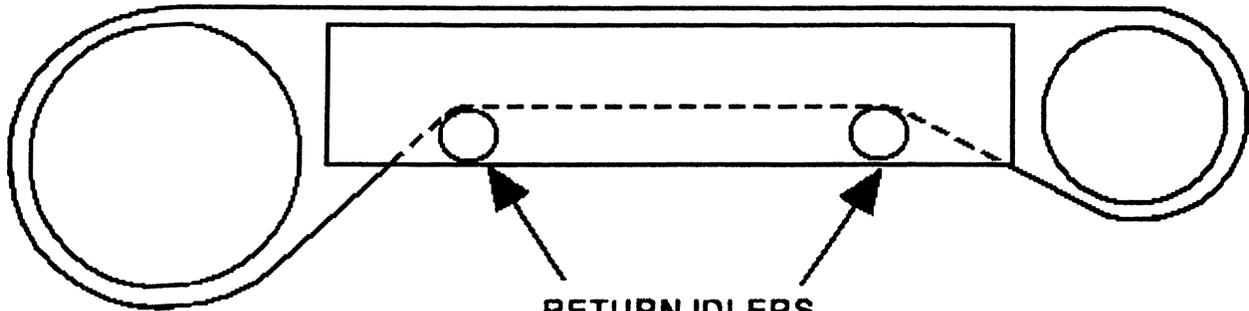


**WAC 296-806-42028 Guard nip points on belt conveyors.**

**EXEMPTION:** This rule does not normally require guards along the conveyor at the point where the belt rides on return rollers, such as return-belt idlers, unless hazardous conditions such as long, tight heavy belts exist.

**Return-belt idlers**



**RETURN IDLERS**

These turn freely and just idle.

You must place nip point guards at **all** of these points:

- (1) Where the belt wraps around the pulley.
- (2) At terminals, take-ups, and snub rollers where the belt changes directions at transfers and deflectors.
- (3) At the discharge end.
- (4) At other points where workers may be injured by nip or shear points.

**Note:** The practice of applying a belt dressing or other foreign material to a rotating drive pulley or a conveyor belt is hazardous and should be avoided.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 49.17.010, 49.17.040, 49.17.050, 49.17.060. WSR 15-24-102, § 296-806-42028, filed 12/1/15, effective 1/5/16; WSR 04-14-028, § 296-806-42028, filed 6/29/04, effective 1/1/05.]