

METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR APPLYING A SURFACTANT TO MOLD SURFACES

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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A method of and apparatus for employing a  
surfactant which is provided in order to assist in the  
5 release from each other of mold components of a multi-  
part mold employed in the molding of polymeric articles;  
for instance, such as a hydrophilic contact lens, upon  
completion of the molding process for the polymeric  
articles. The surfactant is applied in the form of a  
10 film or coating on surface portions of one of the mold  
components in order to facilitate the disengagement  
between the mold components during demolding, and the  
removal of excess polymeric molding material adhesively  
deposited on surfaces thereon.

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