

Empire Rubber & Supply Company

Portland, Oregon

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Empire Rubber & Supply Co. is the largest independent distributor of conveyor belt and related industrial products in the Pacific Northwest United States with locations in Portland, Oregon and Pasco, Washington.

Empire Rubber & Supply Co. is renowned in the aggregate, food processing, and wood & paper products industries for their mobile installation & vulcanization crews, service oriented technical sales team, Uniweld cleat process, expansive conveyor belt and precision pulley & idler inventories.

Empire Rubber & Supply Company's mobile installation & vulcanization crews are unsurpassed! Well equipped (30+ presses) and highly trained (Fenner certified), its crews maximize up-time by minimizing down-time.



The staff at the Pasco, Washington warehouse.

The company's technical field sales staff and friendly customer service teams are always available to tackle even your toughest conveying challenges.

Empire Rubber & Supply Co.'s patented UNIWELD cleating process vulcanizes PVC cleats and V-guides to the top and bottom surfaces of conveyor belts. The Uniweld process offers many configurations to fit any conveying needs: T cleats, I cleats, scoop cleats, from 1/2" to 3" tall, in chevron, herringbone, or curved patterns. Drilled & siped vanner edges are also available.

Some of the products offered by Empire Rubber & Supply Co.:

- ▲ Conveyor belts (heavy weight black rubber belts, lightweight PVC belts, Food Grade RMV & Nitrile belts, Roughtop & Meat Cleat incline belts, Integrally Molded cleated rubber belts)
- ▲ Uniweld PVC cleats (1", 2", 3" T cleats, V-guides, Scoop Cleats, Herringbone cleats, Chevron cleats, Juice Saver Curve cleats, for white FDA or black PVC & RMV conveyor belts)
- ▲ Flexco fasteners & tools (Readysset Alligator Staple lace, Clipper Unibar & Carded Hook Lace, 140 & 190VP Flexco lace, Flexco Rivet lace)
- ▲ Conveyor components (Precision drive pulleys, Precision wing pulleys, QD bushings, Precision return idlers & trough idlers, Limberollers, take-up frames, belt scrapers, Rema Diamond pulley lagging, Slide Lag, Kwik Lag, ceramic lag)
- ▲ Power transmission components (Gates Polychain belts, v-belts, timing belts, sheaves, sprockets, DAIDO roller chain, gearboxes, bearings)



Above: The Pasco, WA warehouse.

Below: The Portland, OR warehouse.

Empire Rubber and Supply Co. is ready to meet the needs of lumber and wood, pulp and paper, recycling, mining and a wide array of industry belting needs.



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- ▲ Plastic sheet & machined parts (UHMW, HMW, HDPE Polyethelene, Polycarbonate, Nylon, Teflon PTFE, Acetal, Polypropelene, PVC)
- ▲ Sheet rubber & gasket material (Neoprene, Nitrile / Buna, Natural Gum rubber, SBR, Skirtboard, Silicon, CI Sheet, Butyl, EPDM, Viton, EZ Kleen mat, Ortho mat, Teflon Coated Fiberglass Tape, Closed Cell Neoprene Sponge)

Empire Rubber & Supply Co. is the largest independent supplier & installer of conveyor belt and related industrial goods in the Pacific Northwest. Representing Fenner Dunlop, Goodyear/Veyance, Chemprene, Flexible



CEMA B Idler Isle. Expansive Precision Pulley & Idler inventory.

Steel Lacing, and Precision Pulley & Idler, Empire Rubber provides top of the line products matched with exceptional customer service.

Founded in 1951 by Fred Hutchinson, Empire Rubber & Supply Co.'s original products were tailored to the Lumber Industry. Since then, Empire Rubber has expanded beyond the traditional rubber house offerings of conveyor belt, hose, v-belts, and rubber gasket sheeting.

Under second-generation owner Ed Hutchinson, Empire Rubber & Supply Co. secured a patent for its Uniweld process: a method of fusing cleat, v-guide, and vanner edge to PVC conveyor belt using heat & pressure in a way that maximizes bond strength while eliminating belt curl/distortion of the base belt. Our Uniweld cleating process defines and leads the standard in non-rf PVC cleat fusion.

As the products offered by Empire Rubber & Supply Co. have expanded so has its customer base. Empire Rubber now serves customers in dozens of industries on three continents. From crushed gravel to french fried potatoes, graphics industries to grain elevators, pulp & paper to corrugated boxboard to recycling/reclamation, Empire Rubber & Supply Co. serves them all.

Empire Rubber & Supply Co. has a fantastic splice crew to install and service conveyor belts. With five mobile splice crews and 30+ presses, the customer is sure to get the service and response time it is looking for. Empire has been splicing belts for over 50 years across eight western states, including Alaska & Hawaii. Empire Rubber also offers lining & lagging field services for chutes, hoppers, drums, and rollers.

In house services include, cutting & slitting, belt vulcanization, splice preparation, fastener installation, rubber chute fabrication, gasket punching, and belt punching for fasteners, elevator buckets, chain attachments, vacuum and dewatering applications.

Call Empire Rubber & Supply Co. today for all your belt fabrication needs!



Empire Rubber & Supply Co. can easily slit conveyor belt and other materials up to 72" wide x 1200'+ long using one of our BeltMaster slitting machines.



Recessed installation of belt fasteners like the Flexco 550 bolt hinge lace shown and countersunk elevator bolts are available. Empire Rubber can perforate your belt to any pattern you choose.

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