

when purchasing a pallet wrapper



THE 10 MOST IMPORTANT QUESTIONS

Are you considering automating your packaging process, but wondering which machine is most suitable for your situation?

When selecting the right machine, it is first of all important that you remember why you wrap your pallets in the first place; you want your products to arrive in the same state as they were when they left you. And this at the lowest possible cost per package. You can then determine which type of pallet wrapper best suits your situation. The following ten questions can help you select the right machine.



What is wrapped?

What is the stability of the products that will be wrapped and is there load that sticks out or does the package have sharp edges? Should hanging be taken into account? And what are the sizes and dimensions that need to be wrapped? Providing insight into these types of questions can be a time-consuming task, but it prevents problems in the future.

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How many pallets do we wrap per day?

Obviously this is an important question to ask to gain insight. There are more factors that are important besides total quantity. The distribution of work over the day is something to consider. Are there, for example, peak moments in your production? In that case you do not want the stretch wrapper to be the bottleneck in the process. The total amount of pallets and the distribution over the day determine how fast the machine must be.

A semi-automatic stretch wrapper can wrap up to 35 loads per hour and a fully-automatic machine can wrap up to 150 pallets per hour.



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pallets per hour with a semi-automatic machine



150

150 pallets per hour with a fully automatic machine

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How heavy are the goods?

Often, when purchasing a stretch wrapper, only the maximum weight of a pallet is considered. This is an important factor, but also keep in mind the minimum weight of a pallet. For example, light boxes are pulled over because the stretch wrapper cannot handle them. A turntable wrapper can handle pallets up to 3000 kilograms. An arm or ring wrapper can be used for heavier loads. For light products it is especially important that you use film with pre-stretch in the right way.



Where will the machine be located?

The working environment also influences the suitability of a stretch wrapper. For example, how dusty, dirty or damp is the environment? The height of a stretch wrapper is also a determining factor. In addition, internal logistics play a role in making the right choice. For example, do you need to wrap in multiple places?

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How are the pallets delivered?

Are the pallets delivered with a pump truck, forklift or via a transport lane? It may be necessary to use a ramp, but it is also possible to sink the entire stretch wrapper into the floor. In the case of an automatic transport line, it may be necessary to place the wrapper higher. As you can see, there are a huge number of options.

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How are the pallets wrapped right now?

How do you wrap your pallets at the moment? Do you do this manually or do you use an old stretch wrapper? How many people are involved in the process? What is your experience with the current working method? What is going well and what is not?



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Do we regularly suffer damage?

Is damage ever reported to one of your shipments? What exactly is the cause of this and what impact does this have on the way in which the load is secured and stabilized? It is important that you have a clear picture of this, so that you can prevent any damage in the future.

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What additional measures are needed?

When answering this question, consider for example the necessity of corner profiles. The load may need to be protected from above by means of a top sheet. You may also need intermediate sheets because the load may shift. In addition, it is sometimes necessary to first stabilize the load with a strap.

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What does the future look like?

By not only looking at the desired situation in the short term, you can make your purchase future-proof. For example, is it wise to purchase extra capacity because of potential growth? Or would it be a good idea to consider a fully automatic machine regarding an impending staff shortage? With good maintenance, pallet wrappers will last for years, so it is important that you think carefully about the future.

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What options do we want?

You will be amazed at how many possibilities there are with regard to the options that a stretch wrapper offers. For example, you can choose to have film cut off automatically, add ramps for pallet trucks, purchase an extra long mast for high pallets or have a remote control delivered with it. So check carefully which options are desired or necessary for you.

Experts wanted!

To correctly answer the questions above, help of an expert is needed.

Please contact us, we would like to help!

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Just start!

It is not so difficult to decide whether you want to automate your packaging process. The "how" is often a lot more complicated question. Therefore, start by identifying your wishes and needs. Cyklop can help you with this. Together with you we explore the possibilities and benefits that automation can offer you. Our experienced specialists are ready for you!

STEP 1

Contact us

Our specialists are ready to help you

STEP 2

Determine what you need

We will assess the situation and help you identify your needs

STEP 3

Find your solution

Make a list of the options and make the decision

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