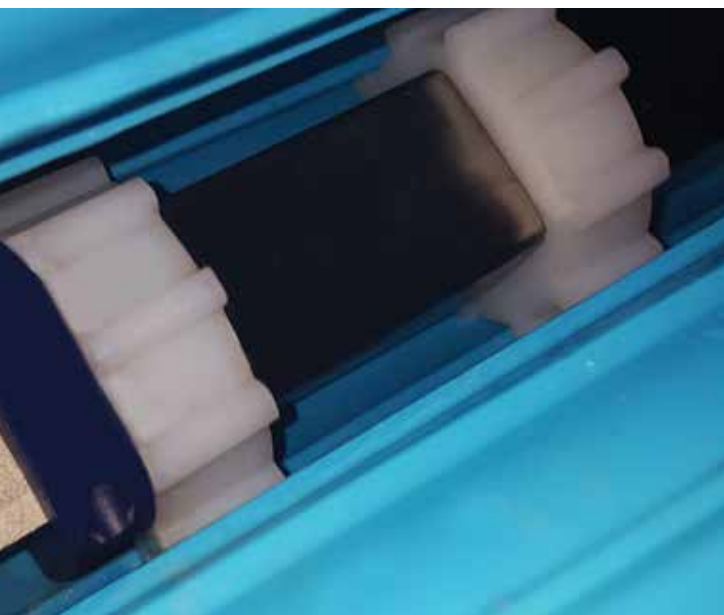




DualDrive™ and Mini DualDrive™

Technical Manual



The Next Step in Belting

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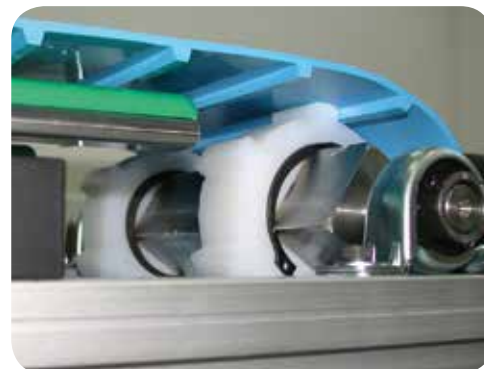
1. Introduction

DualDrive™ is a fully extruded positive drive belt featuring a smooth homogeneous character and integral teeth on the drive side which can act as built-in cleats.

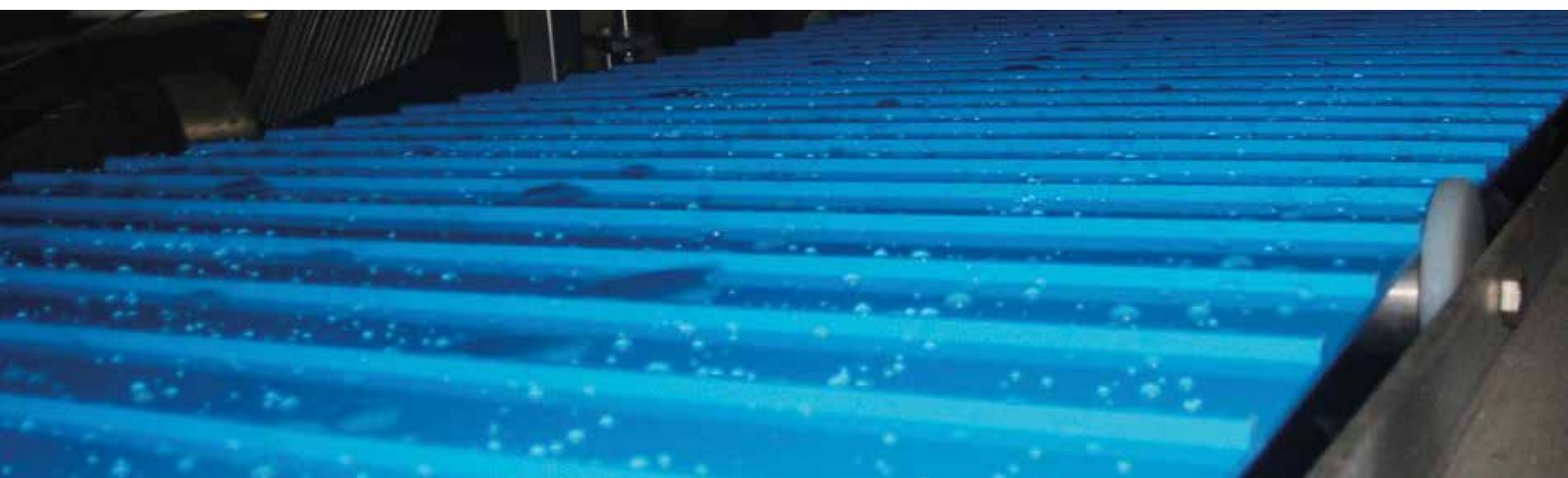
- When improved hygiene standards are needed, the DualDrive™ belt is ideal for replacing existing modular belts.
- DualDrive™ "M" material has a 2" pitch suited to some models of modular sprockets. Changing such a belt requires a minimal retrofit and new Volta sprockets are recommended in all cases.

Material Features

- Smooth homogenous non-porous surfaces prevent bacteria build-up resulting in maximum product shelf-life.
- No plies, edge fraying or modular components or hinges that can break apart and find their way into your final product.
- Non absorbent of water, oils or chemicals.
- Not absorbent of smells.
- Wide operating temperature range.
- FDA/USDA Equipment Acceptance.
- In compliance with USDA Dairy Equipment Review Guidelines.
- Declaration of Conformity in compliance with Declaration of Conformity in compliance with Food Contact Regulations:
- EU No.-10/2011 amended by 2017/752, 1935/2004 and 2023/2006 and FDA Art. 21. CFR.177.2600.
- Supports the HACCP concept.



DualDrive™ positive drive belts lower your water consumption, maintenance and sanitation costs while drastically boosting your production hygiene level.



Mechanical Benefits

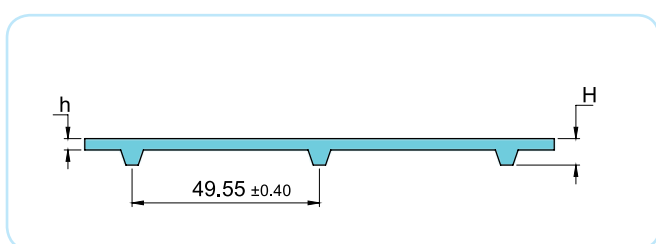
- Eliminates modular components that require extensive cleaning and lengthy soaking.
- Greatly reduces noise levels when compared to modular belting.
- Integrated teeth prevent slippage of the belt.
- No or little belt pretension, avoiding elongation and increasing belt life.
- Teeth are an integral part of the belt, eliminating breakages at weak points and increasing belt life.
- Easy to install and forms a strong base for quality heat welded and HF welded fabrications.
- Lightweight conveyor belt, cutting back on motor energy usage.

2. Technical Data - DualDrive™

‘H’ Material DualDrive™ Belts

The ‘H’ material DualDrive™ belts designed for higher temperatures and for harsh chemical conditions.

- ➔ **Material:** Volta HW, Beige/Volta HB, Blue
- ➔ **Shore Hardness:** 55D
- ➔ **Temperature Range :** -20°C to 75°C/-5°F to 170°F
- ➔ **Coefficient of Friction:** Steel: 0.40/Stainless Steel: 0.40/UHMW: 0.20
- ➔ **Certification:** FDA/USDA/USDA Dairy/ EU Approved



***h**= Belt Thickness, **H**=Belt Thickness + 4.30mm

Pitch Between Teeth : 49.55 ± 0.40mm

Standard Belt Width: 1524mm/60"

Table 2.a

Product	FHB-3-DD		FHB-4-DD	
Belt thickness (mm)	h=3, H=7.30		h=4, H=8.30	
Belt weight (kg/m ²)	4.50kg/m ²		5.33kg/m ²	
Belt weight (lb/ft ²)	0.92lb/ft ²		1.09lb/ft ²	
Minimum sprocket diameter Normal flex*	Temp ≥ 0°C/32°F	Temp < 0°C/32°F	Temp ≥ 0°C/32°F	Temp < 0°C/32°F
	126mm/4.96"	150mm/5.90"	176mm/6.93"	210mm/8.27"
Minimum sprocket diameter Back flex*	Temp ≥ 0°C/32°F	Temp < 0°C/32°F	Temp ≥ 0°C/32°F	Temp < 0°C/32°F
	189mm/7.44"	225mm/8.86"	264mm/10.39"	315mm/12.40"
Max. pull force (kg/cm width)	7		9	
Max. pull force (lb/in width)	39.20		50.40	

Important Note: 'H' Material DualDrive™ belts can only be driven with Volta sprockets.

Sprocket Guidelines & Fabrication Options

Table 2.b

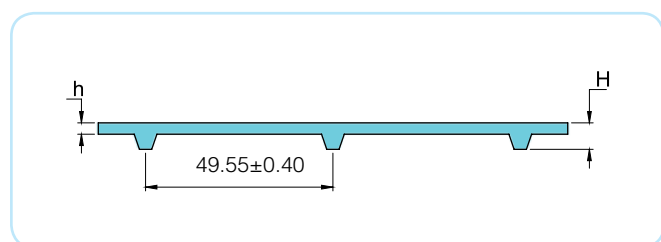
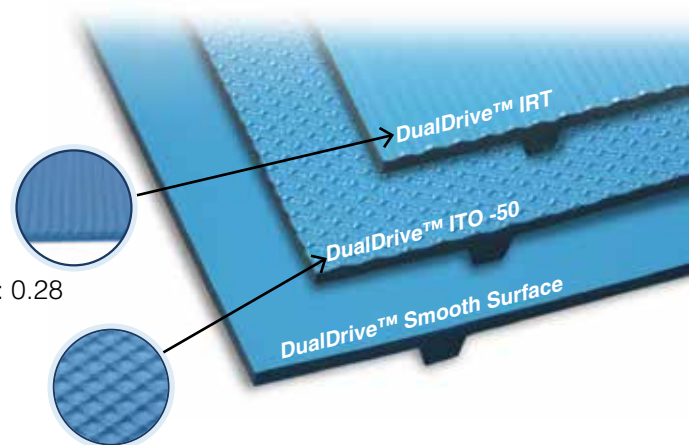
Belt Type	FHB-3-DD		FHB-4-DD	
Temperature	Temp 0°C/32°F	Temp < 0°C/32°F	Temp 0°C/32°F	Temp < 0°C/32°F
MPD Base Belt	126mm/4.96"	150mm/5.90"	176mm/6.93"	210mm/8.27"
Minimum Sprocket Diameter for V-Flights				
Electrode	158mm/6.22"	182mm/7.16"	191mm/7.52"	225mm/8.85"
VW/VWB 10	183mm/7.20"	207mm/8.15"	211mm/8.30"	245mm/9.64"
VW/VWB 13	203mm/7.99"	227mm/8.93"	236mm/9.29"	270mm/10.62"
VW/VWB 17	243mm/9.56"	267mm/10.51"	276mm/10.86"	310mm/12.20"
Minimum Sprocket Diameter for Electrode Welded Flights				
Single Electrode 7	183mm/7.20"	207mm/8.15"	216mm/8.50"	250mm/9.84"
Single Electrode 9	203mm/7.99"	227mm/8.93"	236mm/9.29"	270mm/10.62"
Double Electrode 7	218mm/8.58"	242mm/9.52"	251mm/9.88"	285mm/11.22"
Double Electrode 9	NR		NR	

Note: NR - Not Recommended.

- ➔ **Flights:** Should be welded between the teeth as indicated in the sketch on page 15. Can be welded over the teeth if they do not exceed the tooth width. Must not be welded next to the teeth as indicated in the sketch.
- ➔ When choosing the sprocket size, it must be equal to or larger than the minimum sprocket required.

'M' Material DualDrive™ Belts

- ➔ **Material:** Volta MW, Beige / Volta MB, Blue
- ➔ **Shore Hardness:** 53D
- ➔ **Temperature Range:** -20°C to 60°C/-5°F to 140°F
- ➔ **Coefficient of Friction:** Steel: 0.50/Stainless Steel: 0.50/UHMW: 0.28
- ➔ **Certification:** FDA/ USDA/ USDA Dairy/ EU Approved

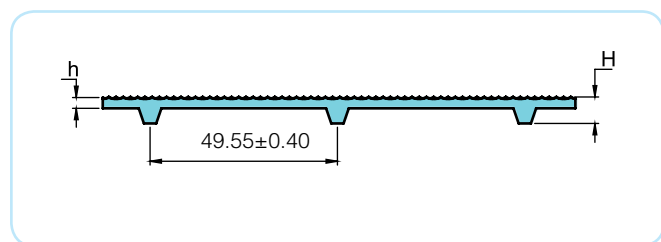


DualDrive™

*h= Belt Thickness, H=Belt Thickness + 4.30mm

Pitch Between Teeth: 49.55 ± 0.40mm

Standard Belt Width: 1524mm/60"

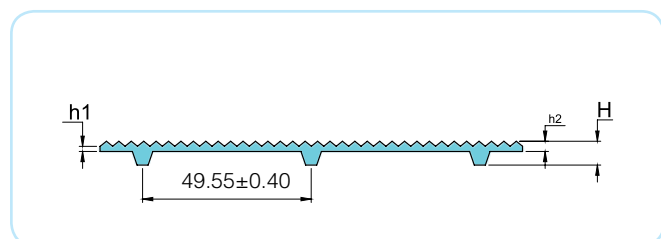


DualDrive™ ITO-50

*h= Belt Thickness, H=Belt Thickness + 4.30mm

Pitch Between Teeth: 49.55 ± 0.40mm

Standard Belt Width: 1524mm/60"



DualDrive™ IRT

*h1= Belt Thickness, h2=Belt Thickness + 0.70mm

H=Belt Thickness + 4.30mm

Pitch Between Teeth: 49.55 ± 0.40mm

Standard Belt Width: 1524mm/60"

Table 2.c

Product	FMB-3-DD/FMW-3-DD FMB-3-DD RAL5002	FMB-3-DD-ITO50	FMB-4-DD	FMB-4-DD-IRT
Belt Thickness (mm)	h=3, H=7.30	h=3, H=7.30	h=4, H=8.30	h1=3.30, h2=4, H=8.30
Belt weight (kg/m ²)	4.50kg/m ²	4.20kg/m ²	5.70kg/m ²	4.60kg/m ²
Belt weight (lb/ft ²)	0.92lb/ft ²	0.86lb/ft ²	1.16lb/ft ²	0.94lb/ft ²
Minimum sprocket diameter Normal flex*	80mm/3 1/4"		120mm/4 3/4"	100mm/4"
Minimum sprocket diameter Back flex*	100mm/4"		140mm/5 1/2"	120mm/4 3/4"
Max. pull force (kg/cm width)	6		7.70	6
Max. pull force (lb/in width)	33.60		43	33.60

Note: This belt can also be driven on existing modular belt sprocket sizes:

- 8 teeth, 5.2"/132mm
- 10 teeth, 6.5"/165mm.

Sprocket Guidelines & Fabrication Options

Table 2.d

Belt Type	FMB-3-DD/FMW-3-DD/FMB-3-DD-ITO50/FMB-3-DD RAL5002				FMB-4-DD			
MPD Base Belt	80mm		3.15"		120mm		4.72"	
Minimum Sprocket Diameter for V-Flights								
Electrode	120mm		4.72"		150mm		5.90"	
VLC/VLB-10	130mm		5.12"		170mm		6.70"	
VLC/VLB-13	140mm		5.51"		180mm		7.08"	
VLC/VLB-17	155mm		6.10"		195mm		7.68"	
Minimum Sprocket Diameter for Electrode Welded Flights								
Single Electrode 7	125mm		4.92"		150mm		5.90"	
Single Electrode 9	140mm		5.51"		165mm		6.50"	
Double Electrode 7	165mm		6.50"		190mm		7.48"	
Double Electrode 9	N.R.				N.R.			
Minimum Sprocket Diameter for High Frequency Welded Flights								
App. Temperature	Temp ≥ 0°C / 32°F		Temp < 0°C / 32°F		Temp ≥ 0°C / 32°F		Temp < 0°C / 32°F	
Flight 3 - 5mm	101mm	3.97"	151mm	5.94"	128mm	5.04"	180mm	7.09"
Flight 6 - 8mm	128mm	5.04"	180mm	7.09"	143mm	5.63"	200mm	7.87"
Minimum Sprocket Diameter for Based Sidewalls - Normal Flex								
SW-20	130mm		5.12"		145mm		5.70"	
SW-30	130mm		5.12"		145mm		5.70"	
SW-40	130mm		5.12"		145mm		5.70"	
SW-50	130mm		5.12"		145mm		5.70"	
SW-60	130mm		5.12"		145mm		5.70"	
SW-80	155mm		6.10"		155mm		6.10"	
SW-100	210mm		8.27"		210mm		8.27"	
Minimum Sprocket Diameter for Baseless Sidewalls (2mm thick)								
	Normal Flex		Back Flex		Normal Flex		Back Flex	
B-SW 30mm/1 "	80mm	3.15"	110mm	4.33"	120mm	4.72"	140mm	5.51"
B-SW 40mm/1.5"	90mm	3.54"	120mm	4.72"	120mm	4.72"	140mm	5.51"
B-SW 50mm/2"	100mm	3.94"	150mm	5.90"	120mm	4.72"	160mm	6.30"
B-SW 60mm/2.5"	110mm	4.33"	180mm	7.10"	120mm	4.72"	190mm	7.50"
B-SW 80mm/3"	130mm	5.12"	230mm	9.05"	130mm	5.12"	240mm	9.45"
B-SW 100mm/4"	160mm	6.30"	300mm	11.81"	160mm	6.30"	310mm	12.20"
B-SW 130mm/5 "	210mm	8.27"	400mm	15.75"	210mm	8.27"	420mm	16.53"
B-SW 150mm/6 "	250mm	9.84"	450mm	17.72"	250mm	9.84"	470mm	18.50"
Minimum Sprocket Diameter for Two Top Guides - (See also page 12)								
Guide Type	Normal Flex		Back Flex		Normal Flex		Back Flex	
VLB/VLC-13	152mm	5.89"	157mm	6.18"	194mm	7.64"	199mm	7.83"
VLB/VLC-17	178mm	7"	175mm	6.89"	218mm	8.58"	215mm	8.46"
VLB/VLC-22	220mm	8.66"	240mm	9.45"	262mm	10.31"	288mm	11.34"
CLB/CLC-13	130mm	5.11"	147mm	5.79"	172mm	6.77"	189mm	7.44"
CLB/CLC-17	146mm	5.74"	160mm	6.30"	186mm	7.32"	200mm	7.87"
CLB/CLC-22	170mm	6.69"	190mm	7.48"	212mm	8.35"	234mm	9.21"
VSB/VSC-13	132mm	5.19"	141mm	5.55"	174mm	6.85"	183mm	7.20"
VSB/VSC-17	145mm	5.70"	150mm	5.90"	185mm	7.28"	190mm	7.48"
VSB/VSC-22	165mm	6.50"	190mm	7.48"	205mm	8.07"	237mm	9.33"
CSB/CSC-13	116mm	4.57"	134mm	5.27"	158mm	6.22"	176mm	6.93"
CSB/CSC-17	124mm	4.88"	140mm	5.51"	164mm	6.45"	180mm	7.09"

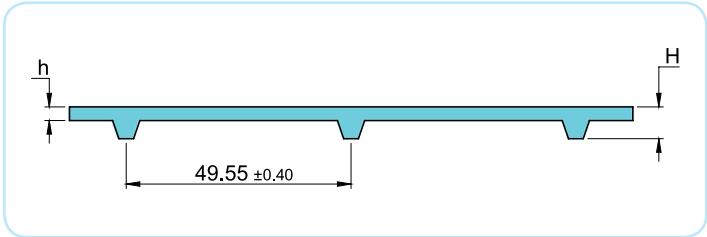
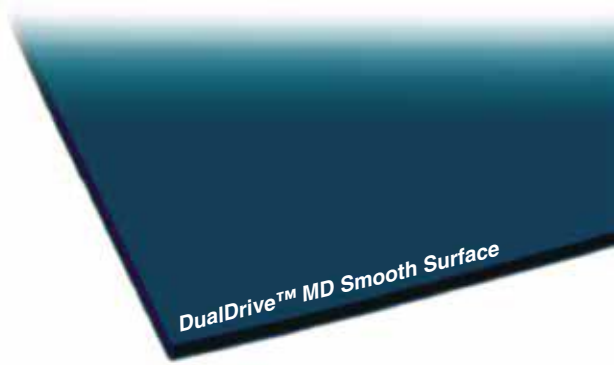
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- ➔ **Electrode Welded Flights:** We recommend welding the flights above the teeth location and flight thickness should not exceed the tooth base width.
- ➔ **Flights:** should be welded between the teeth as indicated in the sketch on page 15. Can be welded over the teeth if they do not exceed the tooth width. Must not be welded next to the teeth as indicated in the sketch.
- ➔ **Sprockets:** must be equal to, or larger than the minimum sprocket specification.

‘MD’ Metal & X-Ray Detectable Material DualDrive™ Belts

- ➔ **Material:** Volta MB MD, Blue
- ➔ **Shore Hardness:** 53D
- ➔ **Temperature Range:** -20°C to 60°C/-5°F to 140°F
- ➔ **Coefficient of Friction:** Steel: 0.5/Stainless Steel: 0.5/UHMW: 0.28
- ➔ **Certification:** FDA/USDA/EU Approved



***h=** Belt Thickness, **H=**Belt Thickness + 4.30mm
Pitch Between Teeth: 49.55 ± 0.40
Standard Belt Width: 1524mm/60"

Table 2.e

Product	FMB-3-DD MD
Belt Thickness (mm)	h=3, H=7.30
Belt weight (kg/m²)	4.80kg/m²
Belt weight (lb/ft²)	0.98lb/ft²
Minimum sprocket diameter Normal flex*	100mm/4"
Minimum sprocket diameter Back flex*	110mm/4.33"
Max. pull force (kg/cm width)	6
Max. pull force (lb/in width)	33.60

Note: *All inch sizes have been converted from metric sizes.

Sprocket Guidelines & Fabrication Options

Table 2.f




Belt Type	FMB-3-DD MD			
MPD Base Belt	100mm		4"	
	Minimum Sprocket Diameter for V-Flights			
Electrode	135mm		5.31"	
VLB-MD-10	145mm		5.70"	
VLB-MD-13	155mm		6.10"	
VLB-MD-17	170mm		6.70"	
	Minimum Sprocket Diameter for Electrode Welded Flat Flights			
Single Electrode 7	140mm		5.51"	
Single Electrode 9	150mm		6.10	
Double Electrode 7	180mm		7.08"	
Double Electrode 9	N.R.			
	Minimum Sprocket Diameter for High Frequency Welded Flat Flights			
App. Temperature	Temp ≥ 0°C/32° F		Temp < 0°C/32° F	
Flight 3 - 5mm	116mm	4.56"	165mm	6.50"
Flight 6 - 8mm	143mm	5.62"	195mm	7.67"
	Minimum Sprocket Diameter for Baseless Sidewalls (2mm thick)			
	Normal Flex		Back Flex	
B-SW 30mm/ 1"	110mm	4.33"	120mm	4.72"
B-SW 40mm/ 1.5"	110mm	4.33"	120mm	4.72"
B-SW 50mm/ 2"	110mm	4.33"	150mm	5.90"
B-SW 60mm/ 2.5"	110mm	4.33"	180mm	7.10"
B-SW 80mm/ 3"	130mm	5.12"	230mm	9.05"
B-SW 100mm/ 4"	160mm	6.30"	300mm	11.81"
B-SW 130mm/ 5"	210mm	8.27"	400mm	15.75"
B-SW 150mm/ 6"	250mm	9.84"	450mm	17.72"
	Minimum Sprocket Diameter for Two Top Guides - (See also page 12)			
Guide Type	Normal Flex		Back Flex	
VLB-MD-13	152mm	5.89"	157mm	6.18"
VLB-MD-17	178mm	7"	175mm	6.89"
VLB-MD-22	220mm	8.66"	240mm	9.45"

Note: NR - Not Recommended.

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 **Disclaimer:** Volta Belting Ltd. recommends testing all the products in your environment to ascertain suitability. The information is supplied in good faith without warranty.

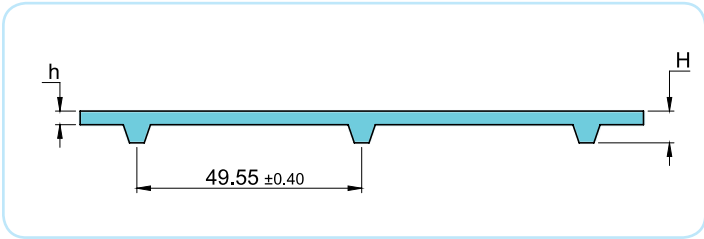
Guidelines and Suggested Materials for the Fabrication of FMB-3-DD/MD Belt

-  **Electrode Welded Flights:** We recommend welding the flights above the teeth location and flight thickness should not exceed the tooth base width.
-  **Flights:** should be welded between the teeth as indicated in the sketch on page 15. Can be welded over the teeth if they do not exceed the tooth width. Must not be welded next to the teeth as indicated in the sketch.
-  **Sprockets:** must be equal to, or larger than the minimum sprocket specification.

‘LT’ Low Temperature Material

DualDrive™ Belts

- ➔ **Material:** MB LT, Blue
- ➔ **Shore Hardness:** 95A/46D
- ➔ **Temperature Range:** -35°C to 35°C/-31°F to 95°F
- ➔ **Coefficient of Friction:** Steel: 0.55/Stainless Steel: 0.55/UHMW: 0.30
- ➔ **Certification:** FDA/USDA/EU Approved



***h=** Belt Thickness, **H=**Belt Thickness + 4.30mm
Pitch Between Teeth: 49.55 ± 0.40
Standard Belt Width: 1524mm/60"

Table 2.g

Product	FMB-3-DD LT	FMB-3-DD-LT ITO50
Belt Thickness (mm)	h=3, H=7.30	h=3, H=7.30
Belt weight (kg/m²)	4.50kg/m²	4.20kg/m²
Belt weight (lb/ft²)	0.92lb/ft²	0.86lb/ft²
Minimum sprocket diameter Normal flex*	80mm/3¼"	80mm/3¼"
Minimum sprocket diameter Back flex*	100mm/4"	100mm/4"
Max. pull force (kg/cm width)	3	3
Max. pull force (lb/in width)	16.80	16.80

Important Note: "LT" Low Temperature DualDrive™ belts can only be driven with Volta sprockets

Sprocket Guidelines & Fabrication Options

Table 2.h

Belt Type	FMB-3-DD-LT / FMB-3-DD- LT- ITO50			
MPD Base Belt	80mm		3.15"	
Minimum Sprocket Diameter for V-Flights				
Electrode	120mm		4.72"	
VLB/VLC/VLB-LT-10	130mm		5.12"	
VLB/VLC/VLB-LT-13	140mm		5.51"	
VLB/VLC/VLB-LT-17	155mm		6.10"	
Minimum Sprocket Diameter for High Frequency Welded Flights				
App. Temperature	Temp ≥ 0° C/32° F		Temp < 0° C/32° F	
Flight 3 - 5mm	101mm	3.97"	151mm	5.94"
Flight 6 - 8mm	128mm	5.04"	180mm	7.09"
Minimum Sprocket Diameter for Baseless Sidewalls (2mm thick)				
	Normal Flex		Back Flex	
B-SW-30mm/1 "	80mm	3.15"	110mm	4.33"
B-SW-40mm/1.50"	90mm	3.54"	120mm	4.72"
B-SW-50mm/2"	100mm	3.94"	150mm	5.90"
B-SW-60mm/2.50"	110mm	4.33"	180mm	7.10"
B-SW-80mm/3"	130mm	5.12"	230mm	9.05"
B-SW-100mm/4"	160mm	6.30"	300mm	11.81"
B-SW-130mm/5"	210mm	8.27"	400mm	15.75"
B-SW-150mm/6"	250mm	9.84"	450mm	17.72"
Minimum Sprocket Diameter for Two Top Guides - (See also page 12)				
Guide Type	Normal Flex		Back Flex	
VLB-LT/ VLB/VLC-13	152mm	5.89"	157mm	6.18"
VLB-LT/VLB/VLC-17	178mm	7"	175mm	6.89"
VLB-LT/VLB/VLC-22	220mm	8.66"	240mm	9.45"
CLB/CLC-13	130mm	5.11"	147mm	5.79"
CLB/CLC-17	146mm	5.74"	160mm	6.30"
CLB/CLC-22	170mm	6.69"	190mm	7.48"
VSB/VSC-13	132mm	5.19"	141mm	5.55"
VSB/VSC-17	145mm	5.70"	150mm	5.90"
VSB/VSC-22	165mm	6.50"	190mm	7.48"
CSB/CSC-13	116mm	4.57"	134mm	5.27"
CSB/CSC-17	124mm	4.88"	140mm	5.51"

Note: NR-Not Recommended.

All inch sizes have been converted from metric sizes.

Guidelines and Suggested Materials for the Fabrication of FMB-3-DD-LT Belt

- ➔ **Electrodes:** We do not recommend using electrodes for welding flights on these belts. The entire belt area around the welded electrode becomes rigid and flexibility is lost.
- ➔ **Flights:** It is recommended using LT material as preferred flight material. MB material is also acceptable but in this case you should make sure that the temperature of your application, including disinfection procedures, do not exceed the regular MB LT materials limit. Should be welded between the teeth as indicated in the sketch on page 15. Can be welded over the teeth if they do not exceed the tooth width. Must not be welded next to the teeth as indicated in the sketch. We only approve HF welding of flights on these LT belts.
- ➔ **Sidewalls:** It is possible to weld sidewalls from L material to the LT belts.
- ➔ **Endless Joining:** We recommend joining LT belts with a butt weld using FBW Tool.
- ➔ **Sprockets:** Must be equal to, or larger than the minimum sprocket specification.

Recommended Flights Welding Location

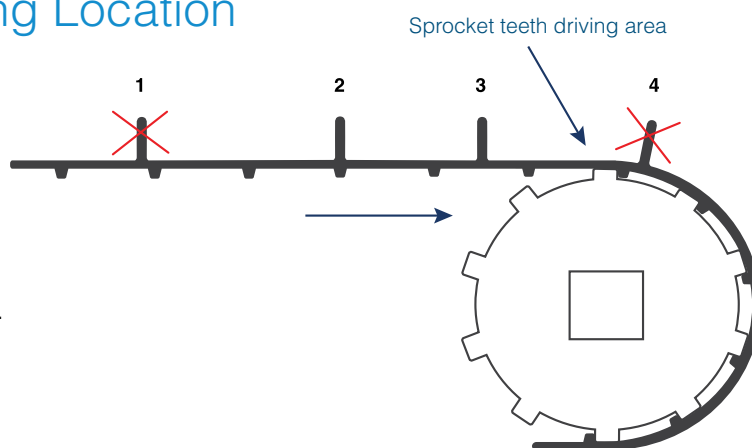
Locations 1&4 are not recommended because the flight is in line with the tooth engagement area. Locations 2&3 are recommended.

➔ **HF welding:** Location 3 is recommended.

Location 2 is optional.

➔ **Electrode welding:** Location 2 is recommended.

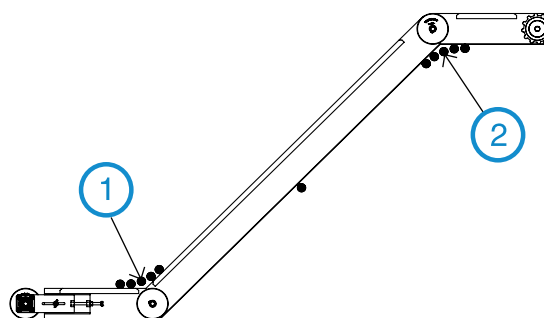
Location 3 is optional.



Minimum Sprocket Specifications for DualDrive™ ‘M’/‘LT’/‘MD’ Material Belts with Top Guides

For DualDrive™ belts with a width of 600mm or wider we recommend using guides on both upper edge sides of the belt. The belt guides sit in v-grooved rollers in the transition section of the conveyor. This is the recommended method.

- When using wide belts, it is very important to support the belt on the return side. Using cleats may cause excess sagging, and it may be necessary to make a center gap in the cleat to enable supporting the belt.



*Back flex location can be seen in positions ① and ②

Belt Type	DualDrive™ 3mm Thick Belts				DualDrive™ 4mm Thick Belts			
Guide Type	Normal Flex		Back Flex		Normal Flex		Back Flex	
VLB/VLC-13	152mm	5.89"	157mm	6.18"	194mm	7.64"	199mm	7.83"
VLB/VLC-17	178mm	7"	175mm	6.89"	218mm	8.58"	215mm	8.46"
VLB/VLC-22	220mm	8.66"	240mm	9.45"	262mm	10.31"	288mm	11.34"
CLB/CLC-13	130mm	5.11"	147mm	5.79"	172mm	6.77"	189mm	7.44"
CLB/CLC-17	146mm	5.74"	160mm	6.30"	186mm	7.32"	200mm	7.87"
CLB/CLC-22	170mm	6.69"	190mm	7.48"	212mm	8.35"	234mm	9.21"
VSB/VSC-13	132mm	5.19"	141mm	5.55"	174mm	6.85"	183mm	7.20"
VSB/VSC-17	145mm	5.70"	150mm	5.90"	185mm	7.28"	190mm	7.48"
VSB/VSC-22	165mm	6.50"	190mm	7.48"	205mm	8.07"	237mm	9.33"
CSB/CSC-13	116mm	4.57"	134mm	5.27"	158mm	6.22"	176mm	6.93"
CSB/CSC-17	124mm	4.88"	140mm	5.51"	164mm	6.45"	180mm	7.09"

Accessories

Volta Belting provides all the accessories required to operate the DualDrive™ belt.

Sprockets

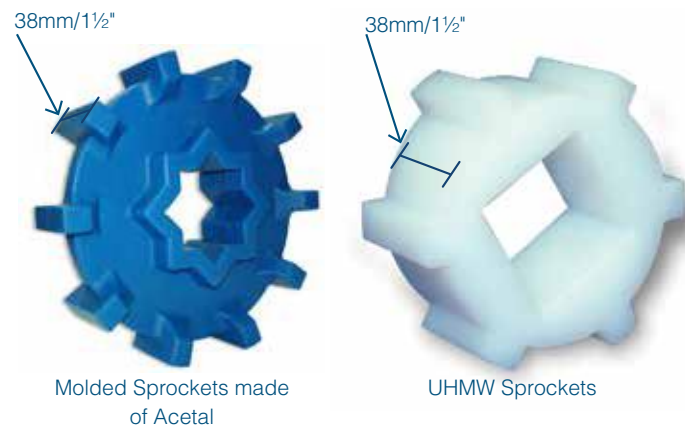
Volta Provides two types of Sprockets:

UHMW Sprockets:

- Ensures durability in high friction applications and long life
- Easy to clean

Molded Sprockets made of Acetal:

- Available in 8T and 10T dimensions
- Suits both to 40mm and 1.50" square bore shaft
- Easy to clean



DualDrive™ Sprockets

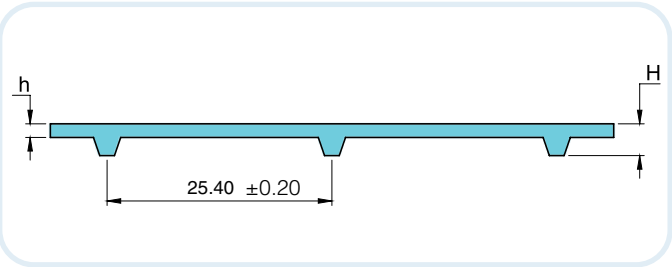
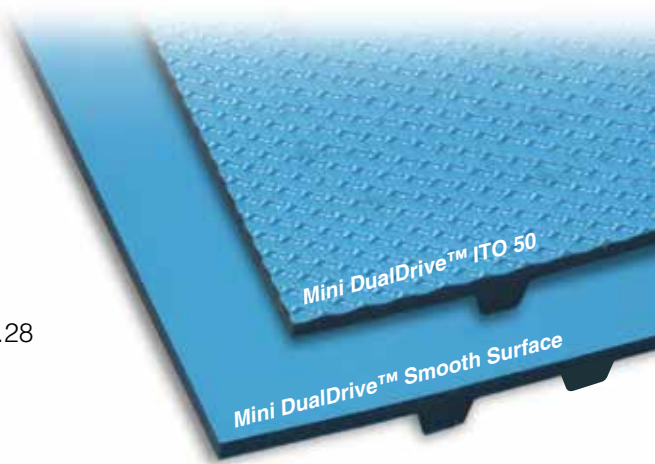
Number of Teeth	Sprocket Outer Diameter		Belt Pitch Diameter			
	3mm & 4mm Thick Belts		3mm Thick Belts		4mm Thick Belts	
	mm	inch	mm	inch	mm	inch
6	93.40	3.67	96.40	3.79	97.40	3.83
8*	125.60	4.94	128.60	5.06	129.60	5.10
10*	157.70	6.20	160.70	6.32	161.70	6.36
12	189.90	7.47	192.90	7.59	193.90	7.63

- ➔ Standard Sprocket Width=38+10mm/1½ +³/₁₆"
- ➔ Standard Square Bore Dimensions=40mm/1½"
- ➔ Non-Standard Round Bores are available upon request.
- ➔ Non-Standard Sprocket Diameters are available upon request.
- ➔ *Molded Sprockets constructed with "Star" bore: 40mm and 1½" combined together. Sprocket width 38mm/1½".
- ➔ Non-Standard Square Bore Dimensions, available upon request: • 25mm/1"; • 50mm/2"; • 2½".

3. Technical Data - Mini DualDrive™

‘M’ Mini DualDrive™ Belts

- ➔ **Material:** Volta MB, Blue
- ➔ **Shore Hardness:** 95A/46D
- ➔ **Temperature Range:** -20°C to 60°C/-5°F to 140°F
- ➔ **Coefficient of Friction:** Steel: 0.50/Stainless Steel: 0.50/UHMW: 0.28
- ➔ **Certification:** FDA/USDA/USDA Dairy/EU Approved



***h**=Belt Thickness, **H**=Belt Thickness + 3.50mm

Pitch Between Teeth: 25.40mm/1"
Standard Belt Width: 2032mm/80"

Product	FMB-2.5-MDD	FMB-2.5-MDD-ITO50
Belt Thickness (mm)	h=2.50, H=6	h=2.50, H=6
Belt weight (kg/m²)	3.70kg/m²	3.17kg/m²
Belt weight (lb/ft²)	0.76lb/ft²	0.65lb/ft²
Minimum sprocket diameter Normal flex	48mm/1.89"	48mm/1.89"
Minimum sprocket diameter Back flex	65mm/2.56"	65mm/2.56"
Max. pull force (kg/cm width)	4	4
Max. pull force (lb/in width)	22.40	22.40

Sprocket Guidelines & Fabrication Options

Belt Type	FMB-2.5-MDD/FMB-2.5-MDD-ITO50	
MPD Base Belt	48mm/1.89"	
Minimum Sprocket for Flat High Frequency Welded Cleats		
App. Temperature	T ≥ 0°C/32°F	T<0°C/32°F
Cleats 3-4mm	80mm/3.15"	120mm/4.70"
Minimum Sprocket Diameter for Two Top Guides - (See also page 16)		
	Normal Flex	Back Flex
VLB/VL-8	100mm/4.00"	105mm/4.13"
VLB/VLC-10	106mm/4.17"	110mm/4.33"
VLB/VLC-13	113mm/4.45"	115mm/4.53"
CLB/CLC-13	87mm/3.43"	100mm/4.00"
CLB/CLC-17	92mm/3.62"	105mm/4.13"
VSB/VSC-8	81mm/3.19"	90mm/3.54"
VSB/VSC-10	87mm/3.43"	95mm/3.74"
VSB/VSC-13	94mm/3.70"	100mm/4.00"
CSB/CSC-10	73mm/2.87"	87mm/3.43"
CSB/CSC-13	79mm/3.11"	93mm/3.66"

Note: Contact Volta Belting representative for further details regarding Mini DualDrive™ belt.

*All inch sizes have been converted from metric sizes.

➔ **Cleats:** Cleats positioning: Cleat welding position is recommended to be above the belt tooth as indicated in the sketch.

It is also possible to weld in between the teeth centers.

Maximum cleat thickness: 4mm.

Maximum cleat height: 60mm.

➔ **Sidewalls:** Contact Volta Belting representative.

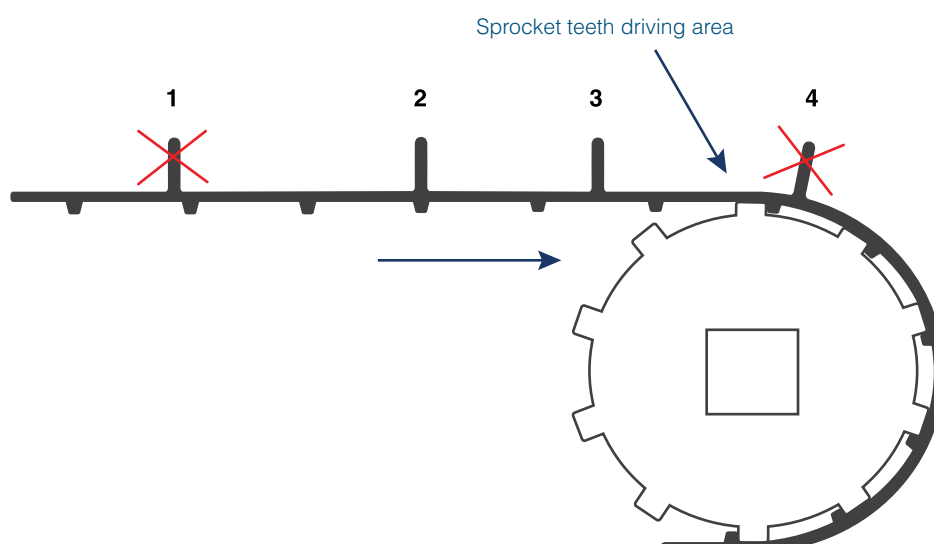
Recommended Flights Welding Location

➔ **HF welding:** location 2 is recommended; Location 3 is optional.

➔ **Electrode welding:** Is NOT recommended.

Locations 1&4 are not recommended because the flight is in line with the tooth engagement area.

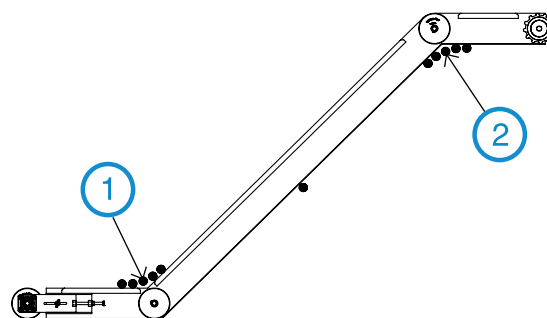
Note: In location 2, it is essential that the cleat and weld widths do not exceed the width of the belt tooth.



Minimum Sprocket Specifications for Mini DualDrive™ Belts with Top Guides

- For Mini DualDrive™ belts with a width of 450mm or wider, we recommend using guides on both upper edge sides of the belt. The belt guides go through the v-grooved rollers in the transition section to hold the belt. This is the recommended method.
- When using wide belts, it is very important to support the belt on the return side. Using cleats may cause excess sagging and it may be necessary to make a center gap in the cleat to enable supporting the belt.

Belt Type	Mini DualDrive™ FMB-2.5-MDD	
Guide Type	Normal Flex	Back Flex
VLB/VL-8	100mm/4.00"	105mm/4.13"
VLB/VLC-10	106mm/4.17"	110mm/4.33"
VLB/VLC-13	113mm/4.45"	115mm/4.53"
CLB/CLC-13	87mm/3.43"	100mm/4.00"
CLB/CLC-17	92mm/3.62"	105mm/4.13"
VSB/VSC-8	81mm/3.19"	90mm/3.54"
VSB/VSC-10	87mm/3.43"	95mm/3.74"
VSB/VSC-13	94mm/3.70"	100mm/4.00"
CSB/CSC-10	73mm/2.87"	87mm/3.43"
CSB/CSC-13	79mm/3.11"	93mm/3.66"



*Back flex location can be seen in positions ① and ②

Mini DualDrive™ Sprocket Specifications

Number of Teeth	6		8		10		12		19	
Measurement	mm	inch	mm	inch	mm	inch	mm	inch	mm	inch
Sprocket Outer Diameter	48	1.89	65	2.56	80	3.15	96.50	3.80	154.30	6.07
Belt Pitch Diameter	50.50	1.98	67.5	2.65	82.50	3.24	99	3.89	156.80	6.17
Special Smooth Tail Sprockets	-	-	-	-	-	-	88.70	3.49	-	-
Standard Bore Size (Square)*	20	3/4	25	1	40	1.50	40	1.5	40	1.5
Special Round Bore Diameter**	25	1	25	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Max. Possible Square Bore Diameter	20	3/4	25	1	40	1.50	50	2	-	-
Max. Possible Round Bore Diameter	25	1	38	1.50	50	2	65	2.50	-	-
Sprocket Width	25	1	25	1	25	1	25	1	100	4
Sprocket Locking Device	Retainer Ring						Volta Locking Collar or Retainer Ring			

Note: * Non-Standard Square Bores (See Pg. 18) are available upon request: 3/4"-20mm; 1"-25mm; 2"-50mm; 2.5" 65mm.

** Round Bore Sprockets (with keyway) are made from Acetal.

- ➔ Standard Sprocket Width=25mm/1"
- ➔ Standard Square Bore Dimensions=40mm/1½"
- ➔ Smooth Sprockets / rollers may be used on the tail side when sprocket diameter is larger than 3"/76.2mm
- ➔ Sprockets for center drive conveyors =19 Teeth =154.30mm/6.07" available upon request.



MDD Sprocket

4. Securing Sprockets

Sprocket Bore Description

The DualDrive™ sprockets are available in two standard square bore dimensions 1.50" & 40mm.

Sprocket bore dimensions should be chosen according to the load on the shaft to avoid shaft deflection and to transmit the required torque.

Volta supplies other bore dimensions according to your requirements (25mm, 50mm, 1", 2", 2.50"). Please contact Volta for availability.

Locking Collars

Square Stainless Steel Locking Collar is made of two parts of stainless steel wire with lock bolts. This system can be assembled without dismantling the shaft and can be used with all sprocket types on 1½" (40mm) square shafts.

Square Plastic Locking Collar (UHMW) is made of two plastic parts that locked with two bolts. The collar can be assembled without dismantling the shaft. It can be used with sprockets that have 12 or more teeth and are available in 1½"/40mm, 2" and 2.50" DualDrive™ sprockets.

Locking Collar face width=20mm.

Some collars can be ordered with round corner bores.

Round Plastic Locking Collar (UHMW) is suitable for DualDrive™ 8 teeth and Mini DualDrive™ 12 teeth sprockets and larger. The shaft can be dismantled in order to assemble this locking collar. The collar can be ordered in 1½"/40mm.

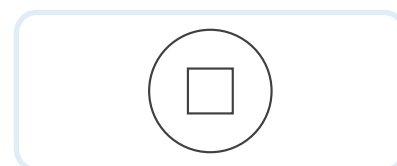
Locking Collar face width=20mm.

Some collars can be ordered with round corner bores.

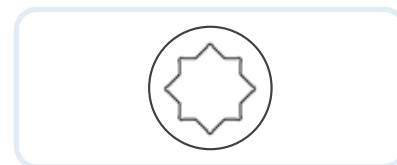
"C" Ring - Use a "C" ring on both sides of the sprocket. Machine a groove suitable for the thickness of the "C" ring you are using. This method of securing the pulleys is standard with modular belting.

Additional Options for Securing DualDrive™ Sprockets

Volta offers two options for those customers who prefer to use a different method of securing the sprockets to the shaft. We recommend checking with your engineering department regarding the effects this will have on your conveyor shafts. Volta does not supply materials for this procedure nor is responsible for damage or weakening of the shaft when using one of these options.



UHMW Sprocket with Square Bore



Molded Sprocket Bore Pattern Star Bore



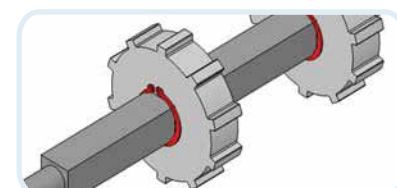
Square Stainless Steel Locking Collar



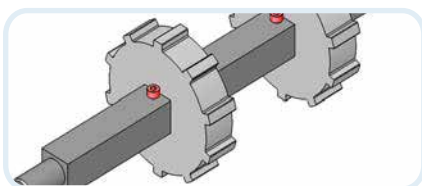
Square Plastic (UHMW) Locking Collar



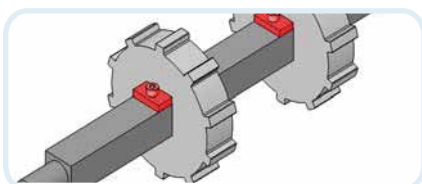
Round Plastic (UHMW) Locking Collar



"C" Ring





1. Drill and thread a hole at either end of the sprocket. Mount an Allen screw in each hole to secure the sprocket.



2. Mount a small piece of flat metal on either end of the sprocket. Drill and thread a hole in the shaft and mount an Allen screw to secure the metal plates.

Locking Collars

Sprocket Outside Diameter	DualDrive™ Sprocket Description	Plastic Round Collar	Plastic Square Collar	Plastic Square Collar	Stainless Steel Collar	Stainless Steel Collar	"C" Ring
							
		Bore size 1.50"/40mm Face Width - 20mm/0.78"	Bore size 1.50"/40mm Face Width - 20mm/0.78"	Bore size 2"/50mm Face Width - 20mm/0.78"	Bore size 1.50"/40mm	Bore size 2"/50mm	Circlip
3.81"/93.50mm	DD Sprocket 6T 40mm				√		471-56
	DD Sprocket 6T 1.50"				√		471-55
	DD Sprocket 6T Round Bore 25mm						471-25
4.94"/125.60mm	DD Sprocket 8T 40mm	√			√		471-56
	DD Sprocket 8T 1.50"	√			√		471-55
	DD Sprocket 8T Round Bore 25mm						471-25
6.21"/157.70mm	DD Sprocket 10T Round Bore 1"						471-36
	DD Sprocket 10T 40mm	√	√		√		471-56
	DD Sprocket 10T 1.50"	√	√		√		471-55
	DD Sprocket 10T 2.0 "			√		√	
	DD Sprocket 10T Round Bore 25mm						471-25
7.48"/190mm	DD Sprocket 12T 40mm	√	√		√		471-56
	DD Sprocket 12T 50mm			√		√	
	DD Sprocket 12T 1.50"	√	√		√		471-55
	DD Sprocket 12T 2.0 "			√		√	
	DD Sprocket 12T 2.50"						
Sprocket Outside Diameter	Mini DualDrive™ Sprocket Description	Plastic Round Collar	Plastic Square Collar	Stainless Steel Collar		"C" Ring	
							
		Bore size 1.50"/40mm Face Width - 20mm/0.78"	Bore size 1.50"/40mm Face Width - 20mm/0.78"	Bore size 1.50"/40mm		Circlip	
1.89"/48mm	MDD Sprocket 6T Round Bore 1"					471-36	
	MDD Sprocket 6T Round Bore 25mm					471-25	
	MDD Sprocket 6T Square Bore 3/4 "					471-26	
	MDD Sprocket 6T Square Bore 20mm					471-27	
2.56"/65mm	MDD Sprocket 8T Round Bore 1"					471-36	
	MDD Sprocket 8T Round Bore 25mm					471-25	
	MDD Sprocket 8T Square Bore 1 "					471-36	
	MDD Sprocket 8T Square Bore 25mm					471-25	
3.15"/80mm	MDD Sprocket 10T Round Bore 1"					471-36	
	MDD Sprocket 10T Round Bore 25mm					471-25	
	MDD Sprocket 10T Square Bore 1.50"					471-55	
	MDD Sprocket 10T Square Bore 40mm					471-56	
3.80"/96.5mm	MDD Sprocket 12T Square Bore 1.50"	√		√		471-55	
	MDD Sprocket 12T Square Bore 40mm	√		√		471-56	
6.08"/154.3mm	MDD Sprocket 19T Square Bore 1.50"	√	√	√		471-55	
	MDD Sprocket 19T Square Bore 40mm	√	√	√		471-56	

Note: Some collars made of plastic (UHMW) material can be ordered with round corner bores.

5. Motorized Pulley

A motorized pulley (drum motor) is an assembly with a motor, gearbox and shaft sealed inside a metal shell. The motor transmits power through the gearbox, which is coupled to a geared rim fixed to the drum end housing. The sealed casing makes the assembly impervious as well as resistant to liquids in process as well as to high pressure cleaning.

An added benefit when using a motorized pulley in conjunction with DualDrive™ is that this forms a completely hygienic conveying system that is easily cleaned.

Volta cooperates with the major motorized pulley manufacturers to develop toothed outer rings on the drums that correspond to the Volta Positive Drive pulleys including those for DualDrive™ and Mini DualDrive™.

Drum motors with a sprocket ring fabricated from UHMW will allow the same correct operation with all Volta Positive Drive belts as per the given belt specifications loads, temperatures, humidity and speed.

Please contact your local Volta Belting representative for more information.

6. Conveyor Construction

Classic Conveyor Construction

The classic conveyor construction consists of the following parts:

- Volta Drive Sprockets mounted on the Drive end.
- Smooth rollers (or discs) mounted on the Tail end.
- Slide Bed made of UHMW strips.
- Take-up Device (Tensioner).
- Return Rollers.
- Snub Rollers.
- Many conveyors are designed with cantilevered shafts to enable the quick removal of an endless belt.
- In order to minimize friction we highly recommend using UHMW at all contact points.



If stainless steel is required to be used, please remember the relatively high friction between the two surfaces will affect performance and tracking of the belt. Please contact your Volta representative for construction recommendations.

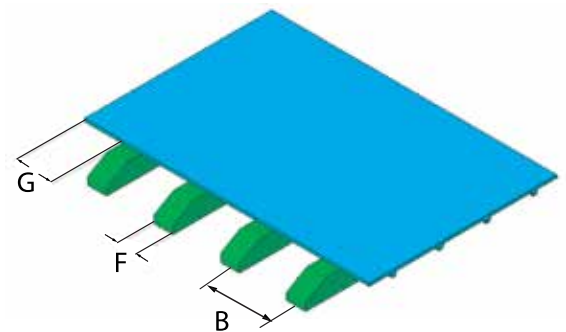
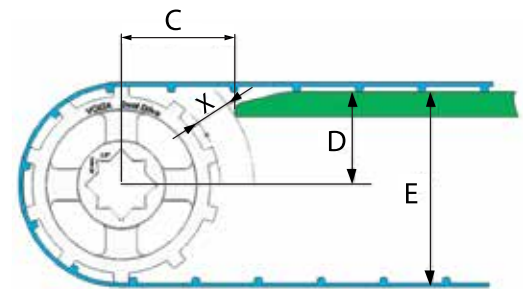
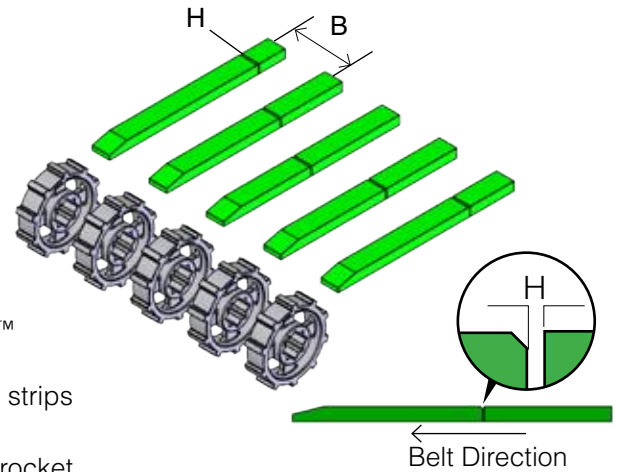
- ❗ Prior to installation on a conveyor, the belt path should be thoroughly examined, on the slide bed, around the sprockets and on the belt return, to ensure that all these areas are free from catch points that can snag the belt. This includes any side wall or other extraneous areas where the belt might come into contact during normal use due to minimal sideways movement. All the contact areas (slide bed, sprockets and return supports) must be chamfered and/or rounded to avoid any sharp edges from grooving or scratching the belt surface (top and bottom) when loaded and moving.

Suggested Conveyor Slide Bed Construction with UHMW Strips

When placing the DualDrive™ or Mini DualDrive™ Sprockets make sure the sprockets' teeth are arranged in a position matching each other and properly aligned along the shaft.

Note: It is important to support the DualDrive™ and the Mini DualDrive™ material properly. Many conveyors originally built to run modular belts have fewer supports because the modular product is laterally more rigid. Sufficient support of DualDrive™ and Mini DualDrive™ is essential in order to avoid distortion and wear.

- B. Distance between Support Strips: 75-150mm (3"-6"). Add strips depending on product size and weight, and for higher loads.
- C. The distance of the front edge of the slide strip from the sprocket depends on the cross section of the slide strip and the slide strip supports. Dimension 'C' should be kept to a minimum but still leaving dimension 'X' with a minimum of 20mm.
- D. Distance between Drive sprocket Centre and Strip Surface:
DualDrive™: Half of the drive sprocket diameter minus 4.30mm ($\frac{1}{8}$ ").
Mini DualDrive™: Half of the drive sprocket diameter minus 3.50mm.
- E. Distance between Slide Bed Surface and Return Bed Surface at 180° contact engagement between the belt and sprocket:
DualDrive™: Drive sprocket diameter plus belt thickness minus 4.30mm ($\frac{1}{8}$ ").
Mini DualDrive™: Drive sprocket diameter plus belt thickness minus 3.50mm ($\frac{1}{8}$ ").
- F. Strip width: 25-50mm (1"-2").
- G. Maximum distance between the belt edges and strip: 50mm (2").
- H. Allow gap "H" between rails for thermal expansion; Note rail ends chamfered. Strip section ends are staggered to reduce belt catch point of driving teeth while passing over the strips joint area.
 - Ensure belt does not come in contact with any sharp edges, including all UHMW components and strips.
 - Chamfer strips in-feed and out-feed ends.



Sprocket Spacing

- ➔ Distance between DualDrive™ sprocket centers should be between 75mm to 150mm (3" to 6") according to the belt pull force.
- ➔ In case of DualDrive™ if the applied pull force will be higher than 35% of the maximum allowed pull force, then the distance between the sprockets should be not more than 100mm (4"). For pull force higher than 50%, consider to reduce the distance to 75mm (3").
- ➔ Distance between Mini-DualDrive™ sprocket centers should be between 75mm to 100mm (3" to 4") according to the belt pull force.
- ➔ In case of Mini-DualDrive™ if the applied pull force will be higher than 35% of the maximum allowed pull force, then the distance between the sprockets should be not more than 75mm/3".
- ➔ Minimum number of sprockets: 2.
- ➔ Confirm there is no depression of the belt between sprockets. If depression occurs, add sprockets reducing the distance between the sprocket centers.
- ➔ Sprocket location should be in line with the conveyor bed strips.

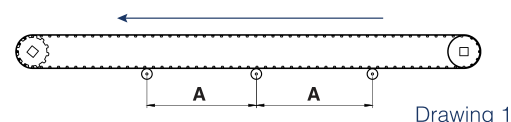
How to Drive the Belt

Belt are driven by first ensuring that the belt drive teeth are engaged with the drive sprocket. This is achieved by one or more of the following methods:

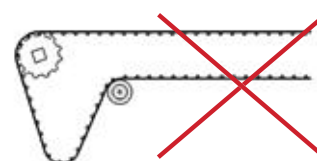
- Minimal pre-tensioning (up to 0.50%);
- Controlling the catenary sag by means of a suitable return way design;
- With a snub roller.

The design should prevent belt slack occurring where the belt wraps around the drive sprocket in order to ensure that the belt teeth do not disengage during operation (See Drawing 2). One must ensure a consistent arc of contact.

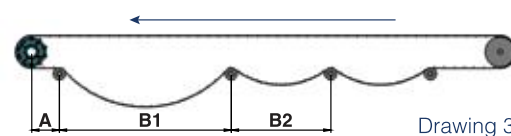
Pre-tensioning, drawing 1, supports most of the applications and conveyor designs as long as the loads are not on the high end of the belt specifications. The use of return idlers design to control catenary sag as shown in drawing 3, and the use of a snub roller adjacent to the sprocket, as an alternative or additional measure, is commonplace in conveyor design. One or more of these features is essential in applications where the belt length is expected to vary due to one of the following situations: a high product load; a wide temperature range; a relatively long conveyor.



Drawing 1



Drawing 2



Drawing 3

Take-up Device and Quick Release



The Take-up Device performs a number of functions on the conveyor. It enables the use of minimal, measured pre-tensioning; it facilitates the mounting and disassembly of the belt and it enables the use of extra belt length to simplify belt splicing.

The length of belt take-up allowed by a belt quick release take up device and its construction depend on the conveyor length, the cleaning method and the overall conveyor structure. Volta recommends using a minimum take-up of at least 5-8 inches (125-200mm) in any case. A Quick Release mechanism added to the take-up device means that a belt is returned to the same level of tensioning when released and repositioned for cleaning or conveyor maintenance. The

picture shows the take-up device in the open position. The belt may be lifted to provide easy and effective access to the underside of the belt as well as the guides and sprockets, for cleaning. After cleaning has been completed, the quick release take-up device can be re-engaged in order to return the belt to its correct pre-tension and alignment without additional adjustments.

Return-Ways

Return roller design is shown in drawing 3: Volta recommends a maximum distance between rollers of 1.5 meters (5 ft). Note that if a belt is pre-tensioned (up to 0.5% as noted above), the belt could sag due to its own weight. Take great care not to over-tension the belt. For longer conveyors with multiple catenary sags, we recommend to vary the support roller spacings. The spaces between rollers should be of equal length to reduce oscillation of the belt on the return way. A loaded belt is likely to have extra sag and one should ensure that there is no sagging directly under the drive which will cause the belt to disengage. In addition, ensure that any sag is not long enough to encroach on conveyor elements, extraneous structures such as collecting pans, or the floor.

Channeling the belt sag by correct spacing of return rollers. Return rollers should be spaced to allow for belt accumulation to occur in a specific location or locations (catenary sag). The belt will tend to sag in the larger spacings on the return (B1; B2). On a decline conveyor, the sag can be expected to accumulate at the lower end. Smaller spacing seen at position "A", relatively to B1/B2, will help avoid sagging under the drive sprocket.

Snub Rollers

Snub Rollers are widely used to increase the arc of contact on the drive sprocket, eliminating slack which can cause the drive teeth to disengage ("jumping"). Safety precautions must be taken to prevent access to the area where the snub roller is located.

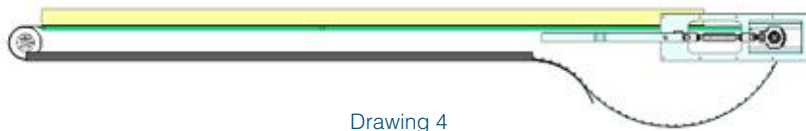
Return Rails' Design

Return rails are a possible design option although rollers (idlers) are the preferred option. A belt will rub on return rails and this increased friction is a potential cause of wear on the belt work surface. Plan an area for the belt to sag and accumulate any extra length due to one or more of the following; high loads, a wide temperature range; relatively long conveyors. To permit a section of belt to sag, the return rails should not support the belt on the entire return way from drive to end idler shaft.

It is important to plan a large radius at the end of the rails where the belt is allowed to sag as shown in drawing 4. Shoes (non-rotating elements) can be used in place of return rollers but must be made from UHMW as they are a cause of increased friction.

When using continuous rails, the lateral center distance between each rail should not exceed 12"/305mm and the outer edges should not be indented by more than 2"/50mm. In order to minimize the friction UHMW material is highly recommended.

For belts with flights consider to split the flight for belts 24"/610mm and wider. Keep a gap of at least 1/4"/6mm between the rails and the flights.

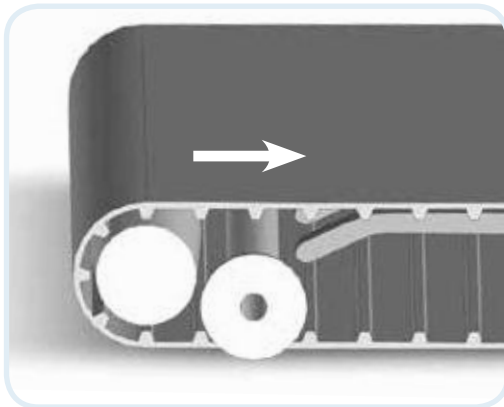


Drawing 4

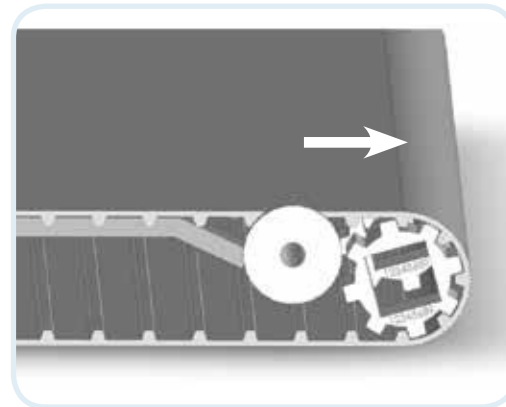
Containment of DualDrive™ Belting

The tracking of a DualDrive™ belt differs from standard flat belts that require tensioning or steering and from modular belts where the sprockets track the belt.

As DualDrive™ belts run without or with low pre-tensioning it is possible to contain the belt rather than track or guide it. The 2 steps required to achieve containment are:



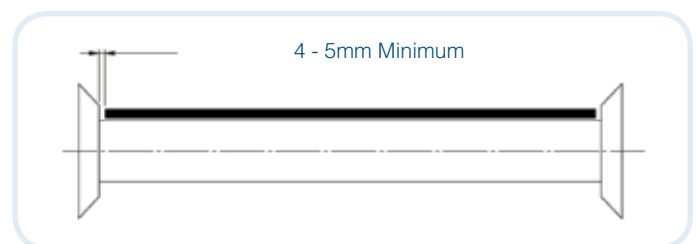
1. Flanged rollers on the return way.



2. Flanged rollers before the drive side

- ➔ The roller and flanges should be wider than the belt and have clearance of at least 0.15–0.20"/4-5mm each side of the belt.

Another option is to use containment blocks (side shoes) which are used on the frame of the conveyor. In order to minimize friction it is essential to use UHMW in these contact points.

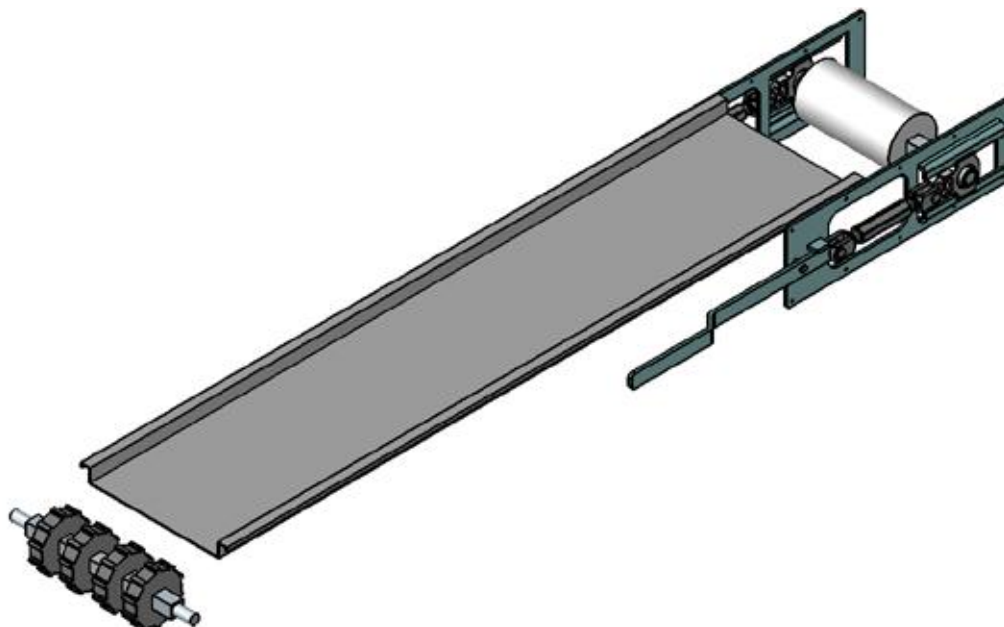


Conveyor Retrofit

Retrofit of Conveyor with a Flat Slide Bed

1. Flat Slide Bed

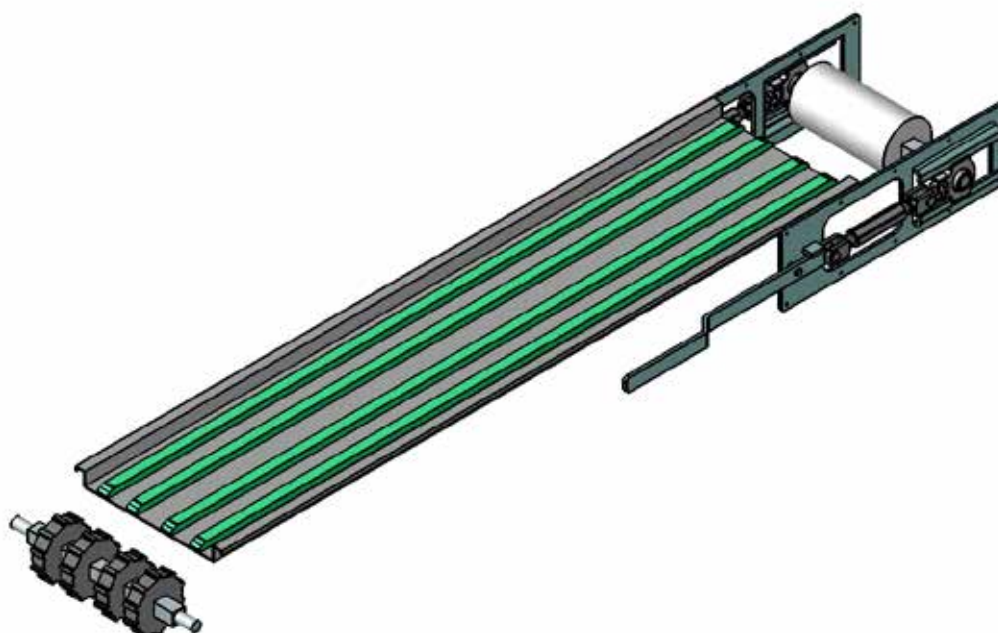
The teeth can ride on the flat Slide Bed without affecting the belt operation. This construction is not recommended with 'M', 'MD' & 'LT' material belts.



2. Slide Bed with UHMW Strips

Slide Bed as seen in accompanying drawing is the most recommended type, especially for 'M', 'MD' & 'LT' material belt applications. The UHMW strips reduce the coefficient of friction between the belt and the Slide Bed.

This increases the carrying capacity of the belt. In this case, it may be necessary to raise the position of the drive and tail sprockets.



"Z" or Swan-neck Conveyor Construction

The "Z" or Swan-neck conveyor is in common use for lifting product. DualDrive™ is suited to this type of conveyor for several reasons:

- The DualDrive™ and the MDD material are relatively stiff across the entire belt width and will not bend in the middle at the transition from a horizontal to an angled position.
- The DualDrive™ and the MDD operate without or with low pre-tensioning. Therefore, the challenge of holding the belt in place is far easier.

The position change (from horizontal to angle) can be made as for regular belts by using a roller or a set of small rollers (see drawing below).

UHMW Strip Bed Construction

Figure 1

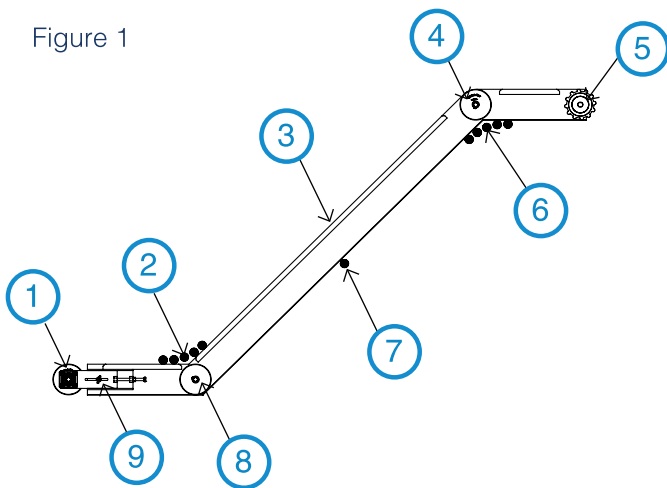


Figure 1. Demonstrates a typical Z - elevator conveyor construction showing a Slide Bed made from UHMW .

In transition areas (2 & 4) – the belt will tend to rub against the conveyor's curved construction, thereby creating an area of high tension strain and friction. Therefore, it is very important to use rollers at these two transition points to minimize the strain and friction.

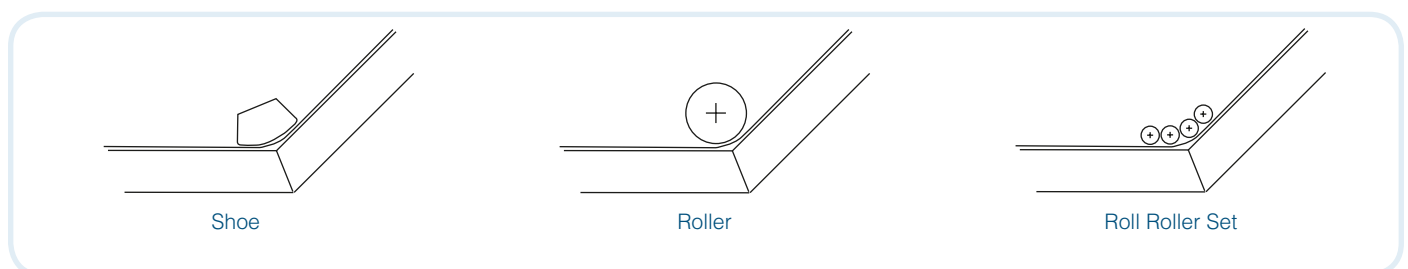
1. Tail sprockets
2. Roller Set: Transition Horizontal to Incline
3. Incline UHMW Slide Bed
4. Top Roller: Transition Incline to Horizontal
5. Drive sprockets
6. Roller Set: Return transition horizontal to decline
7. Return Support Roller
8. Bottom Roller: Return transition decline to horizontal
9. Take-up Device (Tensioner) for tail sprocket

There are 3 typical options for the transition areas

Shoe - this option is acceptable only when using H type belts and they must be made of UHMW.

Roller - one large roller.

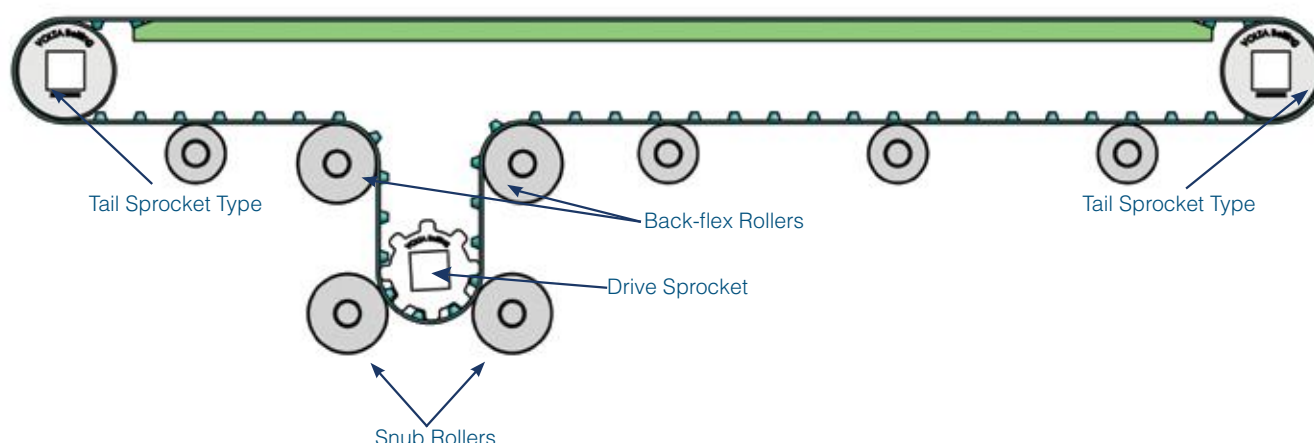
Roller sets consisting of 3-4 rollers.



Swan-neck conveyor - transition rollers/ shoe (direction change) options

- The belt curve should be the maximum possible size and not less than the minimum sprocket back flex value of the specific belt with its fabrications. The bigger the curve, the less wear and tear. It is easiest to apply the roller set to larger curves.
- Avoid using a shoe system with 'M' material belts, heavy loads or long conveyors.
- For DualDrive™ belts with a width of 600mm or wider and Mini DualDrive™ belts with a width of 450mm or wider, we recommend using guides on both upper edge sides of the belt. The belt guides pass through the v-grooved rollers in the transition section to hold the belt. This is the recommended method.
- The V-groove of the rollers should be machined large enough so as not to contact BOTH the base belt and the V guide.
- When using wide belts, it is very important to support the belt on the return side. Using flights may cause excess sagging and it may be necessary to make a center gap in the flight to enable supporting the belt.

Center Drive Conveyor



This conveyor is used in two typical applications:

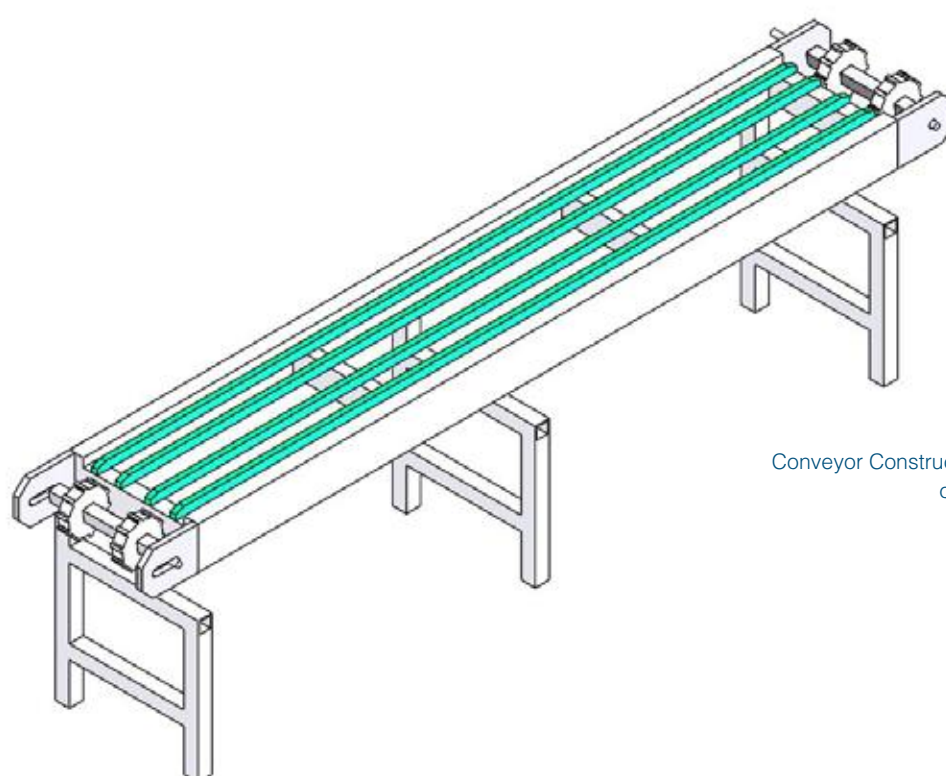
- One option is when the drive sprocket is large, the tail sprockets can be much smaller within the limitations of the minimum sprocket diameter of the base belt making the conveyor most suitable for tight transition of products. Only the drive shaft should be fitted with sprocket and all other shafts should have smooth rollers
- Another option is when the conveyor works in two directions. In this case you would need two snub rollers to ensure smooth operation. In most cases, snub rollers are placed both before and after the drive sprocket, positioned tightly against the drive sprocket on both sides. This ensures smooth operation when the belt is running in both directions

Removing the Belt for Cleaning

There are a number of options in the conveyor construction that allow the belt to be removed from the conveyor without being opened.

These common features are:

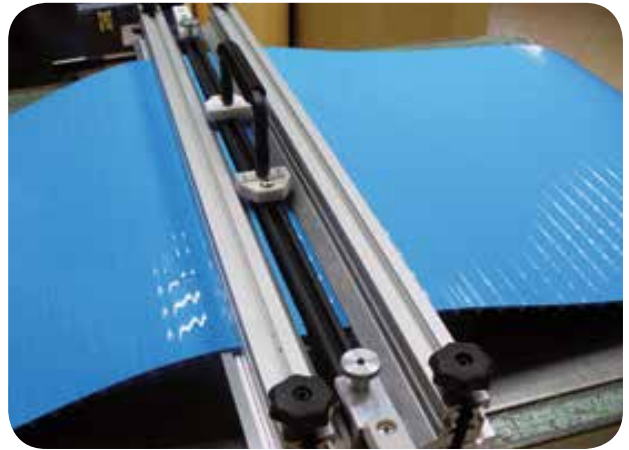
- Take-up Device (Tensioner) - This device permits the release of belt tension.
- Hinge Lace or Mechanical Fastener can be used to open the belt for cleaning and maintenance



Conveyor Construction for quick dismounting of the belt

7. Splicing the DualDrive™ and the Mini DualDrive™

The DualDrive™ and the Mini DualDrive™ conveyor belt is manufactured with a series of teeth as an integral part of the belt. These teeth are designed to mesh with the teeth on the DualDrive™ and the Mini DualDrive™ drive sprockets. To ensure efficient performance, it is necessary to maintain the spacing between the teeth in the region of the weld. We recommend using Volta Tools for this procedure. These tools are designed for use with all of our belts and materials. They are also designed to maintain the correct spacing between the teeth on the DualDrive™ and the Mini DualDrive™ belt.



FBW PD & Mini - Flat Butt Welding

The FBW PD&MiniSystem was created to butt-weld the belts making them endless. The FBW Welding System can be used for flat belts, SuperDrive™, 1" Pitch belts (Mini SuperDrive™ & Mini DualDrive™) DualDrive™. Adapters are available for welding DualDrive™ SP and special textured top flat belts. The FBW tool range offers maximum splicing width up to 2300mm (90.5").



FT - Electrode Welding Kit FBW PD & Mini - Flat Butt Welding

For the FT Welding System extruded electrodes are used for endless splicing Volta flat belts and SuperDrive™, 1" Pitch belts (Mini SuperDrive™ & Mini DualDrive™) DualDrive™ and DualDrive™ SP. The FT Welding System uses a router to cut the angle on the belt edges and to trim the weld on completion. The weld is carried out by using a Leister Hot Air Gun and Volta electrodes. When joining up to 2mm thick belts, use the 7mm section electrode and for a belt thicker than 2mm, the 9mm section electrode is used. This tool is supplied with a built-in adaptor for welding DualDrive™ belts. The FT tool range offers maximum splicing width of 1000mm (39.4") and 1500mm (60").



Pitch Gauge Measuring Tool for Volta Positive Drive Belts

Volta Positive Drive belts need to be welded endlessly while maintaining a correct pitch tolerance between the teeth closest to the weld. A small tool gauge has been developed to ensure this.

The Pitch gauge Measuring Tool is not included in the FBW Welding kit. This tool can be purchased as a separate unit - Cat.No. - 81307570.

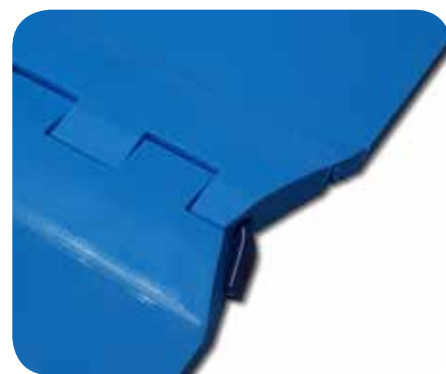


Volta Plastic Hinge Lace

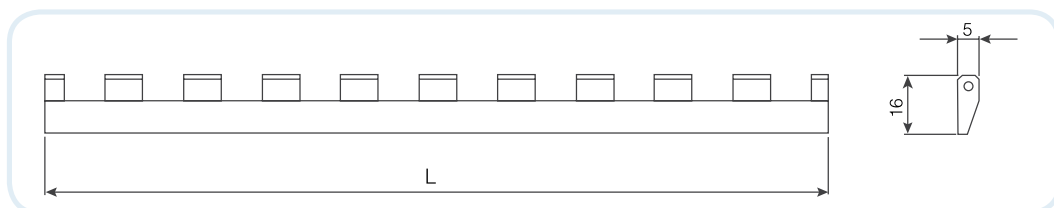
The Plastic Hinge Lace allows you to easily open the belt by taking the hinge pin out, clean or service the conveyor, reinstall the belt and close the lace with a new pin. The Plastic Hinge Lace is made of Volta homogeneous food approved materials and is compatible with Volta M family product belts. Volta belts are renowned for their homogeneous and hygienic characteristics and, therefore, they do not require opening and joining on a regular basis - unlike modular belts.

Hinge Lace Benefits Easy Open-Close Technique

The fastening structure allows you to easily open the Plastic Hinge Lace by removing the hinge pin from the lace. After setting up the belt on the conveyor, fasten the lace and secure it by inserting a new hinge pin into the slit and crimp up the pin ends.



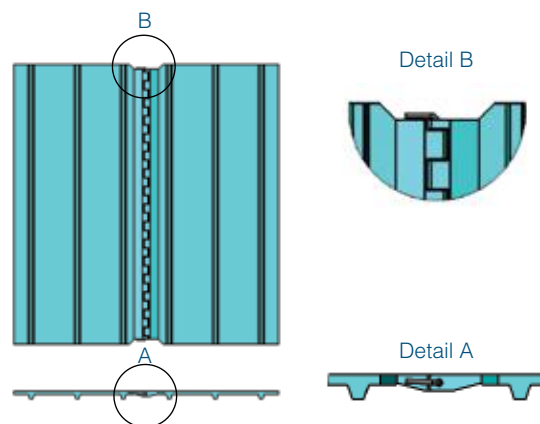
Closing belt with Universal Lace



Reduced Maintenance Downtime

Volta belts are highly cleanable and do not need to be removed routinely for wash-downs even in high hygiene applications. In instances where removal is necessary, Hinge Lace reduces the risk of contamination to a minimum. The castellated lace is fabricated from homogenous belt material welded seamlessly on to the belt edges. The hinge pin may need replacing when the lace is opened.

➔ We recommend using the Universal Lace only when absolutely necessary. Make sure that the conveyor sprockets fully support the entire face length of the belt or at least 80% of the face length. Note that the maximum allowed pull force for the lace (per cm/in.) is lower than the allowed pull force of the belt (per cm/in.). Therefore, check that the calculated pull force of your application is lower than the maximum allowed pull force of the lace.



Plastic Hinge Lace Specifications

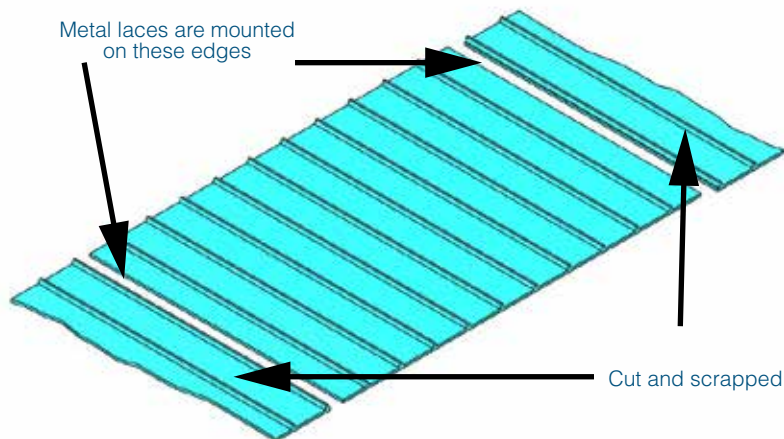
Belt Type	Volta LMW-U and LMB-U with DualDrive™		Volta LMB-U with Mini DualDrive™	
Description	Flat toothed strip		Flat toothed strip	
Material	Volta MW, beige - Volta MB, blue		Volta MB, blue	
Hardness	95A		95A	
Working Temp Range	-20°C to 60°C/-5°F to 140°F		20°C to 60°C/-5°F to 140°F	
Dimensions	5mm x 16mm - 0.20in x 0.63in		5mm x 16mm - 0.2in x 0.63in	
Max. Length	3.05m - 10ft		3.05 m - 10ft	
Max. Pull Force	3kg/cm - 16.80lb/in		3kg/cm - 16.8lb/in	
Minimum Sprocket Normal Flex	*80mm - 3.15"		67mm - 2.64"	
Minimum Sprocket Back Flex	100mm - 3.94"		80mm - 3.15"	
Pin Options	Stainless Steel Pin coated with Nylon - 0.065"/1.65mm diameter	Cat. No.: 81651170	Stainless Steel Pin coated with Nylon - 0.065"/1.65mm diameter	Cat. No.: 81651170
	** Nylon (Plastic) Pin - 0.065"/1.65mm diameter with Stainless Steel leader	Cat No.: 81651130	** Nylon (Plastic) Pin - 0.065"/1.65mm diameter with Stainless Steel leader	Cat No.: 81651130
Certifications	FDA / USDA / USDA Dairy / EU Approved			

Note: *Minimum Sprocket Diameter for DualDrive™ 3mm belt only.

**Maximum Pull force with the Nylon (plastic) Pin is 2kg/cm (11.2lb/in).

Mechanical Laces

- ➔ There are occasions when it may be necessary to splice the DualDrive™ and Mini DualDrive™ belt using a Mechanical Lace.
- ➔ When working with lace, it is important that you work according to the recommendations of the lace manufacturer. When using lace for splicing the DualDrive™ and Mini DualDrive™ belt, the Pull Force calculations provided by Volta are not applicable.
- ➔ The distance between the teeth at the splice must be the same as the distance between the teeth on the rest of the belt.
- ➔ Volta takes no responsibility for Metal Lace or joints conforming to hygienic requirements.



Note: The pitch between the driving lugs at the splice can be reduced for the DualDrive™ up to 2-3mm and for the Mini DualDrive™ up to 1mm, without adversely affecting belt operation. However, the distance between the teeth should never be increased.

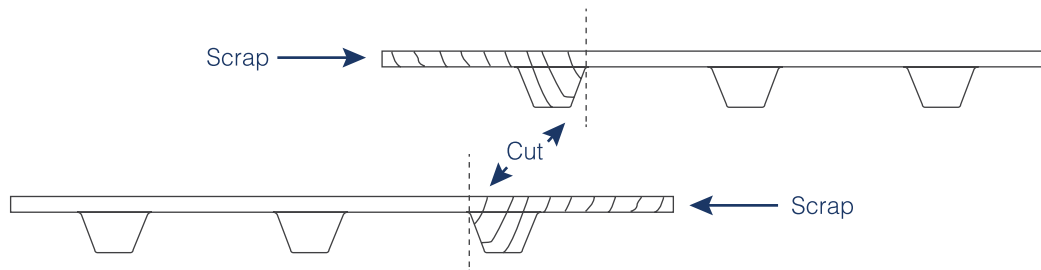
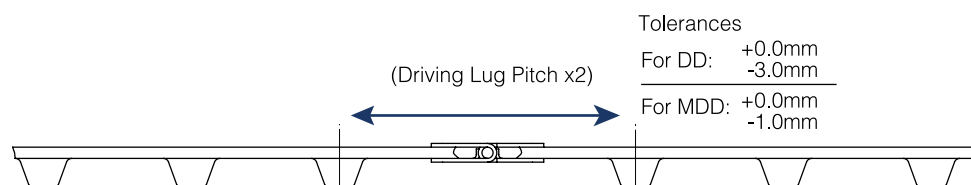


Figure 5a: Tooth pattern after joining the DualDrive™ belt with lace



With some lacing products it may be necessary to remove one tooth completely. For these products, it will be necessary to cut each end of the belt according to the fastener's properties. After mounting the lace, the belt will have a gap of one tooth (figure 5b). The loss of one tooth will not affect the operation of the belt. We do not recommend using this method when using sprockets of 150mm/6" or less.

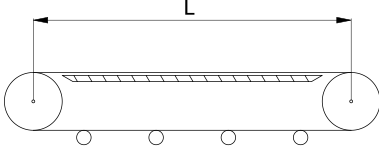
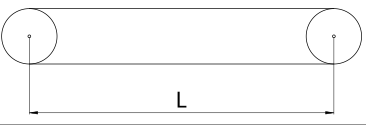
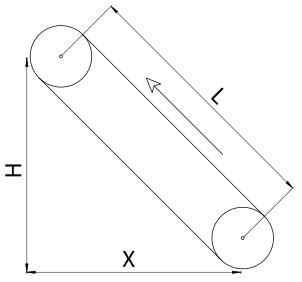
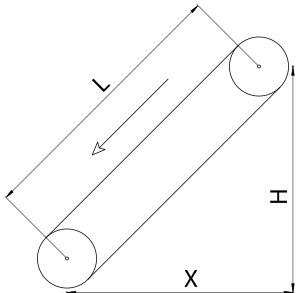
For detailed splicing instructions refer to "Flat Butt Welding (FBW) Instruction Manual".

8. Belt Calculations

Pull Force Calculation Procedure

1. Net Pull Force F on the belt is calculated by the formula

$$F = f_s * (G_1 + G_2) * \frac{X}{L} + f_R * G_2 * \frac{X}{L} + f_R * G_3 + C * G_1 * \frac{H}{L} + 0.25 * G_4$$

			
Return Bed	Rollers with Bearings $f_R=0.03$	Rollers with Bushing $f_R=0.10$	UHMW Sliders f_R =refer to technical data sheet
Slide Bed	f_s =refer to technical data sheet		
1. Horizontal transport	$C=0$; $L=X$; $H=0$		
			
2. Incline	$C=1$		
			
3. Decline	$C=-1$		
			

Symbols and Dimensions

f_R = Coefficient of friction of rollers (Bearings or Bushing)

f_s = Coefficient of friction of belt on Slide Bed

L = Conveyor length (m)/(ft)

H = Elevating height (m)/(ft)

X = Horizontal distance of conveyor (m)/(ft)

G_1 = Maximum load on the conveyor (kg)/(Lb)

G_2 = Belt weight (one direction) (kg)/(Lb)

G_3 = Weight of supporting rolls-upper and lower sections (kg)/(Lb)

G_4 = Maximum accumulated weight (kg)/(Lb)

* In case of Z Conveyor, the calculation is made up of two conveyors, one horizontal and one inclined. In order to find the total Pull Force, add the results of both calculations.

2. Pull Force Per Unit Belt Width

Divide the Calculated Pull Force from Step 1 by the belt width (cm or inch) and record the answer.

3. Determine Allowed Pull Force and Sprocket Diameter

Sprocket diameter affects the maximum allowable pull force (F_a). To determine the Allowable Pull Force (F_a), find the number of meshed teeth in the left hand column of Table 5. If the number of meshed teeth is less than 6, multiply the Maximum Pull Force by K Factor below.

Table 5: K factor

Teeth in Mesh	K factor	Comment
6 or more	1	(180° Arc of contact at standard 12T 190mm/7.47" Sprocket)
5	0.80	
4	0.60	(180° Arc of contact at standard 8T 126mm/4.94" Sprocket)

$$F_a = F_{\text{Max}} \cdot K$$

F_a = Allowed pull force

F_{max} = Maximum pull force allowed for the belt (Technical Data table of each belt)

K = Factor from Table 6a

4. Verify that the Selected Belt can Carry the Calculated Pull Force

Compare the answer in step 2 to the Maximum Allowable Pull Force. If the Calculated Pull Force in Step 2, is less than or equal to Maximum Allowable Pull Force (F_a), then the selected belt is suitable for the application. You should continue with Step 5 to select the correct number of Sprockets.

If the Calculated Pull Force in Step 2 is greater than maximum Allowable Pull Force in Step 3, you must change one of the following parameters:

- Increase the belt width.
- Change the Slide Bed to reduce the coefficient of friction. Volta recommends using UHMW strips.
- Add a snub roller to increase the arc of contact (to increase the number of meshed teeth).
- Choose a larger diameter Sprocket (to increase the number of meshed teeth).
- Reduce the load on the belt.

5. Start - Stop Applications

Such applications require a careful additional calculation of the pull force. Volta personnel should be consulted with full detail of the motor drive.

Example:

An UHMW slide bed conveyor transporting meat packages horizontally.

1. Check if FMB-3-DD 18" belt (457mm) is good for this application.

Given	English-Imperial	C
Package weight:	30 (lbs)	13.60 (kg)
Maximum number of packages on belt:	30	30
Conveyor length:	50 (ft)	15.20 (m)
Return rollers weight (bushing):	10 (lbs)	4.50 (kg)
C	6	6
Sprocket diameter:	157.70mm	6.20"
Number of teeth in mesh:	5	5

9. Motor Capacity Calculation

Procedure

Calculate the Pull Force:

Maximum load:

Belt weight - one direction:

Return idler weight:

Accumulated weight :

$$G1=30 \times 30=900 \text{ (lbs)}$$

$$G2=0.92 \times (18/12) \times 50=69 \text{ lbs}$$

$$G3=6 \times 10=60 \text{ (lbs)}$$

$$G4=0$$

$$G1=30 \times 13.6=408 \text{ (kg)}$$

$$G2=4.50 \times 0.457 \times 15.2= 31.26 \text{ kg}$$

$$G3=6 \times 4.50=27 \text{ (kg)}$$

$$G4=0$$

$$F= fs \times (G1+G2)+ fr \times (G2+G3)+0.25 \times G4$$

$$F= 0.28 \times (900+69)+0.1 \times (69+60)$$

$$F= 284.20 \text{ (lbs)}$$

$$F= 0.28 \times (408+31.30)+0.1 \times (31.30+27)$$

$$F=128.80 \text{ (kg)}$$

2. Allow Pull Force according to number of teeth in mesh:

For 10 teeth sprockets at 180° Arc of contact - 5 teeth in mesh

$$K =0.8 \text{ (5 teeth in mesh)}$$

3. Maximum allowed belt load:

$$Fa =0.8 \times 33.6=26.8 \text{ (lb/in)}$$

$$F(\text{max}) =26.8 \times 18=482.4 \text{ (lbs)}$$

18" belt width (45cm) is ok

(the calculated Pull Force is less than the allowed Pull Force)

$$Fa=0.8 \times 6 =4.8 \text{ (kg/cm)}$$

$$F(\text{max}) =4.8 \times 45= 216 \text{ (kg)}$$

Calculation Procedure (for Constant Speed)

Metric	English
1. Calculation of the required torque for the drive sprocket	
$M= \frac{F \times 9.81 \times Dp}{1000 \times 2}$	$M= \frac{F \times Dp}{12 \times 2}$
M = torque [N * m]	M = torque [lb*ft]
F = calculated pull force [kg] - see section 8, pg. 29	F = calculated pull force [lb] - see section 8, pg. 29
Dp = sprocket pitch diameter [mm] - see pages 13 and 16	Dp = sprocket pitch diameter [inch] - see pages 13 and 16
2. Calculation of drive sprocket revolution [rpm]	
$n= \frac{V \times 1000}{\pi \times Dp}$	$n= \frac{V \times 12}{\pi \times Dp}$
n = number of drive sprocket revolution [rpm]	n = number of drive sprocket revolution [rpm]
Dp = sprocket pitch diameter [mm] - see pages 13 and 16	Dp = sprocket pitch diameter [inch] - see pages 13 and 16
V = belt speed [m/min]	V = belt speed [ft/min]
3. Calculation of the motor capacity	
$P= \frac{M \times n}{9550 \times \eta} \times k$	$P= \frac{M \times n}{5250 \times \eta} \times k$
P = power in [Kw] (0.746 Kw = 1 HP)	P = power in [HP] (1 HP = 0.746 Kw)
M = torque [N * m] (from step 1)	M = torque [N * m] (from step 1)
n = number of drive sprocket revolution [rpm] (from step 2)	n = number of drive sprocket revolution [rpm] (from step 2)
η = efficiency of the drive transmission equipment (η < 1)	η = efficiency of the drive transmission equipment (η < 1)
It depends on the drive type and motor data provided by the manufacturer. In most cases it may vary from 0.6 to 0.85.	
k = correction/safety coefficient (K > 1)	k = correction/safety coefficient (K > 1)
Take into account working conditions according to the motor and drive gear data provided by the manufacturer.	
4. Choose a motor: the next size up	

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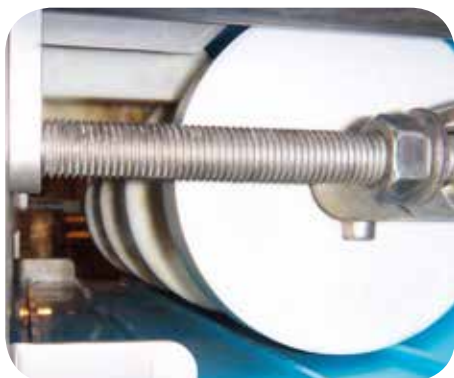
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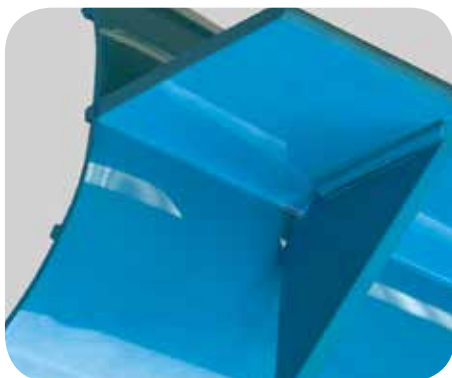
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DualDrive™ & Mini DualDrive™ Belts



Tail Roller



Gusset Cleat on DD



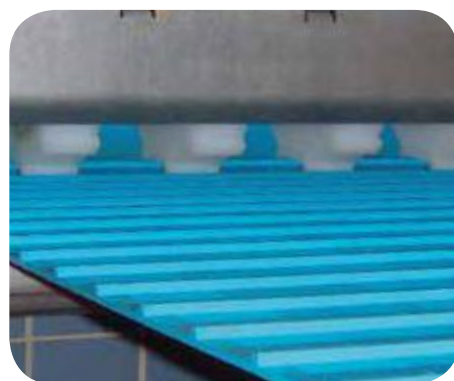
Return Side Support



Perforated Mini DD Belt



Volta Drive Sprocket



Volta Drive Sprocket



DD Meat Elevator



Perforated DD-IRT Belt



Perforated DD Belt with Flights



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