

Largest U.S. Source Of Round Baler Belts

"We're the largest supplier of round baler belts in the U.S. Most of our belts are from the original supplier. We have every belt made for every baler made in stock. In some cases, we can save farmers up to \$800 on complete sets of original belts," says Don Hammond about his vast stock and bargain basement prices on baler belts.

"We have diamond top belts with new heavy duty hinged plate lace for John Deere balers".

Hammond says he can also fill 99 percent of Vermeer baler parts from stock year around. "This is our 37th year in the belting business," he adds. Shipping on belting is free to 48 states, same day as ordered.

"Call or write for the best prices on belts in North America," says Hammond.

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You can visit Hammond Equipment on the internet at www.balerbelts.com. All of the company's belting is made in the U.S.

Carbide-Tipped Chain Saw Chains

Equip your chain saw with a carbide-tipped chain and it'll stay sharp up to 15 to 25 times longer than a conventional chain in tough cutting conditions, says Rick Fowler, Rapco Industries, Inc., Vancouver, Wash.

The company is a leading supplier of chain saw chains for specialty cutting applications.

The carbide-tipped chains are available in nearly all pitches and gauges to fit most chain saws, and can be customized to specific cutting requirements.

"Carbide-tipped chains aren't new - we've been selling them for more than 27 years. Our main customers are fire departments, construction crews, and anyone who does demolition work," says Fowler. "However, farmers and ranchers can benefit from them, too. They work great for cutting abrasive wood such as fallen trees, removing tree stumps and roots, railroad ties, and so forth. They also work great for cutting firewood. When a conventional chain accidentally contacts the ground, you'll get a dull chain right away. That won't happen with a carbide chain. They also work great when cutting along fence rows, where trees have grown



Carbide-tipped saw chains stay sharp much longer than conventional chains, and don't have to be replaced as often.

into the fences and you might run into nails or wire.

"One customer told us he uses his carbide-tipped chain to cut cedar trees growing out of rocks, where it was impossible for him to keep from catching the chain on a rock now and then. They also work great for cutting through plastic and fiber."

Carbide-tipped chains cost about six times more than standard steel chains, says

Fowler. "We sell the chains for \$2.00 per drive link, which typically works out to about \$144.00 per chain. A conventional chain sells for about 35 cents per drive link, which works out to about \$20 to \$25 per chain. However, to many people the labor saved in not having to sharpen chains all the time and not having to replace them as often is worth the extra cost."

The company offers two types of carbide-tipped chains. Fowler recommends either the Camfer or Chisel style for farmers and ranchers.

The chains are resharpenable, but you have to use a diamond sharpener which the company sells for \$5.45 plus S&H.

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