

CASE STUDY

When Reliability and Efficiency are Paramount

The Challenge

Walkers Shortbread has grown from strength to strength, with their products being sold in more than 60 countries all over the world.

The Company has built a new 70,000 sq ft factory to support its four existing Speyside factories, which last year manufactured over 50 million packets of shortbread.

The new facility needs a reliable, energy efficient air compressor system to power pneumatically operated bakery machinery and instrumentation.

Results

Walkers operates from one of Europe's most modern bakeries, combining new technology, quality ingredients and traditional methods, to produce an expanding range.

Significantly all the equipment provided has proven reliability and will help to reduce the factory's overall energy costs, as well as having saved valuable space because of the compressors small footprint.

It also complies with the British Retail Consortium new guide lines for the use of compressed air with in the food industry.

Client Testimonial

"A reliable supply of clean dry air, using the most energy efficient equipment was our paramount requirement for the new factory" says James Walker, CBE, Director of Walkers Shortbread, "and this is exactly what has been delivered. Thanks to our long standing association with Airchannel, we were able to have confidence in them getting us the equipment to suit our needs, letting us get on with what we have become world famous for."

Airchannel's solution

Airchannel has developed a 20 year working relationship with Walkers, always on-hand to offer advice on equipment when it is needed.

A dependable duty/standby compressor system, with downstream equipment is essential to supply clean, efficient, dry compressed air.

After understanding their requirements, Airchannel planned a precise package to suit the needs, recommending Hydrovane variable speed air compressors with "food grade" coolant; low dewpoint energy efficient desiccant type dryers; filtration and activated carbon towers; with a Transair advanced aluminium tubing system supplying energy efficient compressed air around the new factory.



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