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(54) **Method for moving a reel of packaging material from a storage station to a supply station of a packaging unit for producing sealed packages of food product, and clamping unit for clamping such reel**

(57) There is described a method for moving a reel (2) of packaging material from a storage station (3) to a supply station (4) of a packaging unit (5), comprising the steps of clamping a peripheral edge (6) of reel (2) by

using a pair of clamping elements (10) of a clamping unit (1), rotating clamping elements (10) relative to said reel (2), and supporting said reel (2) on the pair of clamping elements (10) by interacting with a portion (7) of reel (2) radially inner with respect to circumferential edge (6).

FIG. 1

