

Solution Guide



uni MPB 22% open
Straight Running Belt

- Industry > **Poultry**
- Application > **Chiller Discharge**
- Description > **Whole birds are taken out of the chiller bath**

This is usually an incline conveyor that takes the whole birds out of the chiller bath. The open belt in this application also dewateres the birds as they are conveyed.



uni MPB 22% open on a chiller discharge conveyor

Problems

- > **Problem 1**
The water temperature in the chiller is 33 degrees °F (1 degree °C) and plastic can become brittle and crack at that low temperature.
- > **Problem 2**
The belt must allow for sufficient drainage to dewater the birds as they come out of the water tank.
- > **Problem 3**
Maintenance and downtime is time consuming and costly.
- > **Problem 4**
Belt slippage on the sprockets can be a problem due to the high load on this belt.

Solutions

- > **Solution 1**
uni PEI (Impact resistant polyethylene) material is rated for temperatures as low as -58 °F (-50 °C) and can withstand the normal impact associated with whole birds possibly dropping on the belt.
- > **Solution 2**
The uni MPB 22% open has large, evenly distributed holes to allow for excellent drainage.
- > **Solution 3**
The unique molded lockpin system on the uni MPB belt makes belt assembly/disassembly very easy. The pin can be removed from one side of the belt and reused for re-assembly. Downtime and maintenance time is greatly reduced by this locking system.
- > **Solution 4**
More load is possible with uni MPB than with competitor's belts because of the unique sprocket engagement system (more positive angle of engagement).