INVESTMENT CASTING BASICS

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Investment Casting Basics introduces learners to the terminology, equipment, and processing steps associated with metal investment casting. Using animated demonstrations and other visual aids to break down complex concepts, the course aims to improve process knowledge for employees in investment casting foundries and in peripheral professions.



Learning Objectives

- Recognize the equipment, stations, or departments observed in most investment casting foundries.
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 angle$ Identify the basic components of an investment casting mold assembly.
- Ø Contrast the different investment casting methods.
- Ø Explain the basic investment casting processing steps.
- Recall the defects common to the investment casting process.

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