Haulage Systems
Product Overview
Shuttle cars

The role of haulage equipment is to efficiently remove the cut material from the working face in such a manner as to enhance the performance of the continuous miner and maximize the productivity of the overall section. Joy Global fully understands this role and proactively works with the mining industry to provide comprehensive "system" solutions to suit individual application needs.

Since the introduction of our first shuttle car in 1938, Joy shuttle cars continue to be the mainstay of the industry for batch haulage vehicles. Their exceptional reliability, low operating cost and sustained high levels of productivity are unmatched. Through the extensive use of sophisticated computer-aided design systems, Joy shuttle cars continue to develop, evolve and improve.

Heavy duty by design

Underground mines are tough places for haulage vehicles to operate – Joy shuttle cars are designed to meet the challenge. Every element of a Joy shuttle car is engineered to balance performance and efficiency.

Joy shuttle cars have a heavy-duty, high-power drive train that enables them to haul loads in extremely arduous conditions. The permanent four-wheel drive system is powered by two 85kW VFD AC traction motors (50kW in lower seam models). Wheel units have been upgraded to be more robust and durable and the cast pivot axes are virtually indestructible. A four-wheel independent suspension system is also available to help maintain higher tram speeds and improve the operator’s comfort on uneven and/or broken roadways.

The Joy shuttle car chassis and rolling gear are designed using Finite Element Analysis (FEA) techniques to find the optimal balance of volumetric load, vehicle dimensions, load-carrying ability and fatigue life. Heavy-duty conveyor reducers and abrasion-resistant conveyor decking further improve reliability and durability.

Increased production

Taking it to the next level...

With over 100 units in the field today, Joy shuttle cars are available with an optional remote control system. Remote control permits design options on the shuttle car, new unmanned, can follow the miner in unsupported roof. This significantly improves the overall productivity of a room and pillar section.

Optidrive

The Optidrive AC Variable Frequency Drive System integrates electrical, software, electronic and mechanical systems to provide every Joy shuttle car with a wealth of performance-enhancing features:

- Increased Tram Speed - The maximum vehicle tram speed is now at the statutory limit of 6 mph (9.6 km/hr). This is approximately a 50% increase over previous drive systems and translates into more haulage trips per shift. The Optidrive system also significantly increases the tractive effort available, improving the shuttle car’s ability to climb gradients and negotiate difficult roadway conditions.
- Regenerative Braking - Automatic regenerative braking by the electric motors supplements the mechanical brakes allowing the latter to run cooler with extended wear life. Regenerative braking is also highly effective at automatically maintaining the shuttle car at a constant speed when descending gradients.
- Better Speed Control - With infinitely variable tram speed capability, operators are easily able to precisely control the shuttle car’s speed. Smooth acceleration and deceleration leads to less operator fatigue and the ability to creep the shuttle car forward behind the miner during the cutting cycle, preventing damage caused by inadvertent machine contact.
- Less Maintenance - AC traction motors are typically more reliable, more durable and require less maintenance than DC traction motors because there are no commutator brushes to inspect and replace.

Operator comfort

JoyRide™ the latest in shuttle car suspension...

Joy shuttle car four-wheel independent suspension systems are available on select models and are recommended for applications with uneven and/or broken roadways. Each wheel rides on struts that compress and absorb the energy associated with a bump, in doing so reducing the energy transmitted to the rest of the car and the operator. Less energy transferred to the operator means being able to more comfortably maintain higher shuttle car speeds with less fatigue. Similarly, less energy transferred to the chassis means less structural damage and longer overall machine working life.

Joy Global history

Tradition in quality and pride...

With over 17,500 units shipped since 1938, the Joy shuttle car is the most prolific batch haulage vehicle in the underground mining industry. This success is a result of a tradition of quality and pride in how Joy Global products are designed, engineered and built. This tradition endures today and Joy shuttle cars are expected to continue to lead the industry in terms of safety, productivity and cost-effectiveness well into the future.
### Joy shuttle cars

#### General specifications

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Battery haulers

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has an independent traction drive design, the AC-VFD control system provides the reliability and availability benefits that customers have come to value in the DC-Lionetics control system. Advanced diagnostics on all AC-VFD models can be queried directly from the machine display to reduce the time required to troubleshoot and repair a machine. Data logging and data acquisition allows for enhanced machine diagnostics as well as providing more user-friendly and focused preventative maintenance programs.

Auto-loading position

The ejector bed retract cycle has been completely automated. Following an off-load, the operator presses the “auto-load” button to commence the sequence and is then free to focus on tramming back to the miner. Using pressure transducers, the control system sequences the retract process through to completion, pausing only when hydraulic pressure is required for steering. This simultaneous tram and retract process saves significant time and increases the number of trips possible during a shift.

High-efficiency hydraulics

The hydraulic system on AC-VFD battery haulers has been redesigned to minimize resistance to the flow of fluid through piping and valves. Consequently, faster hydraulic functions create 20% shorter discharge and retract time intervals and more responsive steering. Decreased load on the pump improves motor efficiency indicated by a 40% reduction in pump motor temperature. Ultimately, the overall benefit is a 10-12% increase in battery life.

AC-VFD control

The AC-VFD control system is the latest and most advanced battery hauler control system and is available on all Joy battery hauler models. The benefits of the AC-VFD control system relate to improved electrical efficiency and/or operational performance:

Electrical efficiency benefits

- An AC-VFD-equipped hauler has a 240V battery. By doubling the supply voltage from the battery, current draw and associated thermal losses are reduced.
- The electronically-activated steering assist feature promotes smooth and easy steering and relieves undue stress on motors, drive train and tire assemblies.
- Both of the above reduce consumption of energy, ultimately extending the life of the battery and minimizing the number of battery changes over time.

Operational performance benefits

- Regenerative braking assists operators in maintaining a safe speed on declines while reducing the wear on brakes.
- Brushless AC-traction motors require minimal maintenance and are highly reliable. This increases machine availability by reducing associated downtime and maintenance.
- The VFD drive in conjunction with AC traction motors provides increased maximum torque to the wheels allowing the machine to ascend steeper inclines under load. Combined with existing vertical articulation and two-wheel hydraulic assist capabilities, the increased torque makes the AC-VFD battery hauler the most capable vehicle of its kind.
- Although the top-end speed of the VFD-AC controlled machine is equal to that of the DC-Lionetics machine, the AC-VFD machine will maintain a higher average rate of speed during the duty cycle through the joint benefits of the increased efficiencies in the electronics and hydraulic systems of the AC-VFD machine package.

DC-Lionetics control system

Where mining conditions do not require the performance benefits of the AC-VFD drive, the DC-Lionetics becomes the preferred control system. The DC-Lionetics Control System has also been improved to maximize its efficiency and operational performance. The 128V battery powers left and right traction control modules. Compared to previous DC control systems, the drives have a higher current rating and improved long-term reliability and, being independent, should either side become compromised, the other side remains operational and the machine remains mobile. The Lionetics system has improved diagnostic capabilities and all motors have current- and thermal-overload protection. Infinite variable tram speed control and an improved cab layout promote operator comfort and reduced fatigue levels.
### Joy Global

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- **BH-10**
  - **Rated load capacity**
    - Low-seam applications (AC or DC model available):
      - 11.4 tonne
      - 12.5 ton
    - Mid-seam applications (AC or DC model available):
      - 16.4 tonne
      - 18 ton
    - High-seam applications (AC or DC model available):
      - 18.2 tonne
      - 20 ton
  - **Overall length**
    - 1183 cm
    - 1183 cm
    - 1183 cm
  - **Overall width - tractor**
    - 38 ft 10 in
    - 41 ft
    - 38 ft 10 in
  - **Overall width - trailer**
    - 11 ft 7 /¼ in
    - 12 ft 4 in
    - 12 ft 4 in
  - **Chassis thickness**
    - 50.8 cm
    - 50.8 cm
    - 50.8 cm
  - **Tire size**
    - 10.00 x 15 Duals tractor
    - 18L20 - 111.8 cm
    - 17.5R25 - 140 cm
  - **Ground clearance**
    - 18 cm
    - 229 or 279 mm
    - 1257 mm
  - **Minimum canopy height**
    - 94 cm
    - 7 in
    - 49 ½ in
  - **Lay down tailgate**
    - Optional
    - Standard
    - Standard
  - **Sideboard height**
    - 17.5 cm
    - 17.5 cm
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  - **Overall height @ top of sideboard**
    - 87.6 cm
    - 86.4 cm
    - 86.4 cm
  - **Sideboard height**
    - 92.7 cm
    - 92.7 cm
    - 92.7 cm
  - **Overall height @ top of battery**
    - 506 cm
    - 16 ft 7 /¼ in
    - 16 ft 7 /¼ in
  - **Wheel base**
    - 5.76 m
    - 18 ft 10 ¾ in
    - 18 ft 10 ¾ in
  - **Optimum Seam Height of Operation (OAH)**
    - 1.0 m to 1.5 m
    - 40 in to 60 in
    - 137 to 1981 mm
  - **Inside turning radius**
    - 3.0 m
    - 10 ft 0 in
    - 10 ft 0 in
  - **Outside turning radius**
    - 7.1 m
    - 23 ft 6 ½ in
    - 23 ft 6 ½ in
  - **Minimum entry turn**
    - 4.9 m
    - 16 ft 3 ½ in
    - 16 ft 3 ½ in
  - **Frame articulation**
    - 25 degrees - 15 up and 10 down
    - 25 degrees - 15 up and 10 down
    - 25 degrees - 15 up and 10 down
  - **Steering articulation angle**
    - Total 120 degrees - 60 L and R
    - Total 120 degrees - 60 L and R
    - Total 110 degrees - 55 L and R
  - **Oscillation**
    - Ball bearing
    - 40 degree
    - 40 degree
  - **Tram speed**
    - 8.9.7 kph
    - 5.6 mph
    - 8.9.7 kph
  - **Brakes**
    - 4 wheel wet disc
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  - **Motors**
    - Pump motor - 128 V system (DC)
      - 17 kW
      - 37 kW
      - 17 kW
    - Pump motor - 240 V system (AC)
      - 37 kW
      - 37 kW
      - 37 kW
    - Traction motor - 128 V system (DC)
      - 30 kW x 2
      - 30kW x 2
      - 30 kW x 2
    - Traction motor - 240 V system (AC)
      - 75 kW x 2
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*The rated load capacity listed for each battery hauler model is the maximum amount the drive train and chassis are rated to haul. The actual carrying capacity is dependent on numerous factors, including but not limited to the trailer capacity, sideboard height, use of a tailgate, the density of the material as mined, the ability of the continuous miner to load into the hauler, the ground clearance selected, and the mining height.*
Chain haulage systems

Recognized as the most efficient method of moving mined material from the mine face for specific applications, the Joy Chain Haulage System (CHS) provides significant improvements in the areas of durability and reliability.

The Joy Chain Haulage system consists of four basic units: A breaker car module (BCM), conveyor bridge module (CBM), mobile bridge module (MBM) and rigid haulage system (RHS) or low frame. The system configuration and number of these units depends on individual mine application and production requirements.

High performance operation

Incorporating Joy Global proven design and construction techniques, the Joy Chain Haulage system is the most rugged continuous haulage system available and features quality components for the highest level of reliability. New maneuverability and mechanical improvements provide increased production across all applications.

- Improved visibility and reduced overall height on the breaker car module
- Narrow machine design
- Narrow pulley support section
- Maximum spillage control features
- Simplified electronics with optional diagnostics
- AC electric tram on the AC35 system
- Closed loop hydraulics on the HT25 system
- Improved cable handling system and optional cable handling dollies for incoming power and water services

Design features

New design features focus on increased reliability and durability through robust engineering and heavy duty components. The latest industry-leading features include electric tram on the AC35 system, replaceable wear strips on the crawler frames, chrome carbide overlay (CCO) conveyor decks, heavy duty crawler chains and heavy rated conveyor chains, to name a few. The AC35 system uses the same motors, VFDs, gearcases, and chains for the traction system as a 14CM15 Continuous Miner.

Modular approach to match your needs

The Joy CHS-AC35 and CHS-HT25 systems are designed to work with corresponding size Joy continuous miners for maximum production capabilities. System capacity allows for flexibility to modify throughputs as needs change.

Breaker car module

- Optional hydraulic or mechanical conveyor drives for varying applications

Conveyor bridge module

- Dual motor design
- 2.25 inch pitch conveyor chains

Mobile bridge module

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Maximum production capabilities

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Flexible conveyor train

The Joy Flexible Conveyor Train (FCT) is a truly continuous haulage system that eliminates any haulage related bottlenecks from typical underground continuous miner operations. By removing this restriction, the FCT allows today’s high-production continuous miners to operate at their maximum capacity. The key to the effectiveness of the FCT is its patented flexible conveyor and traction system that permits the FCT to be operated as one single unit. The ability to continuously convey material along its length while simultaneously tramming to follow the continuous miner’s every move, all with only one operator utilizing radio remote control, is a distinct advantage over all other types of haulage.

The productivity benefits of the FCT are equally applicable to coal-producing room and pillar and longwall development operations, as well as operations utilizing continuous miners to extract industrial minerals, such as salt, trona, potash and gypsum.

Machine safety

The Joy FCT flexible conveyor train significantly enhances overall mine safety. It combines all haulage into a single, relatively slow-moving machine that follows a known path of travel, and requires only one operator using remote-control. This reduction in the total number of mobile machines in the section reduces visibility concerns for batch haulage operators and the personnel working on batch haulage sections. Also, less material movement means greater dust control.

Machine performance

The FCT can convey coal at flow rates of up to 27 tons/minute (24.5 tonnes/minute) and salt, trona, gypsum or potash at up to 40 tons/minute (36.3 tonnes/minute). Infinitely variable control of conveyor belt speed permits maximum belt loading and minimum belt speed, consequently extending the wear life of the belt itself.

Material degradation is minimal due to there being no transfer points along the length of the FCT. The Optidrive variable frequency drive provides infinite speed control to the conveyor belt and lumpbreaker conveyor chain allowing each to be coordinated to prevent spillage.

The lumpbreaker front-end provides ample FCT maneuverability and the material sizing and metering functions not only control the flow on the FCT belt but also negate the need for a separate feeder-breaker in the section.

The Faceboss control system coupled with the Optidrive variable frequency drive provides soft-start functionality for the FCT traction and conveyor belt systems. This significantly reduces the wear and tear on these parts, extending their operating lives and reliability levels.

FCT/DMU configurations

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Operational benefits

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Joy Global history

Tradition in quality and pride...

With eight global patents, the Joy FCT is the only simultaneous tram-and-convey, single-operator, underground continuous haulage system available in the world today. The continuous pursuit of innovation, extensive design and testing practices, renowned built quality, and machine reliability has kept Joy Global as the world’s leader in underground mining systems and services for nearly an entire century.

Total control

Optidrive with Faceboss control...

The traction and belt chain conveyor motors on the FCT are driven by Optidrive and the overall system is controlled by Faceboss, Joy Global’s standard machine control platform. Faceboss includes a user-friendly, graphical interface with advanced diagnostic capabilities. The Optidrive system provides infinitely variable speed control which permits controlled ramp-up of traction and conveyor motors. Optidrive and Faceboss components used on the FCT are common and interchangeable with other similarly equipped Joy Global underground machines.
Joy Smart Solutions

Integrated JoySmart Solutions help solve customers' toughest challenges using data-driven intelligence, collaboration, and direct services customized to solve customers' toughest challenges. JoyGlobal service facilities have given world-class service a new home.

Joy Global service facilities are strategically located around the world in order to conveniently serve our customers. With each new service center built, Joy Global products and people are becoming more connected, allowing for expanded benchmarking. Located strategically in zones of mining activity, each service center brings local support that is world-class. Services offered are structured to fulfill the lifecycle of mining equipment, optimizing equipment for productivity and safety.

JoySmart Solutions at work:

Costs
• Lower cost per unit produced by reducing overall parts and consumables expenditures
• Optimize costs for power/fuel, labor and rebuilds

Safety
• Automate processes and controls
• Increase awareness through training and standard setting

Productivity
• Improve system availability, performance, utilization and consistency
• Leverage extensive Joy Global engineering knowledge to solve problems

JoySmart Solutions are integrations of smart connected JoyGlobal products and systems, advanced analytics, and direct services customized to solve customers’ toughest challenges.

JoySmart Service Centers are strategically located around the world to conveniently serve our customers. Our commitment to world-class service is delivered through world-class processes and metrics. Our Joy OpEx processes bring operational excellence by prioritizing the elimination of waste, simplifying processes, automating and removing people from harm’s way. We leverage those principles throughout our network, with the ability to rapidly customize locally, helping customers work smarter, worldwide.

General specifications

Joy FCT/DMU

DMU Side Discharge

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DMU Over the Top (OTT)

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