 200 - 1,500kN

Fixed platen

Fixed platen

Moving platen





See page → 46 for details





Moving platen





# Square Core Mag Clamp for a Vertical IMM Temperature of 80.150.180°C

Square core models are suitable for vertical molding machines in view of Mag clamp functionality.

Plate thickness 50mm or 35mm (35mm is available for machines up to 1,500kN.)









See page → 48 for details

# Square Core Mag Clamp for a Multi-Color IMM Temperature of 80.150.180°C

Square core models are suitable for 2-color molding machines in view of Mag clamp functionality.

Plate thickness 50mm or 35mm 35mm is available for machines up to 1,500kN

Fixed platen

Fixed platen



Moving platen



Moving platen



See page → 50 for details

## Automate mold clamping operations

Mounting and demounting molds with eight bolts using wrenches is hard work. Working underneath the molds is dangerous.

The Mag clamp can clamp and unclamp molds safely and easily, instantaneously reducing production times and heavy workloads, resulting in increased productivity and a more comfortable work environment.

#### Taking time to fasten/loosen the screw









#### Mag clamp clamps and unclamps molds in 0.5 to 4.5 seconds.



# Automated clamping regardless of mold size

### No standardizing the mold size and thickness of mold plate is necessary.





# Use the machine platen area to the maxium\_\_\_\_

Extra space is not necessary to mount conventional clamps on the machine platen and molds can be designed without any dimensional constraints.



Mag clamp

# No interferences with the wire or hose

Extra space is required to mount manual or hydraulic clamps on the platen, and core cylinders, electrical connectors, couplers and hoses can create interferences.



Mag clamp

# Zero-energy clamping is accomplished with super-strong neodymium magnets.

No electric power is required when clamping the mold, and an air compressor and hydraulic pump motor are not necessary.

#### <u>Structure</u>

#### Clamp



- ① Electromagnetic coil is energized for 0.5 sec.
- <sup>②</sup> Polarity of alnico magnet is inverted.
- ③ Neodymium magnet and alnico magnet become homopolar.
- ④ Magnet core becomes a strong magnet to clamp the mold.
- ① Electromagnetic coil is energized for 0.5 sec.
- ② Polarity of alnico magnet is inverted.

Unclamp

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- ③ Magnetic flux of neodymium magnet and alnico magnet is not emitted from the surface of the magnet core so that the mold can be unclamped.
- Energization is only required when switching on and off. No energization is required during the clamped state. No electricity is consumed, thus no heat generation.
- The clamp plate has no moving parts, thus assuring high durability. The plate interior is maintenancefree.
- Clamping force is evenly applied on all faces of the magnet core. No gaps are created between the machine's platen surface and center part of the mold which helps improve molding accuracy.
- Once the mold is clamped, unclamping (demagnetization) will not occur even when if a power outage happens or if power cable breakage occurs.
- Magnetic force of permanent magnet will not decrease through aging. Clamping force is maintained for long-term use.
- The effective height of the magnetic flux is about 20 mm above clamp plate surface Magnetic field does not cause significant effect inside the mold.
- No magnetic field is generated from the sides of the clamp plate. So the injection nozzle and controller are not affected.

When the mold is displaced or the mold floats above the clamp plate due to a rare mis-set ejector pin, mis-set nozzle touch, or guide pin getting stuck, the mold dislacement detection system detects the abnormality and stops the machine immediately. Displacement or lifting of the mold can be detected by the electromagnetic coils that are built in the magnet core located near the center of clamp plate. When the mold moves, these electromagnetic coils detect an induction current signal.



- It is not equipped on Multi Mag Clamps.
- Moving parts on the mold displacement detection core may cause false detection. Pascal suggests to change the parts to non magnetic materials. Ask Pascal for details.



#### Moving platen



Standard model



Fixed platen



Moving platen



#### Slim model

The model about 10% more economical than the standard type



Fixed platen



### Circle Core magnetic clamp Standard model Clamping force 500 - 30,000 kN



#### Specifications

Model		MRA
Plate shape		Standard model
Clamping force	kN	7 per magnet core
Operating temperature	°C	0~120
Magnetic flux height	mm	20 (mold plate material SS400)
Plate thickness	mm	50
Power voltage		AC200 / 220 , 380 , 440 , 480V
Way of control		1BY1
Sensor		Mold displacement detection system (Fixed and moving platen)
Plate mounting method		Bolting with the standard and additional tap holes of machine platens

Operating temperature indicates the temperature on the surface of the clamp plate

Additional tap holes are necessary in the center of machine platen (Fixed and moving platen)

Polishing surface speciication can be selected

● See page → 52 to 59 for details of options

Clamp plate						Mold fall protection hook(optional)				
Model	Clamping force of IMM	Weight kg		Voltage capacity	Min. mold	Model	Eye bolt on mold		Max. Allowable load per hook	
	kN	Fixed platen side	Moving platen side	kVA	size mm	would	Size	Qty	ton	
MRA0050	$500 \sim 600$	82	88	10	300	MGR064	M12 ~ M24	2	0.40	
MRA0080	750 ~ 850	111	117		300	MGR065 MGR066				
MRA0100	1,000 ~ 1,200	131	136		305					
MRA0130	1,300 ~ 1,500	168	174		305					
MRA0180	1,600 ~ 1,900	214	217		425				1.70	
MRA0230	2,200 ~ 2,600	268	274		460					
MRA0280	2,800 ~ 3,000	326	332	20	485					
MRA0350	3,500 ~ 3,600	427	427	_	510	MGR082			3.03	
MRA0450	4,500	532	532	_	575	MGR102	M20 ~ M42 M24 ~ M48	_	4.80	
MRA0550	5,500	655	655		600					
MRA0650	6,500	747	734		660					
MRA0850	8,500	859	853	30	775			4		
MRA1050	10,000 ~ 10,500	1,161	1,154		830					
MRA1300	13,000	1,390	1,383		920					
MRA1600	14,000 ~ 16,000	1,390	1,383		1,160	MGR132			8.04	
MRA2000	18,000 ~ 20,000	2,017	1,980		1,185					
MRA2500	22,000 ~ 25,000	2,518	2,486	40	1,315	MGR162	M36 ~ M64		12.06	
MRA3000	28,000 ~ 30,000	2,517	2,497		1,460					

Reference value

• Capacity when 200/220VAC power voltage. Ask Pascal for 380, 440 and 480VAC.

- Reference value under normal production conditions, not guaranteed.
- The size of eye bolt on the mold is determined according to the size of the hook. Make sure that the allowable load of the eye bolt is greater than the mold weight.
- The number of eye bolts on mold side indicates one per mold (movable side & fixed side ).

# Circle Core magnetic clamp Slim model Clamping force 750 - 6,500 kN



#### Specifications

Model		MFA
Plate shape		Slim model
Clamping force	kN	7 per magnet core
Operating temperature	°C	0~120
Magnetic flux height	mm	20 (mold plate material SS400)
Plate thickness	mm	50
Power voltage		AC200 / 220 , 380 , 440 , 480V
Way of control		1BY1
Sensor		Mold displacement detection system (Fixed and moving platen)
Plate mounting method		Bolting with the standard and additional tap holes of machine platens

• Operating temperature indicates the temperature on the surface of the clamp plate

Additional tap holes are necessary in the center of machine platen (Fixed and moving platen)

Polishing surface speciication can be selected

● See page → 52 to 59 for details of options

Clamp plate						Mold fall protection hook(optional)			
Model	Clamping force of IMM	Weight kg		Voltage capacity	Min. mold size	Model	Eye bolt on mold		Max. Allowable load per hook
		Fixed platen side	Moving platen side	kVA	mm		Size	Qty	ton
MFA0080	750 ~ 850	87	93	20	300	MGR065 MGR066	M12 ~ M24	2	0.40
MFA0100	1,000 ~ 1,200	109	115		305				
MFA0130	1,300 ~ 1,500	135	141		305				
MFA0180	1,600 ~ 1,900	172	175		425				1.70
MFA0230	2,200 ~ 2,600	209	215		460				
MFA0280	2,800 ~ 3,000	256	261		485				
MFA0350	3,500 ~ 3,600	329	329		510	MGR082			3.03
MFA0450	4,500	410	400		575				
MFA0550	5,500	485	480	30	600	MGR102	$M20 \sim M42$		4.80
MFA0650	6,500	629	627		660				

Reference value

- Capacity when 200/220VAC power voltage. Ask Pascal for 380, 440 and 480VAC.
- Reference value under normal production conditions, not guaranteed.
- The size of the eye bolt on the mold is determined according to the size of the hook. Make sure that the allowable load of the eye bolt is greater than the mold weight.
- The number of eye bolts on mold side indicates one per mold (movable side & fixed side ).





Moving platen side

Fixed platen side

### Mag clamp introduction cost are significantly reduced by sharing the same controller.



Clamping operation



#### Multi controller

This is a cart-type operation panel that can be shared by multiple mag clamps. Move it to the mag clamp and perform clamping/unclamping operations.

The multi-controller purchased as the first unit can be shared by multiple molding machines, enabling automation of clamping with only the cost of a mag clamp plate. The significant reduction in installation cost makes this device ideal for users who have a large number of molding machines with infrequent mold changes.



3,500kN Injection Molding Machine

#### Standard model Clamp plate

The standard type has the same shape as the conventional Mag clamp and is suitable for horizontal molds.



model **MRA\_M** Clamping force 500 - 4,000kN

#### Slim model Clamp plate

The slim type has a simplified plate shape for cost reduction, which is best suited for when the horizontal width of the mold fits inside the tie bar.



model **MFA\_M** Clamping force 750 - 4,000kN

Model		M□A_M
Clamping force	kN	7 per magnet core
Operating temperature	°C	0~120
Magnetic flux height	mm	20 (mold plate material SS400)
Plate thickness	mm	50
Power voltage		AC200 / 220V
Way of control		Multi
Interlock		For Mold open/close feasible
Sensor		Proximity Switch (Fixed/Moving platen)
Clamp status		Indicator
Plate mounting method		Bolting with the standard and additional tap holes of machine platens

Operating temperature indicates the temperature on the surface of the clamp plate

Additional tap holes are necessary in the center of machine platen (Fixed and moving platen)

Polishing surface specification can be selected

● See page → 52 to 59 for details of options
### Gap detecting proximity switch (Standard)

When the mold is 0.2 mm or more away from the clamping plate (floating), the proximity switch turns off and the mold opening/closing operation of the molding machine is disabled. (This function differs from the conventional mold misalignment detection system. Please contact Pascal for details.)





# **Circle Core multi mag clamp**

### Indicator (Standard) PAT.

Clamp status(ON or OFF) is indicated mechanically



### Mold fall protection hook(option) model MGR

The protection hook with a easily adjustable chain (Optional)



### System configuration



Multi controller



Interlock box

Clamp plate for Fixed/Moving platen





Connect the one-touch connector to the clamp plate and operate the fixed/movable plates individually. Before using the clamp, connect the power supply and switch the keyswitch to "setup".

# **Circle Core multi mag clamp**

#### Multi controller



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Primary power cable outlet

Secondary power cable outlet

(to power source)

(to connector)

#### Interlock box



Before using the clamp, connect the power cable and switch the key switch to "setup". After use, return the key switch to "production" and remove the key before disconnecting the power cable. The signal between the devices shall be a zero potential contact.



Interlock signals (From interlock box to the machine)

Name of signals	Description		
Mold close feasible	Mold close operation is feasible at "ON" Mold close operation is disabled at "OFF"		
Mold open feasible	Mold open operation is feasible at "ON" Mold open operation is disabled at "OFF" ※ The signal must always be monitored by the machine.		

# Square Core Mag Clamp Plate thickness 50mm Clamping force 500 - 30,000 kN

For applications with high temperatures above 120°C select a Square Core Mag Clamp.



Moving platen



Moving platen



Fixed platen



Fixed platen





#### Specifications

Model		MG			
	70×70mm	7.35kN			
Clamping force (per magnet core)	75×75mm	7.84kN			
	115×115mm	15.68kN			
Operating temperature °C		$0\sim 80$ , $0\sim 150$ , $0\sim 180$			
Magnetic flux height mm		20 (mold plate material SS400)			
Power voltage		AC200 / 220 , 380 , 440 , 480V			
Applicable machine		For general Injection Molding Machine			
Sensor		Mold displacement detection system (Fixed and moving platen)			
Plate mounting method		Bolting with the standard and additional tap holes of machine platens			

• Operating temperature indicates the temperature on the surface of the clamp plate

Additional tap holes are necessary in the center of the machine platen (Fixed and moving platen)

Polishing surface and Nickel plating (Electroless) can be selected

● See page → 52 to 59 for details of options

Clamp plate							Mold fall protection hook(optional)			
	Clamping force	Plate Weight				Eye bolt on r	nold	Max. Allowable		
Model	of IMM kN	thickness mm	Fixed platen side	Moving	L//A	mold size	Model	Size	Qty	load per hook ton
MGA0050	$500 \sim 600$		80	85		240	MGR064			
MGA0080	750 ~ 850		107	116	15	260				0.40
MGA0100	1,000 ~ 1,200	-	127	131		280	MCDACE			
MGA0130	1,300	-	163	169	-	280	MGR065			
MGA0140	1,300	-	170	172	-	310				
MGA0150	1,400 ~ 1,600	-	171	177	30	310		M12 - M24		1.70
MGA0160	1,400 ~ 1,600	50	179	180		370		M12 ~ M24	2	
MGA0180	1,700 ~ 1,800		185	188		330				
MGA0190	1,700 ~ 1,800		199	209		370	MGR066		Z	
MGA0230	2,200 ~ 2,300		260	260	- 40	400		M16 ~ M30		
MGA0250	2,500 ~ 2,600		293	295		420				
MGA0280	2,800 ~ 3,000		315	320		440				
MGA0350	3,500 ~ 3,600		403	406	40	475	MGR082			3.03
MGA0450	4,500		523	529		565		M20 ~ M42		4.80
MGA0550	5,500		624	650		570				
MGA0650	6,500		786	787	_	635	MGR102			
MGA0850	8,500		846	850	45	710	NIGHT02	10120 * 0 10142		
MGA1050	10,000 ~ 10,500	50	1,201	1,205	45	790				
MGA1300	13,000	52	1,376	1,380		855				
MGA1600	14,000 ~ 16,000		1,428	1,434	80	970	MGR132	$M24 \sim M48$	4	8.04
MGA2000	18,000 ~ 20,000		2,017	1,980	80	1,000				
MGA2500	22,000 ~ 25,000		2,162	2,218	100	1,065	MGR162	M36 ~ M64		12.06
MGA3000	28,000 ~ 30,000		2,512	2,540	100	1,140				

Reference value

Capacity when 200/220VAC power voltage. Ask Pascal for 380, 440 and 480VAC.

- Reference value under normal production conditions, not guaranteed.
- The size of the eye bolt on the mold is determined according to the size of the hook. Make sure that the allowable load of the eye bolt is greater than the mold weight.
- The number of eye bolts on mold side indicates one per mold (movable side & fixed side ).



#### Specifications

Model		MG
	70×70mm	3.43kN
Clamping force (per magnet core)	75×75mm	2.45kN
	115×115mm	7.84kN
Operating temperature	°C	$0\sim 80$ , $0\sim 150$ , $0\sim 180$
Magnetic flux height mm		20 (mold plate material SS400)
Power voltage		AC200 / 220 , 380 , 440 , 480V
Applicable machine		For general Injection Molding Machine
Sensor		Mold displacement detection system (Fixed and moving platen)
Plate mounting method		Bolting with the standard and additional tap holes of machine platens

Operating temperature indicates the temperature on the surface of the clamp plate

Additional tap holes are necessary in the center of the machine platen (Fixed and moving platen)

Polishing surface and Nickel plating (Electroless) can be selected

See page → 52 to 59 for details of options

	Clamp plate							ll protection h	ook(	optional)
Madal	Clamping force	Plate thickness mm	Weight kg		Voltage Min.			Eye bolt on mold		Max. Allowable load per hook
Model	of IMM kN		Fixed platen side	woving	1.1/1	mold size mm	Model	Size	Qty	ton
MGA0020S	200	35	34	32	15	130				0.40
MGA0030S	300 ~ 350		46	48	15	200	200	M12 ~ M24 2		
MGA0050S	400 ~ 550		55	60		215	MGR064		2	
MGA0055S	400 ~ 550		55	60	30	225	MGR065 MGR066			
MGA0060S	600		58	63		240				
MGA0080S	750 ~ 800		73	79		290				
MGA0100S	1,000 ~ 1,100		87	91	40	300				
MGA0130S	1,200 ~ 1,300		111	116	40	330				
MGA0150S	1,400 ~ 1,500		120	123		370				1.70

Reference value

- Capacity when 200/220VAC power voltage. Ask Pascal for 380, 440 and 480VAC.
- Reference value under normal production conditions, not guaranteed.
- The size of eye bolt on the mold is determined according to the size of the hook. Make sure that the allowable load of the eye bolt is greater than the mold weight.
- The number of eye bolts on mold side indicates one per mold (movable side & fixed side ).



Moving platen side



Fixed platen side

## Square Core Mag Clamp the model for Vertical Molding machine



Mag clamps for vertical IMMs eliminate bolting jobs (temporary tightening, retightening) in the limited space of the machine and shortens set up time considerably.



No need to unify the mold sizes





# Square Core Mag Clamp the model for Multi-color machine

## Mold change with no work in the machine



6,000kN(600ton) Two-color IMM vertical loading Mag clamp

## Fixing by bolts

It takes a long time for operators to install / remove bolts many times in the narrow space of the machine.

Mold changing time:60min (250 ton class)





## Clamps instantly with magnetic force and does not require work in the machine.

#### Mold changing time:15min (250 ton class)

 Simply use the operation panel to clamp and unclamp the mold.



No work in the machine required.



Mold change complete in just 15 minutes.



A video of the mold change operation for a two-color IMM with a mag clamp is available on the Pascal web site.

Square Core Mag Clamp for Multi-color machine

## Additional safety measure for mold fall prevention

Mold fall protection hook with an easily adjustable chain





This magnetic clamp features a built-in DD sensor that checks the mold condition numerically. It can detect drops in clamping force due to a gaps or clearance between the mold and the plate that are caused by mold material that is difficult for the magnetic force to pass through.

#### Normal status

This display indicates when the mold size is proper for the system. It also ensures that there are no clearances and that the mold material and temperature are adequate.



#### Abnormal signal output (Indicated on the display)

An abnormal signal is detected when the clamping force drops to less than 80% due to a clearance.



The display indicates a lower value than usual if the clamp force decreases due to the mold material or temperature.

Cast iron, martensitic stainless and other materials Hot do not work well with magnetic force. Mold centering with a locate ring and leveling with the Die Leveler can be automated, which can reduce mold setup time.



The locate ring centers the mold and the Die Leveler pushes the mold to level it.



#### Mold change without locate rings

Simply place a mold on the Die Setter, and it horizontally and vertically positions the mold, improving setup.





Refer to the Die Setter catalog for details

### The Pascal Easy ejector rod makes ejector rod changes dramatically easier.

The ejector rod is equipped with a magnet at the joint between a fixed rod and a detachable rod, allowing the detachable rod to be attached and detached with a single touch.





Refer to the Easy Ejector Rod catalog for details

It prevents the miscoupling of temperature control piping for quick die change. Hoses are not scattered around the plant floor and machine area, keeping them tidy for easy maintenance.





Refer to the Valve Stand catalog for details



Mag Clamp & Die Changer for 30000kN Injection Molding Machine, Mold weight 30 tons, Max.3581kN clamp force (Fixed and moving platen total)

# Automatic Mold Change with Die Changers

Crane-less die change operations can be achieved by introducing a die changer.





Refer to the Die Changer catalog for details

## Circle Core • Square Core magnetic clamp System configuration

The system configuration is the same for Circle Core Mag Clamps and Square Core Mag Clamps.

### Mold change by overhead cranes



#### Mold Change with Die Changers



## <u>Control box</u>

 model EMG
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 R: Circle Core

 S: Square Core



Weight: 25  $\sim$  80 kg The diagram above denotes the dimensions of EMGD-A2J2.

#### Mounting bracket

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Wall mount type

 Self-standing type



# Mold change by overhead cranes System configuration



**Operation panel** 

model **ESMS-AE** 

1	LED lit	IMM at manual or mold-set mode
2	LED lit	IMM injection nozzle retracts
3	LED lit	IMM clamps the mold by platens
4	LED lit	IMM mold open disabled
(5)	LED lit	IMM mold close disabled
	(LED lit)	When mold displacement detection errors occur, the SCR unit is out of order.
6	(LED blinking)	If a cable is cut off, clamp ON/OFF conduction error happens (Current value decrease)
	(LED blinking)	Clamp abnormal for DD sensor (Magnetic flux decrease)
7	LED lit	Communication error between operation panel and control box
	LED lit	Mold change operation possible
8	LED lit off	Mold change operation disabled (due to lack of interlocking signals)
9	Molding	Mold change operation done
(y)	Change	During mold change operation
	LED lit	Clamp ON/OFF operation possible
10	LED blinking	Operation suspended
1)	(LED blinking)	Clamp abnormal for DD sensor (Magnetic flux decrease)



Weight: 0.6 kg

It can be mounted to the machine or the wall with the tap holes on the back.

(12)	LED lit	Mold moves on the clamp plate
(13)	LED blinking	Requires clamp operation again
_	Clamp O	N push botton
14) (15)	LED lit	Clamp ON complete
0	(LED blinking)	Clamp magnetizing
	Clamp O	FF push button
16 17	LED lit	Clamp OFF complete
	(LED blinking)	Clamp magnetizing

#### Mounting bracket



Wall mount type



### <u>Interface</u>



The interlock signals shall be transmitted by the way of zero potential contacts.

#### Injection Molding Machine → Clamp control box

Name of signals	Description
Mold-set mode	ON when machine operation mode at mold set
Nozzle retracted *1	ON when injection nozzle is retracted
Ejector retracted *1	ON when ejector is retracted
Mold clamped by platens	ON when mold is clamped by the machine platens in mold set mode, OFF when mold opens.
Safety door closed *1	ON when the machine safety door closed

\*1 The signal can be omitted by changing the setting in the control box.

#### Clamp control box → Injection Molding Machine

Name of signals	Description
Mold change	Mold changing (Operation panel selected mold change)
Mold close possible	A condition for IMM mold close
Mold open possible	A condition for IMM mold open
System error	This signal indicates abnormal clamping at the IMM
System OK (Signal ON when normal)	IMM stops immediately when clamp is abnormal (E-stop)

# Mold Change with Die Changers System configuration

**Operation panel** 



model ESMS-BE

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Weight: 0.6 kg

It can be mounted to the machine or the wall with the tap holes on the back.

1	LED lit	IMM at manual or mold-set mode
2	LED lit	IMM injection nozzle retracts
3	LED lit	IMM clamps the mold by platens
4	LED lit	IMM mold open disabled
(5)	LED lit	IMM mold close disabled
	LED lit	When mold displacement detection error occurs, SCR unit is out of order.
6	(LED blinking)	If a cable is cut off, clamp ON/OFF conduction error occurs (Current value decrease)
	(LED blinking)	Clamp abnormal for DD sensor (Magnetic flux decrease)
7	LED lit	Communication error between operation panel and control box
(8)	LED lit	Mold change operation possible
0	LED lit off	Mold change operation disabled (due to lack of interlocking signals)
	Molding	Mold change operation complete
9	Change	During mold change operation
	LED lit	Clamp ON/OFF operation possible
(10)	[LED blinking]	Operation suspended
1)	LED blinking;	Clamp abnormal for DD sensor (Magnetic flux decrease)

(12)	LED lit	Mold moves on the clamp plate
(13)	ED blinking	Requires clamp operation again
0	Clamp Ol	N push botton
14) (15)	LED lit	Clamp ON complete
	(LED blinking)	Clamp magnetizing
	Clamp Ol	N push botton
(16) (17)	(LED lit)	Clamp OFF complete
	LED blinking	Clamp magnetizing
(18)	LED lit	Mold in the machine
(10)	(LED lit off)	Mold not in the machine
	Mold pos	itioning ON push button
(19)	LED lit	Mold positioning pin dowelled
	(LED blinking)	Mold positioning pin dowelling
	Mold pos	itioning OFF push button
20	LED lit	Mold positioning pin released
	(LED blinking)	Mold positioning pin releasing

See page  $\rightarrow$  62 for bracket details

### <u>Interface</u>



The interlock signals shall be transmitted by the way of zero potential contacts.

#### Injection Molding Machine → Clamp control box

Name of signals	Description
Mold-set mode	ON when machine operation mode at mold set
Nozzle retracted *1	ON when injection nozzle is retracted
Ejector retracted *1	ON when ejector is retracted
Mold clamped by platens	ON when mold is clamped by the machine platens at mold set mode, OFF when mold opens.
Safety door closed *1	ON when the machine safety door closed

\*1 The signal can be omitted by changing the setting in the control box.

Name of signals	Description
Mold change	Mold changing (Operation panel selected mold change)
Mold close possible	A condition for IMM mold close
Mold open possible	A condition for IMM mold open
Machine daylight adjust (Mold thickness + 10mm)	The signal controls machine mold open operation (Mold thickness + 10mm)
System error	This signal indicates abnormal clamping at the IMM
System OK (Signal ON when normal)	IMM stops immediately when clamp is abnormal (E-stop)

#### Clamp control box → Injection Molding Machine

## **Caution in use**

# 🕂 Warning

## Keep away from the magnetic plate when it is magnetized.

- The Mag clamp generates powerful magnetic force. People with cardiac pacemakers are strictly prohibited from approaching the Mag Clamp. The projected height of magnetic flux above the clamp plate on the mold side is just around 20 mm. To avoid damage, do not to bring mobile phones, magnetic cards, compact discs, or any items that are susceptible to magnetism close to the clamp plate.
- Do not bring any magnetic substances such as ferrous metal close to the adhering surface when the Mag clamp is at clamping (Magnetized). Magnetic substances may be attracted to the clamp surface due to the magnetic force, resulting in injury to fingers or hands.

## Check point before molding operation

• Ejector setting errors can be critical as they can cause the mold to fall. A caution plate is provided for machine operators so that they can check the mounted position of the ejector pin, stroke, and displacement of the pin hole.





Check if the pin position is correct



Check if the pin stroke is correctly set

③ Misaligned pin holes



Check if the mold tilts

Recommended set values Thrust force: Less than the clamping force on moving platen Speed: 50mm/sec. or slower

### The surface of the mold plate and magnetic plate must always be clean. Wipe off when it is dirty and perform daily visual checks.

Water, oil, etc. adhering to the surface will not directly cause a decrease in clamping force, but it does make it easier for dust and foreign substances to adhere to the surface. If there are any dents on the surface, remove the convexity (bulge) using an oil stone or similar tool. Foreign substances and dents can cause the damage to the magnet plate.



Surface, Mangetic plate

Surface, Mold plate

## Be careful of mold plate deformation and thickness.

- Do not use a mold with a plate that is deformed or warped. Clamp force can decrease due to the gap between the mold plate and clamp plate.
- Use a mold plate with a thickness of 25 mm or more. The height of the magnetic force lines protruding toward the mold mounting plate is approximately 20 mm. If the mold plate is thinner than 25 mm, there is a risk of clamp force decreasing as well as sensor malfunction. If there is no restriction on mold thickness, a mounting plate thickness of 40 mm or more is recommended.
- In the rare case of a 3-plate mold, Pascal recommends increasing the mold plate thickness because magnetic force may affect the operation of the stripper plate.



The clamping force of the Mag clamp ( the adhering force of magnetic clamp ) varies according to the area size ( number of magnet cores ) where the mold plate and clamp plate are in contact. When loading a small mold of which mold plate does not contact all the magnet cores, the rated clamping force is determined by the calculation formula shown below. Refer to the following calculation example.



Example : Clamp plate model MGA0100 (movable side)

- 1. Magnet cores that the mold plate contacts with its entire area = 4 pcs
- 2. Magnet cores that the mold plate contacts with 1/2 of its area = 8 pcs
- 3. Total magnet cores that the mold plate contacts

 $= 4 \text{ pcs} + 8 \text{ pcs} \times 1/2 = 8 \text{ pcs}$ 

- 4. Clamping force per magnet core = 7.0 kN/pcs
- 5. Rated clamping force =  $7.0 \text{ kN/pcs} \times 8 \text{ pcs} = 56 \text{ kN}$
- If there is a hole or notch at the bottom of mold plate, deduct the respective area from the total contact area (number of magnet cores)
- The actual clamping force may be less than the rated force according to the conditions of mold plate. (Regarding to the decline of clamping force)

According to the mold plate conditions for the mold, the actual clamping force may become less than the rating. Before using a mag clamp, be certain to calculate and acknowledge the decline of clamping force referring to the tables and charts below. And be sure to use in the strict condition that the actual clamping force is greater than the mold opening force of the injection molding machine.

 $(Actual clamping force) = (Rated clamping force - Reduced force) \ge (Mold opening force of the injection molding machine)$ 

If the actual clamping force is not sufficient, replace the mold plate with a larger one to increase the contact area on the clamp plate.

Clamping force decreases according to the material of the mold plate. Also the mold plate that is made of S45C-H, SUJ and FCD600 material tends to be difficult to detach when demagnetized. This is due to the residual magnetic flux in the mold. A small clearance between the magnetic plate and mold plate will make it easiler to detach it.

Clamping force	100% (Rated value)	95%	85%	80%	70%
Material	SS400 S55C S45C-Н	S45C	SK3 SUJ	SUS430 FC250 FCD600	SKH51 SKD11

The clamping force declines according to the grade of surface roughness in contact with the mold plate and clamp plate.

Clamping force	100%(Rated value)	approx.100%	approx.90%
Surface roughness (Max. height and surface roughness Rz)	Rz 1.6 ∼ 3.8	Rz 7.5 ~ 15.5	Rz 85 ~ 150

A dent or deformation on the mold plate can create a gap between the mold and the clamp plate, which will decrease the clamping capacity significantly.

Clearance between two plates

 If the temperature of the mold plate becomes too hot, clamping force will significantly decrease. Clamp the mold when its mold plate temperature is below the operating temperature.



Clearance between two plates (mm)

Temperature of the mold plate



Temperature transmitted to the mold plate

## When using a heat insulating plate

Be careful of the position of the plate. The mag clamp cannot be operated depending on the position.

#### System operable





## About existing machine platens

 Make sure the surface of the platens will not interfere with the Mag clamp when installing it on an existing machine.

Dents or scratches



- If wide grooves, dents or scratches are found on the platens, the Mag clamp may become deformed and malfunction.
- Wide groove

Guide groove for the locate ring



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