## Tips On Blasting With Glass Abrasive

- You do NOT want a lot of abrasive in the air stream. The grains collide with themselves, lose energy, and hit your surface with less impact.
- Your goal is to not be able to see the abrasive in the air stream. If you can see it, meter back, as you have too much abrasive going through your hose.
- Start by purging your line so it is abrasive free. Then slowly open the feed until you can see the abrasive in the air stream. Then slowly close the feed until you can no longer see the abrasive in the air stream. This is what you want.
- If you have too little abrasive in the air stream, you will likely hear a high-pitched whistling sound. Start over and this time repeat the process slower so you can see when the abrasive is no longer visible in the air stream. Be Stingy! You will achieve better results with a lean supply.
- Move your nozzle faster than you normally would. Glass abrasive blasts very fast, very clean. You will be surprised how light and sharp it is, and how much feathering you get with it.
- Blasting hard mil scale will require using a finer grit size, as it cuts more like a knife than a hammer. This is why it is great for softer, elastomeric coatings that often bounce back heavier abrasives.
- Blast at 90 or 100 psi, or less. Higher pressure will be counterproductive due to how light glass abrasive is. You will simply shatter the glass rather than allow it to work for you.
- You can use a finer size than you would normally use.
- It is easy to waste glass because you do not require nearly as much in the airstream as with conventional abrasives.