Energy Saving Mobile Cart Dryers

Mobile Drying and Conveying systems eliminate the need for machine-mounted hoppers by placing all components on a safe, convenient cart.

Set-up, pre-drying, clean-out and maintenance can all take place without tying up valuable process machine time, or climbing on the machine.

The M-dX system integrates an efficient Carousel Plus™ Dryer with a conveying blower, dust collector and direct-feed vacuum receiver to convey with dry air to the throat of a processing machine. The self-loading option adds an integral hopper loader which allows the M-dX to load itself. If you don’t need dry-air conveying, order a non-dry air conveying M-dX with a dryer and hopper, and add a self-contained vacuum loader.

Mobile Performance for Up to 200 lbs/hr, No Cooling Water Needed

These Carousel Plus™ M-dX models are small enough to be used beside the machine.

M-dX units feature true closed-loop drying and conveying technology to eliminate moisture that can cause defects in parts. You can dry at temperatures up to 375°F (191°C) and at throughput rates of 150 to more than 200 pounds per hour (68.0 – 90.7 kg/hr).

The Carousel Plus Dryers use molecular sieve desiccant that is bonded into a fiberglass substrate and formed into a continuously rotating wheel. The result is rock steady drying temperatures and dewpoint levels, critical for processing moisture and temperature sensitive material.

Now designed with an air-to-air aftercooler, this dryer does not require cooling water, saving additional costs. Which adds more to the good looks and space-saving design of the Carousel Plus Dryers.

- **Simple to use, advanced touchscreen controls**
  The DC-C control on the M-dX dryers makes controlling your drying and conveying easier than ever. The 4-inch Plus or, 7-inch Premium touchscreen control has descriptive help screens for operators and features detailed trending screens, auto start capabilities, password protection and has Milacron’s Drying Monitor capabilities built into the DC-C Premium control (requires the appropriate hardware).

- **Closed-loop drying/conveying**
  Each unit provides drying temperatures up to 375°F (191°C), automatic desiccant regeneration and dewpoints of -40°F (-40°C).

- **No-downtime material changes**
  With a spare M-dX system, material changes are fast. Roll one unit to the processing machine, while another heats and pre-dries material for the next run.

- **Maximum uptime, maximum reliability, smaller footprint**
  With significantly reduced part count, easy access and less wear, you can expect many years of trouble-free operation. The weight of the desiccant assembly has been reduced by 70%, the part count reduced by 90%. There are no more indexing bed plates, no more cumbersome 4-way valves and no more messy desiccant beads.

- **Precise, adjustable dewpoint control**
  The dewpoint control option built into the microprocessor control system allows you to select a particular dewpoint value, which the control locks onto and maintains. The control then adjusts various dryer functions to precisely hold the dewpoint selected, virtually eliminating any chance of overdrying expensive material.
How it Works

The core of the Carousel Plus Dryer is the Munters® unique fluted desiccant rotor, which is made of molecular sieve desiccant. The molecular sieve has been grown into the rotor’s porous fiberglass substrate, preventing desiccant break down and dusting over time.

The desiccant rotor revolves slowly at the rate of 12 revolutions per hour passing through three cycles with each revolution.

The Benefits

- The high airflow across the rotor surface area produces a resin-drying low dewpoint within five minutes of start-up and offers multi-year media life with virtually no maintenance.
- The continuously revolving rotor provides rock steady temperature and dewpoint control.
- The rotor technology minimizes energy consumption by reducing the structural mass. Less structural mass to heat means less energy wasted.

01
The dry air is dehumidified in the adsorption cycle, capturing and removing moisture from the drying air stream.

02
The desiccant passes into the high temperature regeneration cycle; absorbed moisture is heated and purged out of the desiccant to the atmosphere.

03
The desiccant is then advanced to the post regeneration cooling cycle and cooled with closed loop dry air. This unique closed loop cooling technology eliminating moisture that can cause defects in parts.

Recommended Throughputs (60 Hz chart)*

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<tr>
<th>Material</th>
<th>Drying Temp / °F / °C</th>
<th>Drying Time / Hr</th>
<th>Initial Moisture</th>
<th>Bulk Density / g/cm³</th>
<th>Model Throughput Rate / Lb/Hr</th>
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<td>ABS</td>
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<td>0.40</td>
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<td>PBT</td>
<td>210-260 (99-127)</td>
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<td>PE (HD/LD) w/40% black</td>
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For 50 Hz Application, Reduce Rates by 17%

Select the right dryer for your application

1. Identify the resin and throughput rate. Use the chart to quickly select the correct dryer model for your throughput rate.
2. Multiply the suggested drying time by your throughput rate to determine the hopper size. Refer to Milacron drying hopper specifications, or contact a Milacron representative to determine the correct hopper for your application.
3. Select the dryer model and options to suit your application. Carousel Plus™ models can be used for individual station or central drying applications.

Specification Notes

* Material throughputs are based on typical virgin material with initial moisture content as supplied by the material suppliers. Consult Milacron if specific initial and final moisture content of your material are known for your application.

† The parameters of drying temperature and time may vary depending upon the type, grade and manufacturer of the material being processed. Consult your material supplier for their precise recommendations.

‡ Unit of measurement for bulk density is lb/ft³ (g/cm³). Bulk density listed is the nominal weight for typical pellets. The bulk density may vary somewhat depending upon the size and shape of the pellets. The bulk density of regrind may vary widely depending upon the size and the shape of the flake. Be sure to consider the bulk density of the material when selecting and the drying time desired.

§ Throughputs will vary by type of material. Consult Milacron concerning throughputs for materials that are not listed here.

** All Milacron Dryers are equipped with an aftercooler as standard. The aftercooler reduces the temperature of the return air from the drying hopper, improving the efficiency of the desiccant. If using the water-cooled aftercooler option, the aftercooler must be connected to supply water with the proper flow rate and temperature.
Save time and money from the aggravation of improperly dried material. The Drying Monitor automatically monitors the heat profile inside your drying hopper with a 6-zone temperature probe, to protect resin from over or under-drying. A control alarm and a light tower alert if proper drying is in jeopardy. Advanced notice provides time to correct issues instead of wasted drying and product defects from common issues like: failed or out-of-place process temperature probe, an improperly sized hopper or dryer for the application, lack of resin or loading equipment failure, reduced airflow from dirty filters, kinked hoses and other obstructions, unplanned throughput change and loss of power. Your DC-C Premium control will alarm on most dryer-related problems, but the Drying Monitor goes further to report proper drying happening inside the drying hopper. Available on models M-dX50 and above.

**Feature Descriptions**

- **Audible and visual alarm** - A combination of a blinking red alarm light and a horn alert the operator to any shut down alarm.
- **Temperature setback** - Automatically reduces the drying temperature to a lower standby mode when the machine throughput is reduced or stopped. *Standard on DC-C Premium controls, optional on DC-C Plus.
- **Dewpoint monitor and control**
- **Energy Usage Meter**
- **Audible and Visual alarm**
- **VNC viewer**
- **Air-to-air heat exchange**
- **Predictive maintenance**
- **Phase detection**

**Available options**

- **Drying Monitor**
- **Vacuum Conveying**
- **Number of vacuum receivers**
- **Ratio loading**
- **Purge**
- **Vacuum fill**
- **Modbus TPC Communications**
- **H2O flow control**
- **UL option**
- **Process filter check**
- **Volatile trap**
- **Precooler**
- **Dry air conveying**
- **Hopper loading (+ ratio)**
- **Water-cooled aftercooler**

Refer to the specification table on the next page for standard and optional hopper sizes for each M-dX dryer.
Specifications

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When to use additional filtration

The standard return air cartridge filter is sized for the airflow of each dryer model and is suited for most applications. You should consider adding an optional dust collector and/or volatile trap if:

- The material contains excessive fines. An additional dust collector or cyclone will extend time between filter cleaning.
- The material produces volatiles during drying which condense into a waxy or oily residue. A volatile trap will help to protect the desiccant.

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Performance characteristics (with full hopper)

- Drying temperature: 150°F - 375°F (66°C - 191°C)
- Dewpoint: -40°F (-40°C)
- Standard conveying distance: 8 ft (2.44 m) vertical; 6 ft (1.83 m) horizontal
- Long distance conveying option: 15 ft (4.57 m) vertical; 50 ft (15.24 m) horizontal

Dimensions - inches (cm)

| A - Height to top of hopper (standard) | 123.3 (313.2) | 129 (327.6) |
| A - Height to top of hopper (optional) | 137.4 (348.9) | 139.1 (353.3) |
| C - Overall width | 55 (139.8) | 56 (142.2) |
| D - Depth | 75.4 (191.5) | 81.4 (206.7) |

Outlet diameter | 5.0 (12.7) |

Approximate weight - lbs (kg)

- Standard dryer installed: 840 (381)
- Standard dryer shipping: 1512 (686)

Voltage - Full load amps† (standard/long conveying distance)

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<th>Voltage</th>
<th>230 V/3 phase/60 Hz</th>
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Total kilowatts†† kW (std./long)

- 7.5/6.6
- 9.4/10.5

Water-cooled requirements (for optional aftercooler or precooler)‡

| Recommended temperature** | 45° - 85°F (7.2° - 29.4°C) |
| Water flow gal./min. (liters/min.) | 1 (4.6) |
| Water connections | 3/4 inch NPT |

Application Notes

- Driers running at 50 Hz will have 17% less airflow, and a 17% reduction in material throughput.
- Total kW listed at a process setpoint of 250°F (121°C) and a regeneration temperature of 350°F (177°C).
- When drying below 150°F (66°C) a precooler is required.
- When ambient temperature is above 110°F (43°C) and drying above 375°F (191°C) a water-cooled aftercooler is required.

**Temperatures above or below the recommended levels may affect dryer performance. Tower, chiller, or municipal water sources can be used.

† FLA data for reference purposes only. Does not include any options or accessories on equipment. For full FLA detail for power circuit design of specific machines and systems, refer to the electrical diagrams of the equipment order and the nameplate applied to the machine.

Specifications may change without notice. Consult a Milacron representative for the most current information.

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TLR Tube Loader (machine loader) DuraLoad DL12 (hopper loader)

Outlet diameter 2 in. (5.1 cm)

inlet diameter 1.5 in. (3.8 cm)

A - Receiver diameter 4.5 in. (11.4 cm)
F - Height with viewing chamber
4 lb. (1.8 kg) 23.7 in. (60.2 cm)

G - Receiver diameter 12.0 in. (30.5 cm)
H - Height 29.3 in. (74.4 cm)
H - Height above mounting plate 17.4 in. (44.2 cm)

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Front view

Side view

Outlet diameter 2 in. (5.1 cm)

inlet diameter 1.5 in. (3.8 cm)

E - Receiver diameter 4.5 in. (11.4 cm)
F - Height with viewing chamber
4 lb. (1.8 kg) 23.7 in. (60.2 cm)

G - Receiver diameter 12.0 in. (30.5 cm)
H - Height 29.3 in. (74.4 cm)
H - Height above mounting plate 17.4 in. (44.2 cm)

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