Upgrading to Gates GT®3 Synchronous Single-Sided Timing Belts

Transitioning from GT®2 to GT®3

SDP/SI is upgrading the GT®2 to the GT®3 single-sided timing belts. GT®3 timing belts offer an improved construction and material compound for superior load bearing capacity. This will be an ongoing change effective immediately. Since GT®3 is an equivalent and direct replacement for GT®2 there is no need to worry about any alteration to your drive system. The GT®2 and the GT®3 belts are compatible in fit, form and function.

As a valued customer we wanted to make you aware of this change and answer questions concerning this transition.

Will GT®3 belts look any different than GT®2?
No, the labeling is the only visible change.

Will SDP/SI keep GT®2 belts in the product line?
Single-sided GT®2 timing belts will no longer be manufactured by Gates. GT®2 single-sided timing belts will be available until inventory is depleted. Double-sided GT®2 timing belts will continue to be available.

When and how will this transition take place?
As inventories of GT®2 timing belts are depleted size by size, they will be replaced with the equivalently sized GT®3 belts. When a GT®2 belt is ordered the product number will switch to the GT®3 product number if stock is depleted for that size. Any future orders should be placed using the new GT®3 product number.

Is SDP/SI introducing new timing pulleys for the GT®3 belts?
No, the pulleys are not changing. GT®3 belts are designed to run with our current GT®2/GT®3 pulleys for peak performance.

Will SDP/SI allow returns on GT®2 belts in exchange for GT®3 belts?
No. GT®2 and GT®3 belts are compatible in fit, form and function, so there is no need for returns. Belt returns will not be accepted outside the normal return policies.

Will there be a price increase for GT®3 single-sided timing belts?
No. The current pricing will remain in place.

How will labeling on GT®3 appear?
GT®3 belts will be marked as such and new part numbers will show when applicable. GT®3 part numbers are the same as GT®2 part numbers except a “3” has been inserted following the “A”.
Example:
GT®2 part number: A 6R51M376090
GT®3 part number: A36R51M376090

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