

Plastixs Becomes an Authorized Distributor for Barb-Tech™

How do you install push-lock fittings? Do you use brute force, push them on with a vice, or beat the fittings on a table?

These manual installation approaches are labor intensive, time consuming, and increase the risk of injury to the installer and possible damage to the fitting, hose, equipment and/or tools.

The [Barb-Tech™ PQD Push-Lock Assembly Tool](#) is a revolutionary tool that addresses the assembly of push-lock and quick disconnect (QD) hose fittings commonly used in the plastics injection molding industry and now available from Plastixs.

How the Barb-Tech PQD Tool Works

The Barb-Tech PQD tool is designed to work with push-lock style hoses, push-lock fittings and quick disconnect mold couplers for water and airline connections on your mold and machine. The PQD tool securely anchors the quick disconnect fitting on one side while gripping the push-lock hose on the other side and, with a few simple squeezes of the trigger, it pushes the fitting onto the hose, in seconds, with ease and precision.

The Barb-Tech PQD tool is sold as a kit with mandrels to hold straight and 90° quick disconnect mold fittings for 1/4", 3/8" and 1/2" hose sizes. An optional mandrel set for 45° quick disconnect mold fittings is also available.

The PQD tool is a lightweight, portable solution for push-lock hose assembly, allowing technicians to carry it with them wherever they go and have it readily available on the job site. The PQD tool decreases downtime, enabling you to build



push-lock hose assemblies right at the injection molding machine or in the tool room.

Why Plastixs Carries the Barb-Tech PQD Tool

According to Plastixs CEO, Mickey Blyskal, "Push-lock fittings are used by almost all injection molders and, until now, the existing tools for this application are difficult to use and not very portable. Also, the manual methods are labor intensive and could cause injury. Based on my 40 years of experience, using the Barb-Tech PQD tool is easily the best and quickest way to attach fittings to hoses, reducing the risk of injury and damage to the hose and fitting."



PQD Tool Overview Videos



Take the PUSH Out of Push-Lock

Now you can stop fighting with push-lock fittings, save time and preserve your knuckles with the [Barb-Tech PQD tool](#), available from Plastixs.

[Contact us](#) to learn more about how the PQD tool works and the value it can add to your operation.

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