

rectilinear strip of substantial rigidity at ordinary temperatures from which such a part having a gradient color appearance may be produced, by bringing together into direct cohering engagement with the aid of heat, opposed surface portions of a rectilinearly-shaped base of light-transmittible plastic material of a given color and of substantial rigidity at ordinary temperatures, and a strip of a differently colored light-transmittible plastic material having an area of maximum thickness and diminishing in thickness from such area and for a major part of the width of such strip toward a longitudinal edge thereof.

15. The method of making plastic material parts, which comprises taking a light-transmittible composite, rectilinear strip of substantial rigidity at ordinary temperatures and composed of a base of light-transmittible plastic material of a given color to which is united a strip of a differently light-transmittible colored plastic material having an area of maximum thickness and diminishing in thickness from such area and for a major part of the width of such strip toward a longitudinal edge thereof, and advancing said composite strip into the field of action of cutting instrumentalities, and then in such field of action cutting parts from such composite strip in such manner that each of said parts has a gradient color appearance.

16. The method of making plastic material parts which comprises forming a light-transmittible composite, rectilinear strip of substantial rigidity at ordinary temperatures from which such a part having a gradient color appearance may be produced, by bringing together into direct cohering engagement with the aid of heat opposed surface portions of a rectilinearly-shaped base of light-transmittible plastic material of a given color and a strip of a differently colored plastic material capable of transmitting light and with its color uniformly distributed throughout its entire volume and having an area of maximum thickness and diminishing in thickness from such latter area and for a major part of the width of

such strip toward a longitudinal edge thereof, and controlling the thicknesses of said base and strip so that in said area of maximum thickness said composite strip is capable of transmitting light.

17. The method of making plastic material parts which comprises forming a light-transmittible composite, rectilinear strip of substantial rigidity at ordinary temperatures from which such a part having a gradient color appearance may be produced, by bringing together into direct cohering engagement with the aid of heat opposed surface portions of a rectilinearly-shaped base of light-transmittible plastic material of a given color and a differently colored plastic material capable of transmitting light and with its color uniformly distributed throughout its entire volume, and forming said differently colored plastic material to provide it with an area of maximum thickness and diminishing thickness from such area and for a major part of the width of such strip toward a longitudinal edge thereof and with outer surface portions disposed at an angle to underlying surface portions of said base material, and controlling the thicknesses of said base and strip so that in said area of maximum thickness said composite strip is capable of transmitting light.

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