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Faulkner Moulds wins UK 'Toolmaker of the Year' Award for the Third Time!



Faulkner Moulds is UK 'Toolmaker of the Year' for a third time, after winning a prestigious Plastics Industry Award in the 'Supplier Partnership: Toolmaker' category on Friday night.

Judges praised the Yorkshire-based plastic injection mould Toolmaker for their *"impressive diligence in ensuring the project's success"*, when they manufactured a complex 2+2 impression twin-shot tool for an oral medical device. Faulkner Moulds delivered the tool over a week ahead of deadline and it created sellable parts at the first trial – an extremely challenging achievement for twin-shot tooling.

Actor Shaun Williamson revealed the 16 winners of the 2019 Plastics Industry Awards, chosen by a panel of industry experts, at a black-tie event at the London Hilton on Park Lane on Friday 27 September.

Managing Director, Duncan Faulkner said, "This award-win is particularly meaningful to us as it is very much the team's achievement. The team handled the entire project successfully, with some general direction from me. It shows our focus on training our apprentices, and developing and empowering our whole team, is really paying off".

Faulkner Moulds used the precision of their machining technology to produce highly accurate shutoff faces and split lines, to within 2 to 5 microns, which eliminated the traditional manual fitting process.

Previously, two over-moulding tools had been used. Faulkner Moulds' new single, twin shot, high-volume production tool is guaranteed for 1 million cycles and is designed to double the production rate.

Faulkner Moulds' customer, Glen Wells, General Manager at St Davids Assemblies, said, "I was very impressed with Faulkner Moulds' thoroughness in terms of technical detail during the design process – it really stood out", adding that, "We had exceptional customer service throughout the whole project, and the support was second to none – we could not ask for more."

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