# TROUBLE SHOOTING GUIDE:

### **SHEAVES**



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#### **SHEAVE SYMPTOMS**

SYMPTOMS	PROBABLE CAUSE	SOLUTION
Broken or damaged sheave	1. Incorrect sheave installation	Do not tighten bushing bolts.     beyond recommended torque values.
	2. Foreign objects falling into drive	2. Use adequate drive guard.
	3. Excessive Rim Speed	Keep sheave rim speeds below maximum recommended value.
	4. Incorrect belt installation	4. Do not pry belts onto sheaves.
Severe, rapid groove wear	Excessive belt tension	Retension, check drive design
	2. Sand, debris contamination	Clean and shield drive as well as possible

#### **V-BELT SYMPTOMS**

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Cracking	Sheave too small for belt section	1. Use larger diameter sheave
Wear on sidewall	<ol> <li>Sheave misalignment.</li> <li>Worn Sheave.</li> <li>Incorrect belt.</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Realign drive.</li> <li>Replace sheave.</li> <li>Replace sheaves for correct belt/sheave match</li> </ol>
Edge cord failure	Sheave misalignment.     Worn or incorrect Sheave.	Check alignment and correct.     Replace sheaves for correct belt/sheave match
Wear on top corner	1. Belt-to-sheave fit incorrect	Replace sheaves for correct belt/sheave match
Unusual vibration	<ol> <li>Incorrect Belt</li> <li>Excessive sheave eccentricity.</li> </ol>	Replace sheaves for correct belt/sheave match     Replace defective sheave.
Undercord Cracking	Sheave too small for belt section	1. Use larger diameter sheave



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Wear on bottom surface	1. Debris in sheave.	1. Clean sheave.
	2. Worn Sheave.	2. Replace sheave.
	3. Belt bottoming against sheave.	<ol><li>Replace sheaves for correct belt/sheave match</li></ol>
Turn over or comes off	Foreign material in grooves.	1. Shield grooves and drive.
drive	<ol><li>Sheave misalignment</li></ol>	<ol><li>Realign drive.</li></ol>
	<ol><li>Worn sheave grooves.</li></ol>	<ol><li>Replace sheaves.</li></ol>
	4. Subliminal diameter sheave.	4. Replace sheave with correct diameter.
Wear on bottom corner	1. Belt-to-sheave fit incorrect	Replace sheaves for correct     belt/sheave match
	2. Worn sheaves	2. Replace sheave
Unusually loud drive	Incorrect belt for sheaves.	Replace sheaves for correct     belt/sheave match
	2. Worn sheaves	2. Replace sheave.
	3. Debris in sheave.	<ol> <li>Clean sheaves, improve shielding, remove rust/paint, or remove dirt from grooves.</li> </ol>
	4. Sheave misaligned.	4. Realign drive.
Top of tie band damaged	1. Debris in sheaves.	1. Clean sheaves.
Tie band separation	Worn or incorrect sheaves.     Sheave misalignment.	Replace sheaves.     Realign drive.

