

Title (en)

Method and apparatus for changing the direction of motion of flat articles.

Title (de)

Verfahren und Vorrichtung zum Ändern der Bewegungsrichtung von flachen Gegenständen.

Title (fr)

Procédé et dispositif pour changer la direction du mouvement d'articles plats.

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[origin: EP0484177A1] An apparatus and method changes the direction of motion of flat articles being conveyed along a first path to a second path. The apparatus comprises a deck (12) mounted on a frame. The deck has a first side for receiving an article from a first direction and a second side for conveying the article in a second direction which forms an acute angle equal to or less than forty-five degrees (45 DEG) with the first direction. There is means (20, 48) for conveying the article over the deck in the second direction. The conveying structure engages a leading edge of the article only after the article has been disengaged by a conveying arrangement in the first direction. There is a registration wall (80) positioned downstream from the second direction conveying structure adjacent a third side of the deck. The registration wall extends in a third direction whereby the registration wall is at a right angle to the first direction, wherein the leading edge of the article is driven against the registration wall after the article has been disengaged by the second direction conveying structure. Conveying means (82) move the article in the third direction after the article has encountered the registration wall. <IMAGE>

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