

DOUBLE PLUS® Chain



Unique Patented Design

Improved!

For Free Flow Conveying and Accumulating Applications

INCREASE EFFICIENCY AND OUTPUT

REDUCE OPERATING COSTS

ACCELERATE YOUR OPERATION

DOUBLE PLUS® Chain

Revolutionary Technology

Maximize your operation with DOUBLE PLUS Chain from U.S. Tsubaki.

Now you can increase production and efficiency without increasing labor costs.

If you're running a conveying or accumulating line, DOUBLE PLUS from U.S. Tsubaki with its unique, patented design can mean real savings for your operation.

How DOUBLE PLUS® Works



Cutaway view of DOUBLE PLUS® roller

End view of DOUBLE PLUS® system

DOUBLE PLUS Chain uses free flow technology to revolutionize your operation. The secret is in the construction.

DOUBLE PLUS consists of a series of rollers: a large center roller and two small outer rollers. Rollers can be made of engineered plastic for low-maintenance, low-noise operations or steel for heavy-duty applications.

Technology Leads to Real Savings

Faster pallet speed can mean savings. You can use slower chain speeds and smaller motors, yet get the same — or faster — output. Chains last longer and you can reduce operating costs. DOUBLE PLUS lets you maintain or even increase production while lowering costs.

Friction between the large roller and the small rollers allows them to turn in unison. The difference in roller diameters results in the conveyed object moving about 2.5 times FASTER than the speed of the chain. That means you get increased output without increasing the speed of your chain.

The large roller supports the pallet. The small rollers rotate on the guide rail and provide rolling friction. They keep the chain moving even when pallets are accumulating. Smooth accumulation protects product on line.



DOUBLE PLUS® rollers

A DOUBLE PLUS® System

DOUBLE PLUS®

- Maintain or accelerate production without increasing labor or shifts.
- **Reduce operating costs.**
- Choose the right type from the wide selection available.
- Enhance worker comfort and productivity • with lower noise levels.
- Protect your products and your people with • the safe, enclosed DOUBLE PLUS system.
- Get up and running quickly because **DOUBLE PLUS is easy to install.**





A System for Speed

DOUBLE PLUS[®] is a system of parts that come together to maximize efficiency at your operation. The system includes:

- Revolutionary DOUBLE PLUS Chain (see pages 4 and 6) ٠
- Special 10-tooth sprockets a unique geometry available • for sizes 3/4" to 2" (see page 5). This unique geometry is also available for Engineering Class DOUBLE PLUS Chain in 6or 8-tooth sprockets (see page 7)
- Plastic return guides help maintain low noise levels and ensure a smooth transition (see page 8)
- Brackets allow convenient installation of plastic return guides (see page 9)
- · Anodized aluminum guide rail with optional steel rail inserts (see page 10)
- Pallet guide rails protect your products by keeping them securely on the system (see page 11)

Select the right base chain.

The chain can be constructed from three different types of materials. Choose carbon steel for general purpose applications, stainless steel when corrosion resistance is required, or hard chrome plated when you want the strength of carbon steel with light corrosion resistance. For larger applications (over 840 lbs. of tension and 270 lbs.

Plastic Return Guide

per roller capacity), U.S. Tsubaki offers Engineering Class DOUBLE PLUS Chain.



Choose the right size.

DOUBLE PLUS[®] with plastic rollers is available in 3/4" pitch to 2" pitch. DOUBLE PLUS with steel rollers is available in 3/4" pitch to 7-7/8" pitch.

Choose the right rollers.

Select the type of rollers that will work best for your operation.

Urethane rollers

Our **A series** rollers meet most standard applications. **B series**

is made of high-friction plastic for quick startup, **C series** discharges electrostatic buildup, and **D series** offers quick startup and discharge of electrostatic buildup. Urethane rollers are available on a specialty basis to prevent scratching of sensitive products when conveying without pallets. Consult your U.S. Tsubaki Product Engineer for more details.









SERIES:		SIZE O	F ROLLER: LARGE	SERIES BENEFITS:
A	Color: Feature:	Gray Standard	Brown Standard	Maximum Allowable Tension
в	Color: Feature:	Off-White High friction plastic	Brown Standard	Quick Start-up
С	Color: Feature:	Gray Standard	Black Electroconductive Plastic	Volume Resistivity of 10 ⁶ Ω x cm
D	Color: Feature:	Off-White High friction plastic	Black Electroconductive Plastic	Quick Start-up AND Volume Resistivity of 10° Ω x cm

Special Option

DOUBLE PLUS with snap covers is also available. Snap covers prevent small parts from falling into the line and jamming the conveyor.



DOUBLE PLUS® with Snap Covers

Specifications



DOUBLE PLUS® WITH SNAP COVERS



- These base chains are specialized for SNAP COVERS.
- The SNAP COVERS cannot be attached to the standard type of DOUBLE PLUS chain.
- Offset links are not available for DOUBLE PLUS with SNAP COVERS.

	DOUBLE	PLUS®	CHAIN
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Upper dimensions-inches Lower dimensions-mm													
												Approx. Ibs./ft. (k	Weight g/m)
Chain No.	Р	R	R ₁	W ₁	W ₂	t	т	Н	D	L ₁	L ₂	Plastic Roller	Steel Roller
C2030VR C2030VRP C2030VR-SC C2030VRP-SC	0.75 (19.05)	0.469 (11.91)	0.720 (18.3)	0.315 (8.0)	0.157 (4.0)	0.060 (1.5)	0.060 (1.5)	0.354 (9.0)	0.141 (3.59)	0.474 (12.05)	0.522 (13.25)	0.40 (0.6)	0.94 (1.4)
C2040VR C2040VRP C2040VR-SC C2040VRP-SC	1.00 (25.40)	0.625 (15.88)	0.969 (24.6)	0.406 (10.0)	0.224 (5.7)	0.080 (2.0)	0.060 (1.5)	0.472 (12.0)	0.156 (3.97)	0.622 (15.80)	0.669 (17.00)	0.67 (1.0)	1.68 (2.5)
C2050VR C2050VRP C2050VR-SC C2050VRP-SC	1.25 (31.75)	0.750 (19.05)	1.205 (30.6)	0.512 (13.0)	0.280 (7.1)	0.094 (2.4)	0.080 (2.0)	0.591 (15.0)	0.200 (5.09)	0.770 (19.55)	0.837 (21.25)	0.94 (1.4)	2.49 (3.7)
C2060VR C2060VRP C2060VR-SC C2060VRP-SC	1.50 (38.10)	0.875 (22.23)	1.441 (36.6)	0.610 (15.5)	0.335 (8.5)	0.125 (3.2)	0.125 (3.2)	0.677 (17.2)	0.234 (5.96)	0.964 (24.5)	1.039 (26.4)	1.34 (2.0)	3.76 (5.6)
C2080VRP C2080VRP-SC	2.00 (50.80)	1.125 (28.58)	1.890 (48.0)	0.787 (20.0)	0.591 (15.0)	0.156 (4.0)	0.156 (4.0)	0.906 (23.0)	0.312 (7.94)	1.409 (35.8)	1.496 (38.0)	2.62 (3.9)	

• Steel roller type (VR series) is available for 14°F to 302°F (-10°C to +150°C).

• Plastic roller type (VRP series) is available for 14°F to 140°F (-10°C to +60°C).

STANDARD



A unique geometry available for sizes 3/4" to 2" pitch.

Sprockets for DOUBLE PLUS® CHAIN (For Double Pitch "VR," "VRP," "VR-SC," & "VRP-SC")

pper dimensions-inches ower dimensions-mm													
Sprocket No.	Hub Type	Number of Teeth	Pitch Dia. D _p	Outer Dia. D _O	Tooth Thickness T	Stock Bore Dia. d	Hub Dia. D _h	Hub Length L	М	Approx. Weight Ibs. (kg)			
C2030VRP-10T-SC	В	10	2.427 (61.65)	2.480 (63)	0.118 (3.0)	0.500 (12.7)	1.457 (37)	0.984 (25)	0.602 (15.3)	0.44 (0.2)			
C2040VRP-10T-SC	В	10	3.236 (82.20)	3.346 (85)	0.157 (4.0)	0.630 (16)	2.047 (52)	1.575 (40)	0.803 (20.4)	1.76 (0.8)			
C2050VRP-10T-SC	В	10	4.045 (102.75)	4.213 (107)	0.197 (5.0)	0.630 (16)	2.598 (66)	1.772 (45)	1.004 (25.5)	3.31 (1.5)			
C2060VRP-10T-SC	В	10	4.854 (123.30)	5.039 (128)	0.236 (6.0)	0.748 (19)	3.189 (81)	1.969 (50)	1.201 (30.5)	5.52 (2.5)			
C2080VRP-10T-SC	В	10	6.472 (164.39)	6.772 (172)	0.472 (12.0)	0.906 (23)	4.331 (110)	2.638 (67)	1.870 (47.5)	15.4 (7.0)			

Specifications

ENGINEERING CLASS



Engineering Class DOUBLE PLUS® CHAIN

Upper dimensions-inches Lower dimensions-mm															
															Approx. Weight Ibs./ft.
Chain No.	Р	R	R ₁	W ₁	W ₂	W	т	H	D	L ₁ +L ₂	L ₁	L ₂	В	G	(kg/m)
RF03075VR	2.953 (75)	1.252	1.654	0.472	0.335	1.181	0.126	0.866	0.315	2.028	0.965	1.063	1.453	0.571	3.16 (4.7)
RF03100VR	3.937 (100)	(31.8)	(42.0)	(12)	(8.5)	(30)	(3.2)	(22.0)	(8.00)	(51.5)	(24.5)	(27.0)	(36.9)	(14.5)	2.69 (4.0)
RF05100VR	3.937 (100)	1.575	2.087	0.630	0.433	1.535	0.177	1.260	0.446	2.776	1.319	1.457	1.831	0.728	5.38 (8.0)
RF05150VR	5.906 (150)	(40.0)	(53.0)	(16)	(11.0)	(39)	(4.5)	(32.0)	(11.32)	(70.5)	(33.5)	(37.0)	(46.5)	(18.5)	4.03 (6.0)
RF10150VR	5.906 (150)	2.000 (50.8)	2.638 (67.0)	0.787 (20)	0.551 (14.0)	2.126 (54)	0.248 (6.3)	1.500 (38.1)	0.571 (14.50)	3.661 (93.0)	1.772 (45.0)	1.890 (48.0)	2.319 (58.9)	0.984 (25.0)	8.06 (12)
RF6025VR	6.000 (152.4)	2.252	2.972	0.866	0.630	2.441	0.311	1.752	0.626	4.272	2.087	2.185	2.610	1.102	12.1 (18)
RF12200VR	7.874 (200)	(57.2)	(75.5)	(22)	(16.0)	(62)	(7.9)	(44.5)	(15.90)	(108.5)	(53.0)	(55.5)	(66.3)	(28.0)	10.1 (15)
RF17200VR	7.874 (200)	2.559 (65.0)	3.386 (86.0)	0.984 (25)	0.709 (18.0)	2.717 (69)	0.374 (9.5)	2.000 (50.8)	0.752 (19.10)	5.000 (127.0)	2.382 (60.5)	2.618 (66.5)	2.972 (75.5)	1.220 (31.0)	13.4 (20)

•Engineering Class Chain has steel roller, and is suitable for use from -4°F to +392°F (-20°C to +200°C). •Engineering Class Chain does not have guide rail.

•Conveying speed of Engineering Class DOUBLE PLUS Chain is approximately 2.3 x chain speed.



A unique geometry available in 6- or 8-tooth sprockets.

Sprockets for Engineering Class DOUBLE PLUS® CHAIN

Upper dimensions-inches Lower dimensions-mm

Sprocket No.	Number of Teeth	Pitch Dia. D _p	Outer Dia. D _O	Tooth Thickness T	Tooth Thickness T ₁	М	Stock Bore Dia. d	Max. Bore	Hub Dia. D _h	Hub Length L	Approx. Weight Ibs. (kg)
RF03075VR-6T	6	5.906 (150.0)	6.22 (158)	0.20	0.24	1.024	0.79	1.57 (40)	2.56 (65)	2.17 (55)	6.6 (3.0)
RF03075VR-8T	8	7.717 (196.0)	8.23 (209)	(5)	(6)	(26.0)	(20)	1.77 (45)	2.76 (70)	2.36 (60)	9.9 (4.5)
RF03100VR-6T	6	7.874 (200.0)	8.11 (206)	0.20	0.24	1.024	0.79	1.77 (45)	2.76 (70)	2.36 (60)	9.9 (4.5)
RF03100VR-8T	8	10.287 (261.3)	10.71 (272)	(5)	(6)	(26.0)	(20)	1.97 (50)	3.15 (80)	2.76 (70)	16.5 (7.5)
RF05100VR-6T	6	7.874 (200.0)	8.07 (205)	0.31	0.35	1.398	0.98	2.36 (60)	3.74 (95)	3.15 (80)	16.5 (7.5)
RF05100VR-8T	8	10.287 (261.3)	10.75 (273)	(8)	(9)	(35.5)	(25)	2.76 (70)	4.13 (105)	3.54 (90)	28.7 (13)
RF05150VR-6T	6	11.811 (300.0)	11.97 (304)	0.31	0.35	1.398	0.98 (25)	2.76 (70)	4.13 (105)	3.54 (90)	33.1 (15)
RF05150VR-8T	8	15.433 (392.0)	15.83 (402)	(8)	(9)	(35.5)	1.18 (30)	2.95 (75)	4.53 (115)	3.94 (100)	52.9 (24)
RF10150VR-6T	6	11.811 (300.0)	12.17 (309)	0.43	0.47	1.890	1.18 (30)	3.15 (80)	4.92 (125)	4.13 (105)	44.1 (20)
RF10150VR-8T	8	15.433 (392.0)	16.06 (408)	(11)	(12)	(48.0)	1.38 (35)	3.35 (85)	5.31 (135)	4.53 (115)	70.6 (32)
RF6025VR-6T	6	12.000 (304.8)	12.99 (330)	0.55	0.63	2.205	1.38	3.74 (95)	5.71	4.92	64.0 (29)
RF6025VR-8T	8	15.677 (398.2)	17.01 (432)	(14)	(16)	(56.0)	(35)	3.94 (100)	(145)	(125)	92.7 (42)
RF12200VR-6T	6	15.748 (400.0)	17.09 (434)	0.55	0.63	2.205	1.38 (35)	3.94 (100)	5.71 (145)	4.92 (125)	94.9 (43)
RF12200VR-8T	8	20.575 (522.6)	21.93 (557)	(14)	(16)	(56.0)	1.57 (40)	4.33 (110)	6.10 (155)	5.31 (135)	147.8 (67)
RF17200VR-6T	6	15.748 (400.0)	17.28 (439)	0.59	0.63	2.441	1.57 (40)	4.33 (110)	6.10 (155)	5.31 (135)	103.7 (47)
RF17200VR-8T	8	20.575 (522.6)	22.13 (562)	(15)	(16)	(62.0)	1.77 (45)	4.72 (120)	6.89 (175)	5.91 (150)	167.7 (76)

Specifications

PLASTIC RETURN GUIDES AND BRACKETS



Help maintain low noise levels and ensure a smooth transition.

PLASTIC RETURN GUIDES





PLASTIC RETURN GUIDES FOR DOUBLE PLUS® WITH SNAP COVERS





Plastic Return Guide Dimensional Data

Upper dimensions-inches

Lower dimensions-mm

Guide No	Δ	в	c	П	F	F	G	н	1	r	R
C2030VRP-RG	1.34	0.35	0.87	0.24	1.22	M6	_	2.24	_	2.13	2.36
	(34)	(9)	(22)	(6.0)	(31)		_	(57)	_	(54.0)	(60)
C2040VRP-RG	1.97	0.47	1.18	0.31	1.18	M8	—	2.24	—	2.05	2.36
	(50)	(12)	(30)	(8.0)	(30)		—	(57)	—	(52.0)	(60)
C2050VRP-RG							—	2.24	—	1.97	2.36
	2.20	0.59	1.38	0.39	1.26	M8	_	(57)	_	(50.0)	(60)
C2050VRP-RG-SC	(56)	(15)	(35)	(10.0)	(32)		3.56	2.24	1.69	3.54	3.94
							(90.3)	(57)	(43)	(90.0)	(100)
C2060VRP-RG							—	2.24	—	1.87	2.36
	2.36	0.71	1.54	0.49	1.26	M8	_	(57)	—	(47.5)	(60)
C2060VRP-RG-SC	(60)	(18)	(39)	(12.5)	(32)		3.56	2.24	1.69	3.44	3.94
							(90.3)	(57)	(43)	(87.5)	(100)
C2080VRP-RG							—	3.03	—	2.56	3.15
	2.76	0.91	1.77	0.59	1.61	M8	_	(77)	—	(65.0)	(80)
C2080VRP-RG-SC	(70)	(23)	(45)	(15.0)	(41)		5.50	3.03	3.46	5.91	6.50
							(139.6)	(77)	(88)	(150.0)	(165)

Note: Specify SC type for use with Snap Cover DOUBLE PLUS. For chain sizes C2030VRP-SC and C2040VRP-SC, use standard plastic return guide.



Bracket Dimensional Data

Upper dimensions-inches Lower dimensions-mm															
Chain No.	hain No. A B C D E F G $O_1 O_2$ T														
C2030VRP-GB	1.34 (34)	0.236 (6.0)	0.87 (22)	0.807 (20.5)	0.26 (6.7)	0.71 (18)	0.98 (25)	0.256 (6.5)	0.256 (6.5)	0.12 (3)	M6 X 20 ℓ				
C2040VRP-GB	2.36 (60)	0.591 (15.0)	1.18 (30)	1.752 (44.5)	0.30 (7.7)	0.79 (20)	1.18 (30)	0.335 (8.5)	0.335 (8.5)	0.12 (3)					
C2050VRP-GB	2.99 (76)	0.807 (20.5)	1.38 (35)	2.185 (55.5)	0.40 (10.2)	0.94 (24)	1.38 (35)	0.413 (10.5)	0.335 (8.5)	0.16 (4)	M0 V 00 4				
C2060VRP-GB	3.70 (94)	1.083 (27.5)	1.54 (39)	2.854 (72.5)	0.42 (10.7)	0.94 (24)	1.38 (35)	0.413 (10.5)	0.335 (8.5)	0.16 (4)	1118 X 20 L				
C2080VRP-GB	3.94 (100)	1.083 (27.5)	1.77 (45)	2.756 (70.0)	0.59 (15.0)	0.94 (24)	1.38 (35)	0.413 (10.5)	0.335 (8.5)	0.16 (4)					

Specifications









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Aluminum Guide Rail Dimensional Data Standard and Steel Rail Inserts

Upper dimensions-inches Lower dimensions-mm Guide Rail No.	A	В	С	D	E	F	G	H ₁	H ₂	I	J	K	L	М	N	0	Standard Length ft. (m)	Mass Ibs./ft. (kg/m)
C2030VRP-R3L	1.38	2.36	0.807	1.494	_	0.55	1.268	0.350	0.366	0.390	0.413	0.256	0.197	0.256	0.413	0.197	9.84	0.94 (1.4)
C2030VRP-R3LS	(35)	(60)	(20.5)	(37.95)	-	(14)	(32.2)	(8.9)	(9.3)	(9.9)	(10.5)	(6.5)	(5.0)	(6.5)	(10.5)	(5.0)	(3)	1.48 (2.2)
C2040VRP-R4L	2.48	2.60	1.752	1.388	0.728	0.51	1.374	0.449	0.472	0.531	0.531	0.335	0.295	0.256	0.413	0.197	13.12	1.75 (2.6)
C2040VRP-R4LS	(63)	(66)	(44.5)	(35.25)	(18.5)	(13)	(34.9)	(11.4)	(12.0)	(13.5)	(13.5)	(8.5)	(7.5)	(6.5)	(10.5)	(5.0)	(4)	2.49 (3.7)
C2050VRP-R4L	3.07	3.15	2.185	1.644			1.693										13.12	2.42 (3.6)
C2050VRP-R4LS	(78)	(80)	(55.5)	(41.75)	0.906	0.59	(43.0)	0.56	0.59	0.65	0.689	0.413	0.35	0.335	0.531	0.295	(4)	3.36 (5.0)
C2050VRP-R3H	3.15	5.51	2.26	4.01	(23.0)	(15)	4.06	(14.3)	(15)	(16.5)	(17.5)	(10.5)	(9)	(8.5)	(13.5)	(7.5)	9.84	3.36 (5.0)
C2050VRP-R3HS	(80)	(140)	(57.5)	(101.75)	1		(103)										(3)	4.23 (6.3)
C2060VRP-R4L				2.018														2.82 (4.2)
C2060VRP-R4LS	3.74 (95)	3.58 (91)	2.854 (72.5)	(51.25)	0.925 (23.5)	0.59 (15)	1.988 (50.5)	0.677 (17.2)	0.709 (18.0)	0.768 (19.5)	0.689 (17.5)	0.413 (10.5)	0.354 (9.0)	0.335 (8.5)	0.531 (13.5)	0.295 (7.5)	13.12 (4)	3.96 (5.9)
C2060VRP-R4K				1.821 (46.25)														2.69 (4.0)
C2080VRP-R3LS	3.94 (100)	4.92 (125)	2.76 (70)	3.15 (80)	0.47 (12)	0.94 (24)	2.68 (68)	0.91 (23)	0.91 (23)	0.98 (25)	0.689 (17.5)	0.413 (10.5)	0.35 (9)	0.335 (8.5)	0.531 (13.5)	0.295 (7.5)	9.84 (3)	6.65 (9.9)



														Length	lbs/ft								
	Α	В	C	D	E	F	G	Η	1	J	K	L	М	N	0	Р	Q	R	S	T	U	ft. (m)	(kg/m)
C2030VRP-PGR	0.60 (15.3)	2.89 (73.5)	0.49 (12.5)	2.51 (63.8)	1.02 (26)	0.94 (24)	1.50 (38)	0.28 (7)	0.70 (17.9)	0.33 (8.5)	0.22 (5.5)	0.47 (12)	0.22 (5.5)	0.33 (8.5)	0.08 (2)	0.20 (5)	0.37 (9.5)	0.18 (4.5)	0.24 (6)	_	0.20 (5)	9.84 (3)	0.6 (0.9)
C2040VRP-PGR	0.68	3.27	0.57	2.88	0.71	0.87	2.12	0.28	0.71	0.41	0.26	0.47	0.26	0.41	0.08	0.22	0.39	0.26	0.22	0.08	0.22	13.12	1.0
	(17.3)	(83)	(14.5)	(73.1)	(18)	(22)	(53.75)	(7)	(18.15)	(10.5)	(6.5)	(12)	(6.5)	(10.5)	(2)	(5.5)	(10)	(6.5)	(5.5)	(2)	(5.5)	(4)	(1.5)
C2050VRP-PGR	0.88	3.94	0.77	3.50	0.91	0.98	2.55	0.35	0.81	0.53	0.33	0.59	0.33	0.53	0.12	0.30	0.53	0.45	0.20	0.10	0.30	13.12	1.5
	(22.3)	(100)	(19.5)	(88.8)	(23)	(25)	(64.8)	(9)	(20.7)	(13.5)	(8.5)	(15)	(8.5)	(13.5)	(3)	(7.5)	(13.5)	(11.5)	(5)	(2.5)	(7.5)	(4)	(2.2)
C2060VRP-PGR	0.88	4.57	0.77	4.13	1.26	1.12	2.94	0.35	0.81	0.53	0.33	0.59	0.33	0.53	0.14	0.30	0.55	0.45	0.20	0.39	0.28	13.12	1.7
	(22.3)	(116)	(19.5)	(104.9)	(32)	(28.5)	(74.75)	(9)	(20.6)	(13.5)	(8.5)	(15)	(8.5)	(13.5)	(3.5)	(7.5)	(14)	(11.5)	(5)	(10)	(7)	(4)	(2.5)
C2080VRP-PGR	0.88	6.10	0.77	5.67	2.46	2.46	3.15	0.35	0.81	0.53	0.33	0.59	0.33	0.53	0.16	0.30	0.57	0.45	0.16	0.12	0.30	9.84	2.4
	(22.3)	(155)	(19.5)	(144)	(62.5)	(62.5)	(80)	(9)	(20.5)	(13.5)	(8.5)	(15)	(8.5)	(13.5)	(4)	(7.5)	(14.5)	(11.5)	(4)	(3)	(7.5)	(3)	(3.5)

Selection Guidelines

I. Confirm operating conditions for DOUBLE PLUS[®] conveyor.

The following information is needed to select the appropriate chain:

- a. Material, weight, dimension, and quantity of the conveyed object (including pallet)
- b. Conveyor speed
- c. Conveyor length (the length for accumulating and transferring section respectively)
- d. Lubrication requirements and environment

II. Select initial chain size.

The proper selection of DOUBLE PLUS Chain considers the vertical force exerted on the rollers, as well as the tension on the chain due to friction that results. Make initial chain selection based on maximum allowable chain tension. (See Table 1a or 1b.)

 $T_{T} = W_{T} \, x \, f \, x \, K$

- T_{T} : Total chain(s) tension (kgf or lbs.)
- W_T : Total weight of conveyed object except chain (kg or lbs.)
- f: Coefficient of friction $f=f_2+f_3$ (See Table 2.)
- K: Chain speed coefficient (See Table 3.)

Note: If two strands of chain are used, multiply T_T by 0.6 to find tension per strand.



Table 1a. Maximum Allowable Chain Tension Standard and DOUBLE PLUS[®] Chain with Snap Covers

Units-Ibs. (kgf)	Chain No.											
Roller Type	C2030	C2040	C2050	C2060	C2080							
Regular Plastic	120	200	310	460	1,190							
	(56)	(90)	(140)	(210)	(540)							
High-Friction Plastic	60	100	155	230	595							
	(28)	(45)	(70)	(105)	(270)							
Stainless Steel	60	100	155	230	595							
	(28)	(45)	(70)	(105)	(270)							
Steel	220 (100)	350 (160)	550 (250)	840 (380)	_							

Note: These factors are for your reference only.

Engineering Class DOUBLE PLUS® Chain Units-Ibs. (kgf) Maximum Allowable Chain No. **Chain Tension** RF03075VR 930 RF03100VR (420) RF05100VR 2,200 RF05150VR (1,000) RF10150VR 3,530 (1,600) RF6025VR 5,950

Table 1b. Maximum Allowable Chain Tension

Note: These factors are for your reference only.

RF12200VR

RF17200VR

Table 2. Coefficient of Friction for DOUBLE PLUS® Chains

	TYPE OF DOUBLE PLUS CHAIN												
Coefficient of Friction	Plas Standard	tic Roller High-Friction	Stee Lubricated	el Roller Nonlubricated	Enginee Lubricated	ering Class Nonlubricated							
Coefficient of friction f ₁ between chain and rail when conveying	0.08	0.08	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05							
Coefficient of friction f ₂ between chain and conveyed object when accumulating	d 0.10	0.15	0.10	0.15	0.10	0.15							
Coefficient of friction f ₃ between chain and rail when accumulating	0.20	0.25	0.10	0.25	0.15	0.20							

Table 3. Chain Speed Coefficient

(2,700)

7,720

(3,500)

Chain Speed ft./min. (m/min)	Chain Speed Coefficient (K)
0~50 (0~15)	1.0
50~100 (15~30)	1.2

Note: These factors are for your reference only. For speeds greater than those indicated, consult U.S. Tsubaki.

Note: These factors are for your reference only. We suggest oiling steel roller type.

Selection Guidelines

III. Confirm the maximum allowable roller load.

The roller load due to conveyed objects (see Fig. 1) should not exceed the values shown in Table 4a or 4b (Table depends on product used.)

Figure 1-Conveyed object weight per roller



DOUBLE PLUS® Chain

Table 4a. Maximum Allowable Roller Load* Standard and DOUBLE PLUS[®] Chain with Snap Covers

Units-Ibs.	/ ft. (kgf/m) Plastic Roller Aluminum Guide Rail	Plastic Roller Aluminum Frame	Steel Roller with Steel Rail
Chain No.			
C2030	27 (40)	54 (80)	108 (160)
C2040	40 (60)	81 (120)	161 (240)
C2050	54 (80)	108 (160)	215 (320)
C2060	67 (100)	134 (200)	269 (400)
C2080		202 (300)	

Note: These factors are for your reference only. *This is the load for two strands of DOUBLE PLUS® Chain

Table 4b. Maximum Allowable Roller Load Engineering Class DOUBLE PLUS[®] Chain

Units-Ibs./ft. (kgf/m)				
Chain No.	Maximum Allowable Roller Load			
RF03075VR RF03100VR	290 (130)			
RF05100VR RF05150VR	530 (240)			
RF10150VR	770 (350)			
RF6025VR RF12200VR	1,100 (500)			
RF17200VR	1,370 (620)			

IV. Confirm total chain tension (T_{τ}) .

In general, a DOUBLE PLUS[®] system uses two strands of chain. When calculating the total chain tension (T_T) , be sure to include the weight of each strand. The chain tension (T_T) is calculated using the following formula:

Figure 2–Distribution of product line



- $$\begin{split} T_{T} &= (W_{1} + M) \; L_{1} \; x \; f_{1} + W_{2} \; x \; L_{2} \; x \; f_{2} + \; (W_{2} + M) \; L_{2} \; x \; f_{3} + \\ & 1.1 \; M \; (L_{1} + L_{2}) \; f_{1} \end{split}$$
- $0.6 \ge T_T \ge K \le Maximum$ allowable chain tension (Table 1a or 1b)
- Total chain tension (lbs. or kgf) T_T: T_s: Chain Tension/Strand (lbs. or kgf) W_1 : Weight of conveyed objects in conveying portion (lbs./ft. or kg/m) Weight of conveyed objects in accumulating portion W_2 : (lbs./ft. or kg/m) Weight of chain and slat, etc. (lbs./ft. or kg/m) M: Length of conveying portion (ft. or m) L_1 : Length of accumulating portion (ft. or m) L_2 : Coefficient of friction between chain and rail f₁: when conveying Coefficient of friction between chain and conveyed f₂: object when accumulating f3: Coefficient of friction between chain and rail when accumulating HP: Required horsepower kW: Required kilowatts V: Chain speed (ft./min. or m/min.) Transmission efficiency of drive unit η: Note: When there are two strands in parallel, the maximum *chain tension should be* $T_s = 0.6 x T_T$

I. Calcu	late require	d power.		
HP =	<u>T_T V x 1.1</u>	or	kW =	$T_{\rm T}$ V x 1.1
	33,000ŋ			6,120ŋ

Note: These factors are for your reference only.

Selection Procedure Example.

i) Confirm operating conditions for DOUBLE PLUS® conveyor.

Conveyor length: 30 ft. (9.14 m)

Dimensions of conveyed object: 1.5 ft. (0.46 m) square Weight of conveyed object: 53 lbs. (24 kg)/piece

53 lbs./piece \div 1.5 ft. = 35.3 lbs./ft. (52.6 kg/m) Conveyed product speed: 30 ft./min (9.14 m/min). Chain speed: 12 ft./min. (3.66 m/min.) Full conveyor accumulating Quantity of conveyed object: 20 pieces Dry, in-plant use, normal operating temps (up to 77°F)

ii) Select initial chain size.

Using the calculation method in Section II. on page 12:

$$\begin{split} T_T &= W_T \ x \ (f_2 + f_3) \ x \ K \\ T_T &= (35.3 \ \text{lbs./ft.} \ x \ 30 \ \text{ft.}) \ x \ (0.1 + 0.2) \ x \ 1.0 = 318 \ \text{lbs.} \ (144 \ \text{kgf}) \\ T_s &= 318 \ \text{lbs.} \ x \ 0.6 = 190.8 \ \text{lbs} \ (86.5 \ \text{kgf}) \\ \textit{Note: Presume two strands of chain, each loaded by } 0.6 \\ \textit{of the total.} \end{split}$$

Based on these calculations, C2040VRP-A chain is the preliminary choice, but this selection must be confirmed.

Note: C2040VRP-A weight/ft. = 0.67 lbs./ft. (1.0 kg/m) per strand [1.34 lbs./ft. (2.0 kg/m) for two strands].

iii) Confirm the maximum allowable roller load.

By consulting Table 4a or 4b, you find that for C2040VRP-A, the maximum allowable roller load is 40 lbs./ft. (60 kg/m) for aluminum rail.

In this example, the weight of the conveyed object is 35.3 lbs./ft. (52.6 kg/m). Therefore, C2040VRP-A can cover roller load.

iv) Confirm total chain tension.

Using the calculation method of total chain tension (T_T) :

 $T_{\rm T} = 329$ lbs. (149 kgf)

 $T_s = T_T x 0.6 = 197$ lbs. (89 kgf) per strand

Now determine chain size.

Multiply the chain tension (T_s) by the chain speed coefficient (K) listed in Table 3, confirm with the following formula: $T_s \ge K \le Maximum$ allowable chain tension (Table 1a or 1b). 197 $\ge 1.0 \le 200$ (C2040VRP regular plastic) In this example, we would choose <u>C2040VRP-A Chain</u>.

v) Calculate required power.

*Presume gearmotor efficiency (η) = 0.8 HP = $\frac{329 \text{ lbs. x } 12 \text{ ft./min. x } 1.1}{33,000 \text{ x } 0.8}$ = 0.17 = 1/4 HP motor

kW = $\frac{149 \text{ kgf x } 3.66 \text{ m/min. x } 1.1}{6,120 \text{ x } 0.8}$ = 0.2 kW motor

• This calculation sample is for your reference only.

<u>Design Guidelines</u>

I. Dimensions for both ends of the conveyor.

A typical arrangement of DOUBLE PLUS[®] components is illustrated in Fig. 3. The bracket is used to mount the plastic return guide to the aluminum guide rail, allowing the chain to flow smoothly between the sprocket and guide rail. See Table 5a for dimensions.

Figure 3–Typical arrangement of DOUBLE PLUS® components



Units-in. (mm)					
Chain No.	Z	L ₁	L ₂ (Driver side)	L ₂ (Driven side)	H
C2030VRP-R3L	0.839	1.57	8.27	3.15	0.98
C2030VRP-R3LS	(21.3)	(40)	(210)	(80)	(25)
C2040VRP-R4L	0.579	1.97	11.81	3.94	0.98
C2040VRP-R4LS	(14.7)	(50)	(300)	(100)	(25)
C2050VRP-R4L C2050VRP-R4LS C2050VRP-R3H C2050VRP-R3HS	0.634 (16.1) 3.000 (76.2)	2.36 (60)	13.39 (340)	4.72 (120)	1.18 (30)
C2060VRP-R4K	0.587	2.76	16.93	5.12	1.57
C2060VRP-R4LS	(14.9)	(70)	(430)	(130)	(40)
C2080VRP-R3LS	0.945	3.94	21.65	7.87	2.36
	(24)	(100)	(550)	(200)	(60)

Table 5a. Conveyor End Dimensions

II. Screws, bolts, height of conveyor.

The values for L shown in Table 5b and Fig. 4 vary because of the plastic bumper wall thickness tolerance.

Connecting the aluminum guide rail

Connect the aluminum guide rails by aligning the V groove shown by arrow A in Fig. 4.

Installing the pallet guide rail

Drill holes using the V groove as a guide, shown by arrow B in Fig. 4, and install the pallet guide rail using socket head cap screws from Table 5b.

Figure 4-Location of screws, bolts



Table 5b. Screws, Bolts, Height of Conveyor

Units-in. (mm)							
Rail No.	1	2	3	4	5	Н	L
C2030VRP-R3L C2030VRP-R3LS	M6 x 10 <i>l</i>	M6	M5	M6	M5	2.42 (61.5)	0.57 (14.5)
C2040VRP-R4L C2040VRP-R4LS	M6 x 12 ℓ	M6	M6	M8	M6	2.68 (68)	1.12 (28.5)
C2050VRP-R4L C2050VRP-R4LS	M8 x 20 ℓ	M8	M8	M10	M8	3.25 (82.5)	1.42 (36)
C2050VRP-R3H C2050VRP-R3HS	M8 x 20 ℓ	M8	M8	M10	M8	5.61 (142.5)	1.46 (37)
C2060VRP-R4K C2060VRP-R4L C2060VRP-R4LS	M8 x 20 <i>l</i>	M8	M8	M10	M8	3.74 (95)	1.75 (44.5)
C2080VRP-R3LS	M8 x 25 ℓ	M8	M8	M10	M8	5.12 (130)	1.85 (47)

III. Nominal spacing of conveyor supports.

Proper operation of DOUBLE PLUS[®] Chain is maintained by controlling the amount of deflection of the aluminum guide rail. This deflection is determined from the weight of the conveyed goods and the second moment of area, shown in Table 5c. To control deflection, supports should be spaced as shown in Fig. 5, in accordance with the following equation:

Determining support spacing

$$\ell \text{ (in.)} = \frac{[384 \text{ x E x I x } \delta \text{ x 12}]}{5 \text{ x 0.6 x W}}^{1/4}$$
$$\ell \text{ (mm)} = \frac{[384 \text{ x E x I x } \delta \text{ x 10}^{7}]}{5 \text{ x 0.6 x W}}^{1/4}$$

- $\boldsymbol{\ell} = \text{spacing support (inches or mm)}$
- $E = Young's Modulus = 9.956 x 10^{6} lbs./in. (7.0 x 10^{3} kg/mm^{2})$
- I = Second moment of area = in.⁴ (cm⁴) (See Table 5c.)
- δ = Deflection = 0.079 in. (2mm)
- W = Total conveyed weight = lbs./ft. (kg/m)

Note: The total conveyed weight (W) is not always distributed evenly between the two conveyor strands. This is taken into account with the factor 0.6.

Figure 5–Nominal spacing of conveyor supports (ℓ)



Table 5c. Second Moment of Area

Units- in.' (cm')						
	Rail No.	Second moment of area (I) in.⁴ (cm⁴)				
Aluminum Guide Rail	C2030VRP-R3L C2040VRP-R4L C2050VRP-R4L C2050VRP-R3H C2060VRP-R4L C2060VRP-R4K	0.41148 (17.127) 0.96545 (40.185) 2.01905 (84.039) 9.80904 (408.283) 3.24668 (135.137) 2.60692 (108.508)				
Aluminum Frame with Steel Rail	C2030VRP-R3LS C2040VRP-R4LS C2050VRP-R4LS C2050VRP-R3HS C2060VRP-R4LS C2080VRP-R3LS	0.42815 (17.821) 1.06460 (44.312) 2.29735 (95.623) 10.62133 (442.093) 4.12657 (171.761) 8.66648 (360.726)				

IV. Finishing the ends of the conveying side.

Put a chamfer on the ends of the upper rail that the chain's small rollers travel on (Fig. 6).

Figure 6–Location of Chamfer

Travel portion of the rail for the small roller



It is possible to prevent the chain's large roller from dipping at the chamfered portion by installing a support for the large roller on the ends of the rail on the driven side.

V. Aluminum frame with steel rail.

(1) Two basic constructions are used when building guide rail with aluminum frame and steel rail:

For C2030VRP-R3LS, a steel rail (no. 3) is arranged in the vertical position and lock screws (no. 4) are secured into the frame (no. 1) from both sides (see Fig. 7a). See Table 5d for dimensions and hardware.

Figure 7a-Cross section of C2030VRP-R3LS



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Lock screws (no. 4) are secured through the inner rail (no. 2), which anchors the steel rail (no. 3) to the frame (no. 1) (see Fig. 7b). See Table 5d for dimensions and hardware.

Figure 7b–Cross section of C2040VRP-C2080VRP frame with steel rail



Table 5d. Aluminum Frame with Steel Rail

Units-in. (mm)				
	Steel rail (Pa	rt No. 3)	Installation screws for	Installation screws for
Rail No.	Dimensions (Plate thickness x width) in. (mm)	"A" dimension in. (mm)	steel rail (Part No. 4). philips pan head machine screws	steel rail (Part No. 5). philips flat head machine screws
C2030VRP-R3LS	.12 x .51 (3 x 13)	.187 (4.75)	M3 x 7 <i>l</i>	-
C2040VRP-R4LS	.12 x .51 (3 x 13)	.315 (8.0)	M4 x 5 l	M4 x 6 ℓ
C2050VRP-R4LS	.12 x .51 (3 x 13)	.315 (8.0)	M4 x 6 ℓ	M4 x 6 ℓ
C2050VRP-R3HS	.12 x .51 (3 x 13)	.315 (8.0)	M4 x 6 ℓ	M4 x 6 ℓ
C2060VRP-R4LS	.12 x .51 (3 x 13)	.315 (8.0)	M4 x 6 ℓ	M4 x 6 ℓ
C2080VRP-R3LS	.24 x .63 (6 x 16)	.413 (10.5)	M5 x 8 ℓ	M6 x 10 l

(2) Assembly drawing

When joining rail sections to form a longer conveyor, please refer to Fig. 8.



Figure 8–Assembly Drawing

1) The steel rail is cut at an angle of 45° at the center portion of the main rail.

2) The installation spacing for C2030VRP-R3LS steel rail is the same as that for C2050VRP-R3HS and C2080VRP-R3LS.

Table 5e. Steel Rail Assembly Dimensions

Units-in. (mm) Rail No.	A	В	С	D	E	F	
C2040VRP-R4LS C2050VRP-R4LS C2060VRP-R4LS	157.5 (4000)	1.18 (30)	19.09 (485)	19.09	2.36	1.18	
C2050VRP-R3LS C2080VRP-R3LS	118.1 (3000)	0.59 (15)	18.90 (480)	(485)	(60)	(30)	

(3) Important points when handling steel guide rail

- When cutting the guide rail with steel rail
 - 1) Cut anywhere other than the central portion or screwed portions of the rail.
 - 2) Remove burrs, etc., that occur on the cut surface.
 - 3) Insert lock screws into the steel rail and inner rail along with the inner rail and main rail at 0.6 1.2 in.(15 30 mm) from the cut end.
 - 4) Machine all parts individually.
 - 5) Completely remove all burrs before reassembly.

Note: Use screws according to Table 5d when reassembling the conveyor.

• When connecting the rail

After connecting the rail, put small chamfers on the mating faces of the steel rail where steps occur (in both vertical and lateral directions). These prevent the chain rollers from getting caught at these areas.

VI. Transferring objects between conveyors.

To convey pallets in a stable condition at the transfer portion of the conveyor, install a roller between the two conveyors or the shafts of the sprockets (see Fig. 9). Be sure that the distance ℓ from the ends of the rail to the roller that supports the pallets is less than 1/2.5 times the pallet length in the conveying direction.





VII. Take-up.

The amount of take-up ℓ = (L x 0.02) + marginal length (0.02 = Allowable chain wear elongation 2%)

Allow for some sagging (up to 10% of the span) in the chain on the bottom of the driver sprocket. Adjust the take-up so that the slack does not exceed the values in Table 5f. (see Fig. 10.) In addition, the total arc of contact between the chain and sprocket should be more than 130° . If take-up cannot be set up as shown in Fig. 11 due to space limitations, refer to Fig. 12.

Table 5f. Chain Slack for DOUBLE PLUS®

Chain size	Normal slack in. (mm)	Maximum slack in. (mm)
C2030	.10 (25)	2.95 (75)
C2040	1.38 (35)	4.13 (105)
C2050	1.57 (40)	4.72 (120)
C2060	1.97 (50)	5.90 (150)
C2080	2.56 (65)	7.48 (190)

Figure 10–Slack tolerance







Figure 12-Take-up arrangement for limited space



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VIII. Sprocket and shaft.

Driver sprockets should be keyed, with both left and right sprockets matched in phase.

Take-up sprockets should be keyless, with separate shafts on left and right. Other sprockets should not be keyed.

IX. Maximum conveyor length.

DOUBLE PLUS[®] Chain operates well on conveyors with lengths not exceeding 50 ft. (15 m). When conveyor distances are greater than 50 ft. (15 m), make several shorter conveyors in line. If you require one continuous system longer than 50 ft. (15 m), consult U.S. Tsubaki.

X. For DOUBLE PLUS[®] Chain with Snap Covers.

When using the arrangement as shown in Fig. 13, be aware that the sprocket cannot engage the chain from the top surface of the snap covers. When bending the chain toward the snap cover side, do not bend beyond the R dimension of the plastic return guide (see page 8). Snap covers and installation are shown in Figs. 14 and 15.









Figure 15–Proper installation of snap covers



Maintenance Guidelines

DOUBLE PLUS with plastic rollers is designed to operate in a dry environment without contamination from water or oil. Otherwise, the start-up function of the chain will be minimized or eliminated, making conveying difficult.

Transfer product onto DOUBLE PLUS chain smoothly, and avoid dropping heavy product onto the chain.

DOUBLE PLUS with plastic rollers is designed to operate without lubrication.

• If the chain begins to make noise in the sprocket area because of a lack of oil, lubrication may be applied carefully, at the space between the link plates (see Fig. 16). If oil gets on plastic rollers, clean them immediately. Steel roller DOUBLE PLUS requires lubrication. Use SAE 10 ~ 20. (For Engineering Class DOUBLE PLUS chain use SAE 30 ~ 40).

Figure 16–Lubricating DOUBLE PLUS® chain



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