

# **In-Line ORIENTER**

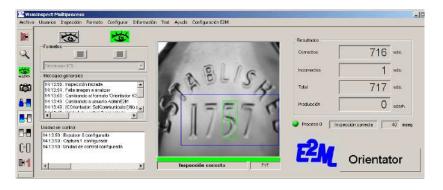
# Orienters for all kind of bottles, caps and cans















# Orienter of bottles, caps or cans

# In-Line orienter over existing conveyor. The system distinguishes the container's incoming orientation and orients it accordingly

# General features

# Design:

- in-Line, freestanding turnkey system
- · compact and easy installation over existing conveyor
- minimum change parts and easy format change over
- compatible with global format range
- robust, with safety covers
- · optional: infeed timing drums

### Production:

- · low, normal and high speed lines
- provides smooth flow of oriented containers
- gentle container handling

#### Location:

- after a container unscrambler or depalletizer
- before a filler (off-set neck)
- before a labeler (face label, back label)
- before a case or tray packer

#### Advantages:

- compact system for multiple formats
- compact price and better ROI than rotary orientators

# Incoming orientation detection

Incoming orientation is determined by sensing:

- mechanical shape
- face embossing, texture, graphics, handle position
- thread to body orientation (when consistent)

# Sensing techniques:

- · ultrasound, laser, photocells, infrared, proximity
- intelligent cameras (no PC required)
- B/W CCD 1024\*768 pixel cameras (PC based)

# Face detection algorithms:

- · analog and digital signal processing
- 3rd party vision processing (intelligent cam)
- advanced <u>E2M</u> PC-based algorithms (cam)

# Mechanical features

#### Orientation of:

- bottles and flasks:
  - glass or plastic
  - full or empty
  - round, square, triangular, oval, etc.
- caps
- cans:
  - · quadrangular, triangular

# Orientation strategies:

- TurnNotTurn: 180<sup>o</sup>
- QuadraTurn: +90°, -90°, 180°
- FlexiTurn: turns by a random amount of degrees

# In-Line orientation by means of:

- motion transfer belts (contact belts)
  - $180^{\circ}$ , +  $90^{\circ}$ , - $90^{\circ}$ , FlexiTurn
  - belts are applied on bottle neck for most efficient motion transfer (translation + rotation)
- turning fork: 180<sup>o</sup>

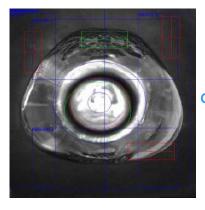
# Infeed timing belts and drums

A minimum bottle pitch is required in order for the system to be able to turn every single bottle by the appropriate amount of degrees.

# Motion control

Dual motor drive system: motion transfer belts

- FlexiTurn Series: medium & high speed productions:
  - PLC: Rockwell AB ControlLogix / CompactLogix
  - motion: 2 Rockwell Kinetix servodrives
- QuadraTurn Series: low & medium speed productions:
  - 2 Rockwell AB Ultra 5000 servodrives (M&S)
  - single motor drive system: turning fork
- TurnNotTurn Series: low & medium production speeds:
  - medium: Rockwell AB Ultra 5000 servodrive
  - low: frequency inverter, AC motor



FlexiTurn Out  $\Diamond$ 250 1054 Orientator with

output verification







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