

Tips on Using Mold Market™ Molds for CP/HP Soaps

- Using oil to grease molds may make CP stick more because the traced soap wants to grab onto the oils. When you get a new Mold Market mold, wash it in warm soapy water, rinse and dry with a soft towel and buff it.
- Use borax in the water before you add the lye. Add 2 tsp of Borax for every 6 oz of water, stir until it's dissolved and then add your lye to it. What this does is firm up the CP soap and makes releasing it a breeze.
- If the top part of the CP is hard and the bottom is mushy, you may not have had a full trace.
- If you are using Palm Oil as part of your recipe, stir the oil before scooping it out on your scale. Most soap makers do not know that the Oleic Fatty Acid in the Palm Oil will sink to the bottom of the container as the oil solidifies and the other fatty acids will float to the top. If the Palm Oil is just scooped out from the top of the container, you get a soft soap but as you get to the bottom of the container, you'll find you get a harder bar of soap because the Oleic Fatty Acid has sunk down. When using a 5 gallon bucket dig a hole down into the Palm Oil and start scooping the oil out from the bottom to the top so you have a mix of complete oil.
- If the CP sticks in the mold do not force it out; instead, put the whole mold into the freezer for 30 minutes, take it out and let the plastic mold come to room temperature which is about 2 minutes. Put a towel on the counter and turn the mold over on the towel, now put your fingers under the mold and gently pull the sides of the mold to allow air in and then with your thumbs on top of the mold, press as you go around the mold. You should see the air releasing it from the mold.