

Truckmixer chute upgrade to TruckFlex: 4 x wear life (and still operational)

The Challenge: Seamless Sleeve rubber truckmixer charge chutes at Mark Bates & Sons Ltd dry batch plant required replacement every 1.5 years. Despite the long wear life, every time a chute needed changing it required one hour of downtime, £250 labour costs and time consuming administration associated with working at height. To reduce the risk of working at height and further reduce the costs and downtime when changing the chute, we recommended upgrading to TruckFlex.



Our Solution: TruckFlex truckmixer charge chute

Key Features: Dual layer Hawiflex® polyurethane combats abrasion from concrete & tearing caused by trucks

Improvement: **Seamless Sleeve:** 1.5 years wear life
TruckFlex: 6 years wear life and still operational

Benefits:

- Cost effective** - low whole life cost
- Productivity** - reduced maintenance downtime installing new chutes
- Safety** - reduced need to work at height
- Wear indicator** - bi-colour wear indicator alerts operators when the chute needs replacing
- Operator friendly** - high visibility colouring ensures better truck positioning

“Although the Seamless Sleeve charge chute lasted a good length of time, the TruckFlex has been fantastic. It’s eradicated the hidden costs and downtime associated with changing the charge chutes. Because it’s lasted so long, it’s also reduced the need to work at height, which makes the job a lot safer.” Mark Bates

