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PP vs **PET** Bottle in 2-Stage RSBM

Traditionally, PET is used as an alternative of glass to produce cost effective & highly transparent container. However, with the sophisticated technology and accumulated experience of $\mathbf{w} \in \mathbf{T} \cup 2$ -stage stretch blow moulding machine, production of PP bottle become simple & stable even though the processing window of PP is very small. Considering lower bottle weight and safety issues compared to glass, hot-fillibility, sterilizability and also potential in weight reduction compared to PET, the market demand for PP container has been increasing rapidly.





PP resin can withstand temperature up to 95 -120 degree depending on the resin manufactures.

Resin Drying

There is no need of drying process for PP resin in preform production. Energy can be saved.

Moisture Barrier

PP bottle is superior to PET in its moisture barrier property. PP container is good at storing water sensitive contents (eg. Powder)

Resin Recycling

There are more applications for recycled PP resin than recycled PET resin.

Softness

PP is ideal for making squeezable bottle for seasoning products due to its elastic property.

Transparency

With the introduction of clarified additive, excellent optical property and transparency of PP bottle can be achieved.

Processing Window

PP has very small processing window, there are higher requirements for the PP preform and the reheat stretch blow moulding machine quality.

Preform Design

PP preform design and reliable preform mould are not easy to be found in the market.

Normal PET resin cannot withstand high temperature (e.g. > 60 degree). Otherwise, bottle will deform during hot filling.

PET resin has to be dried for 4-6 hours before preform production.

PET bottle is good for storing oxygen sensitive beverage compared with PP bottle.

It would be less convenient for resin recycling if bottle is made of PET while cap is made of PP.

PET has high strength but easily to be deformed under pressure.

PET is excellent in transparency compared to all plastic materials.

PET has relatively wide processing window, complex design of bottle or jar can be blown in ISBM process.

There are large amount of existing PET preform suppliers in the market.

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