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Abstract (en)  
[origin: WO2007012104A1] Disclosed are a method and an apparatus for joining the discharged final section (3) of a first web of material (1), which extends across a web-processing machine on a horizontal transport level (T) along a horizontal direction of travel (t), to the delivered initial section (4) of a second web of material (2) located in a supply zone (27). A draw-in mechanism (9) is provided in which a final section (3) of the first web of material (1) that is embodied as a loose end is retained horizontally at the end. Said draw-in mechanism (9) is provided with a joining device (10) below the transport level (T). The joining device (10) can be moved parallel to the direction of travel (t) and is used for connecting the final section (3) in a tension-proof manner to the initial section (4) that contacts the final section (3) in a planarly overlapping fashion. According to the invention, the initial section (4) is contacted in a planarly overlapping fashion with the final section (3) by means of a vertical movement component of a pretensioning mechanism (8) relative to the draw-in mechanism (9).

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