

QUESTIONS TO ASK

When Selecting a Conveyor System

Learn the best questions to ask yourself and prospective suppliers when you're in the market for a conveyor system for any industrial application.

Investing in a new conveyor system, an industrial material transfer, or handling application is nothing to be taken lightly. Conveyor systems are large, complex machines and as much care should be taken in selecting the right one as one would expect when buying a new car, or other major personal investment.

what information to have handy when you begin to shop



Questions to Ask Yourself

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Depending on the details of your own application, you may need to ask other questions (or answer those asked by your preferred conveyor manufacturer or supplier).

WHAT WILL IT BE USED FOR?



Knowing the application of the conveyor system is a necessary first step in determining the right one. Automated conveyors for food processing applications will have a very different set of requirements than those intended for robotics integration or that simply move small boxes down a packaging line.

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WHAT MATERIAL WILL BE TRANSPORTED?



- Will **specialty belting** be required?
- **How wide** will the belt need to be?
- Will the product and conveyor operate at **room temperature**?

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WHAT SIZE WILL IT BE?



- **How much space** will the conveyor system occupy?
- **How long** does it need to be?

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HOW STRONG WILL THE MOTOR BE?

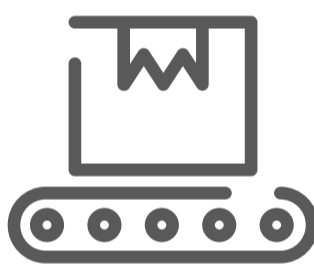


- **How fast** will the conveyor need to be?
- **How much load** will it need to accommodate?

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Choose a Conveyor Supplier

get your system from a company whose work you can trust



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A reliable, trustworthy conveyor system supplier **will be willing to help you** with these questions and others that may be necessary depending on your specific needs.

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WHAT WILL THEY OFFER ME?

Depending on your needs, conveyor suppliers may offer you a **pre-existing conveyor system design**, or a **custom solution**. In either case, be sure to ask the questions below.

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WHAT TYPE OF SYSTEM WILL IT BE?

- Is the **system modular**?
- How difficult will **future modifications** be?

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HOW MUCH WORK WILL INSTALLATION TAKE?

- **How difficult** will installation be?
- **How much** will it cost?
- **How long** will it take?

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WHAT IS INVOLVED IN TERMS OF MAINTENANCE?

- How easy will **belt repairs or replacements** be?
- How easily can **replacement parts** be obtained?
- Will **specialized labor** be involved?

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WHAT IS THEIR EXPERTISE?

- Has the supplier **worked on similar systems** in the past?
- Can they **provide any references** or case studies?

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If you're in the market for a new conveyor system, or are getting ready to be, get in touch with the team at **mk North America**. A worldwide leader in modular conveyor systems, custom designs, and other specially engineered material handling solutions, **mk North America** will guide you through every step of the conveyor design and selection process.