

Title (en)

SEAL FOR ENDS OF NON-CIRCULAR ROD-SHAPED OBJECTS OF THE TOBACCO-PROCESSING INDUSTRIES

Title (de)

DICHTUNG FÜR ENDEN VON UNRUNDEN STABFÖRMIGEN ARTIKELN DER TABAKVERARBEITENDEN INDUSTRIE

Title (fr)

GARNITURE D'ETANCHEITE POUR EXTREMITES D'ARTICLES OVALISES SOUS FORME DE TIGES DE L'INDUSTRIE DE TRAITEMENT DU TABAC

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Abstract (en)

[origin: US6397663B1] A conveyor for testing successive plain or filter cigarettes or other rod-shaped smokers' products having non-circular (such as oval) cross-sectional outlines employs a rotary drum-shaped conveyor for sidewise transport of smokers' products toward, through and beyond a station where the products are tested by streams of a gaseous fluid entering the products at one axial end and issuing from satisfactory products at the other axial end. The end portions of the products are sealingly received in complementary sockets of elastically deformable sealing sleeves which are connected to their tubular fluid-conveying carriers in a manner to ensure that each sleeve remains in a selected position for optimum testing of the products. For example, each sleeve can be form-lockingly coupled to its carrier in such a way that the sleeve is held against any appreciable angular and/or axial movement relative to the carrier when the conveyor transports smokers' products but that the sleeve can be detached from the carrier, in response to adequate deformation, for the purpose of inspection, cleaning and/or replacement.

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