## **ADVANCED SURFACE TECHNOLOGIES**

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## **Electroless Nickel Plating**

AST specializes in **Electroless nickel plating** (EN Plating) services to extend the longevity of both miniature and large parts exposed to harsh environments. Components finished by our EN plating process have superior resistance to corrosion and rust. With EN plating, which does not involve the use of electric current, we uniformly plate nickel on a variety of substrates with complex geometries.

Our four decades of experience in the metal finishing industry allows us to offer unique solutions for a number of industries, such as oil & gas, solar, and automotive. From our rack and barrel processing line, we supply Electroless nickel plated components according to MIL-C-26074, AMS 2404, plus ASTM B-733 standards. We make use of different EN coatings and processes to offer custom solutions for your distinct finishing needs. Mid-phosphorus and high-phosphorous Electroless nickel coatings that we supply, are ideal for plating a range of metal substrates, including stainless steel, aluminum, copper, and brass. For eliminating sticking, or galling problems in metal components, you can choose from Pen-Tuf® (Electroless nickel coatings with PTFE) or BNEN™ (Electroless Nickel with co-deposited Boron Nitride).

We take into consideration a number of factors including formulation of the bath, phosphorous content, and both pre-plate as well as post-plate treatment techniques in our Electroless nickel plating processes. Regardless of the plating technique used, all our EN coatings have excellent deposit uniformity and corrosion resistance. As an environmentally aware job shop, we have formed extensive wastewater minimization programs for recycling hazardous waste rather than disposing them to the land.

## Capabilities

Types of Electroless Nickel Coatings	Electroless Nickel with Teflon High-Phosphorous Mid-Phosphorous PEN-TUF®: Electroless Nickel with co-deposited or infused PTFE BNEN™: Electroless Nickel with co-deposited Boron Nitride
Substrates	Aluminum Brass Copper Magnesium Stainless Steel
Certifications	ISO 9001 Certified
Standards Met	AMS 2404 ASTM B-733 MIL-C-26074
Plating Thickness	.0002"002"
Finish	Bright High-tech Low Friction Matte Semi-bright
Additional Capabilities	Heat Treatment (Hardness and Hydrogen embrittlement) Masking Parts Stripping Parts-Cleaning Plugging
EN Plating Advantages	Corrosion Resistance Improved Lubricity & Conductivity Different Magnetic Properties Light Absorption or Reflectivity Low coefficient of friction Solderability Uniformity of deposits, regardless of complex part geometries Wear Resistance
Plating Capabilities	Barrel Plating Lines Rack Plating Lines

## **Additional Information**

Selected Applications	Extruders Food Processing Machinery Heat Exchangers Pipe Fittings Printing Cylinders Pumps Shock Absorbers Valve Components
Selected Industries Served	Aerospace Automotive Communications Computer Electronics Household Appliances Medical Equipment Oil & Gas Equipment Pharmaceutical Recreational Equipment Solar Tool & Die
Quality System Features	Dedicated to company-wide continuous improvement In-house laboratory facilities XRF and AA
Environmental System Features	State-of-the-art, computer-controlled waste treatment system
Professional Associations and Awards	<ul> <li>Charter member of the Strategic Goals Program, a cooperative effort between the metal finishing industry and EPA</li> <li>National Association of Metal Finishers (NAMF)</li> <li>American Electroplaters and Surface Finishers Society (AESF)</li> <li>Recipient of the Colorado Environmental Leadership Award</li> </ul>
Service Features	A staff that understands the importance of quick response for our customers     Production scheduling and production flexibility that minimize turnaround time