



Product Information Bulletin

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Subject: Ultimax® Belts Handling and Storage

As the demands on CVT drive belts for high horsepower ATVs, UTVs and snowmobiles have increased, Ultimax® belts met the challenge by developing higher-performance compounds. This new generation of compounds has unique directional properties that allows our belts to pull substantially more power and withstand extreme temperatures.

To ensure the quality and reliability of Ultimax belts, they must be handled and stored properly. Improper storage or handling can cause the belt to crack and fail prematurely. Ultimax belts feature proprietary polymers and materials. Specific compounds are engineered for use in the compression section (below the cord) and the tension section (above the cord). This compression rubber is meant to be used in compression, therefore, putting it in tension by turning it inside out can damage the rubber. **Mishandling or improper storage will void the warranty* of Ultimax belts.**

Some sellers are re-packaging Ultimax belts by folding them in half or squeezing them into small shipping containers. Some vehicles are equipped with a very small compartment for storing a spare belt that might crimp the belt. Some users are back-bending or turning the belt inside out. It is **critically important** to never crimp or invert an Ultimax belt. This may cause the belt to fail prematurely.



Please observe the following recommendations when shipping, storing and installing Ultimax drive belts.

- Do not pry on a belt during installation
- Do not fold, squeeze tightly or crimp the belt
- Do not invert or turn an Ultimax belt inside out
- Do not store a belt in a compartment that is too small
- The minimum inside bend diameter for an Ultimax belt is 3 inches (76mm)
- Belts should be stored flat in a cool, dry environment which is below 85 degrees Fahrenheit (29.44 degrees Celsius) with a relative humidity of 70% or less and no direct sunlight

Timken Belts is a global leader in the manufacturing of CVT drive belts for ATV/UTV vehicles and snowmobiles. Ultimax belts by Timken are built for performance and reliability to meet or exceed original equipment specifications.

* Visit <https://www.ultimaxbelts.com/warranty> for complete warranty details.

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Timken Belts is part of The Timken Company's growing portfolio of engineered bearings and power transmission products. A manufacturer of premium performance power transmission belts, Timken Belts' associates and products help keep industry in motion and the world more productive.

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