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For MTD Models 954-0486A, 754-0486, 954-0486, 754-0486A

## INTRODUCTION

This manual provides essential information for the proper identification, installation, and maintenance of your Stens 265-020 replacement belt. Designed for durability and reliability, this belt is a quality aftermarket replacement part for various MTD models. Adhering to these instructions will help ensure optimal performance and longevity of your equipment.



Image: Stens 265-020 Replacement Belt, packaged and ready for use.

## MEASURING YOUR REPLACEMENT BELT

Accurate measurement of your old belt is crucial for selecting the correct replacement. Belts are typically identified by their width and length. Please note that used belts may stretch over time, leading to slight variances in measurement compared to a new belt.

### 1. Measure Belt Width

To determine the width of your belt, use a standard tape measure. Place the tape measure across the top side of the belt. For accuracy, start measuring from the 1-inch mark on your tape measure. The Stens 265-020 belt has a width of 5/8-inch.

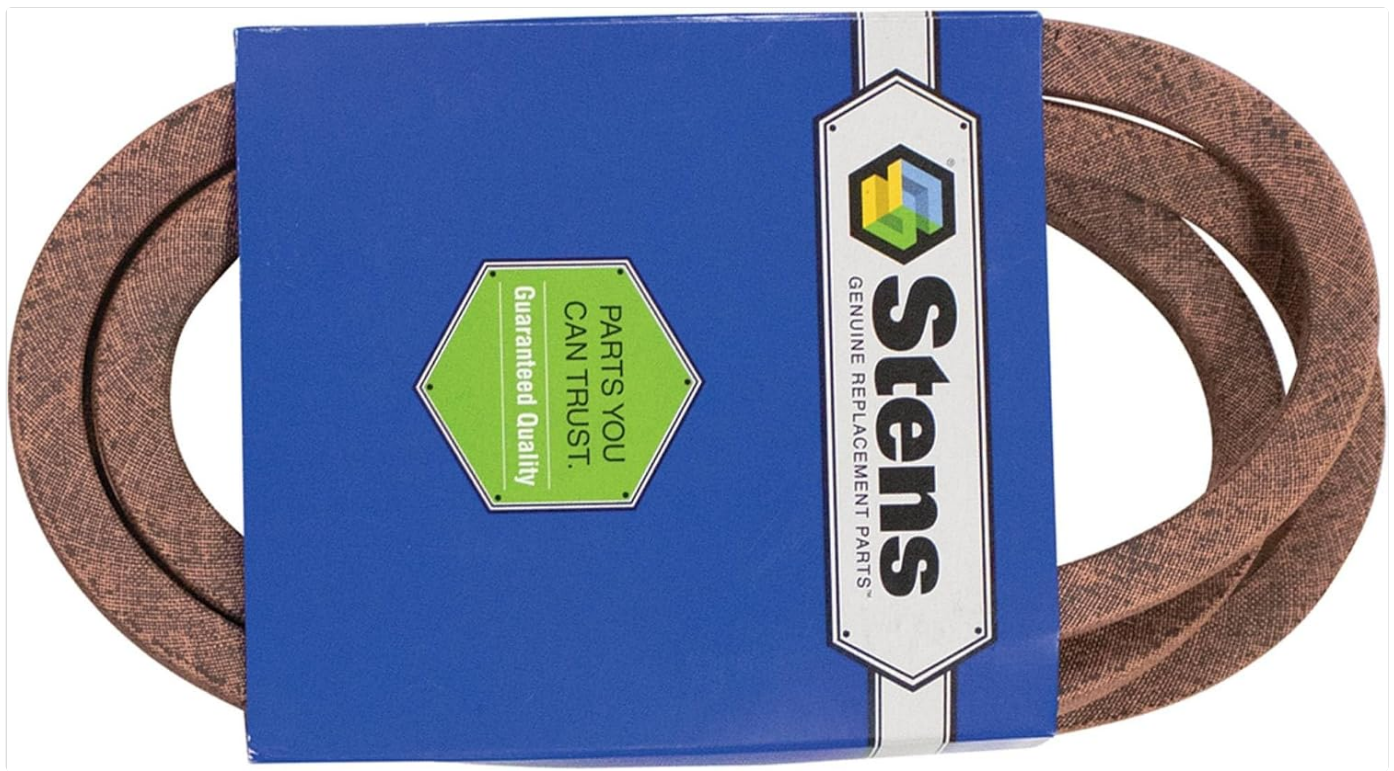


Image: A close-up view of the Stens replacement belt, showing its texture and construction.

## 2. Measure Belt Length

For precise length measurement, a flexible fabric tape measure or a specialized belt measurer (such as the Stens Belt Measurer Part No. 752-998) is recommended. These tools can follow the curves of the belt more accurately than a rigid tape measure. When using a belt measurer, insert the belt with the V-side down. The measurer has fixed and movable jaws. Bring the movable jaw down until the belt is snug. The measurer will indicate the belt type (e.g., L3 for 3/8", L4 for 1/2", L5 for 5/8") and its length. The Stens 265-020 belt has a length of 67 inches.

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Video: An instructional guide on how to accurately measure a belt's width and length using a tape measure and a specialized belt measurer. This video demonstrates the process for identifying the correct belt size.

## OPERATING GUIDELINES

The Stens 265-020 belt is designed to transmit power efficiently within your equipment. Proper installation is key to its effective operation. Ensure the belt is correctly seated in all pulleys and that tension is adjusted according to your equipment manufacturer's specifications. An improperly tensioned belt can lead to premature wear, slippage, or damage to other components. This belt is compatible with UTVs and various lawn mower applications, specifically replacing MTD part numbers 954-0486A, 754-0486, 954-0486, and 754-0486A. Always refer to your equipment's service manual for specific installation procedures and tensioning requirements.

## MAINTENANCE

Regular inspection and maintenance will extend the life of your Stens replacement belt and ensure consistent performance of your equipment.

- **Visual Inspection:** Periodically check the belt for signs of wear, cracking, fraying, glazing, or stretching. Replace the belt if any significant damage is observed.
- **Proper Tension:** Ensure the belt maintains correct tension as specified by your equipment manufacturer. Both overtightening and undertightening can cause issues.
- **Cleanliness:** Keep the belt and pulleys free from dirt, debris, oil, and grease. Contaminants can cause slippage and accelerate wear.

- **Pulley Alignment:** Verify that all pulleys are properly aligned. Misaligned pulleys can cause uneven wear and premature belt failure.



Image: A detailed view of the belt's surface, highlighting its durable construction designed for grip and longevity.

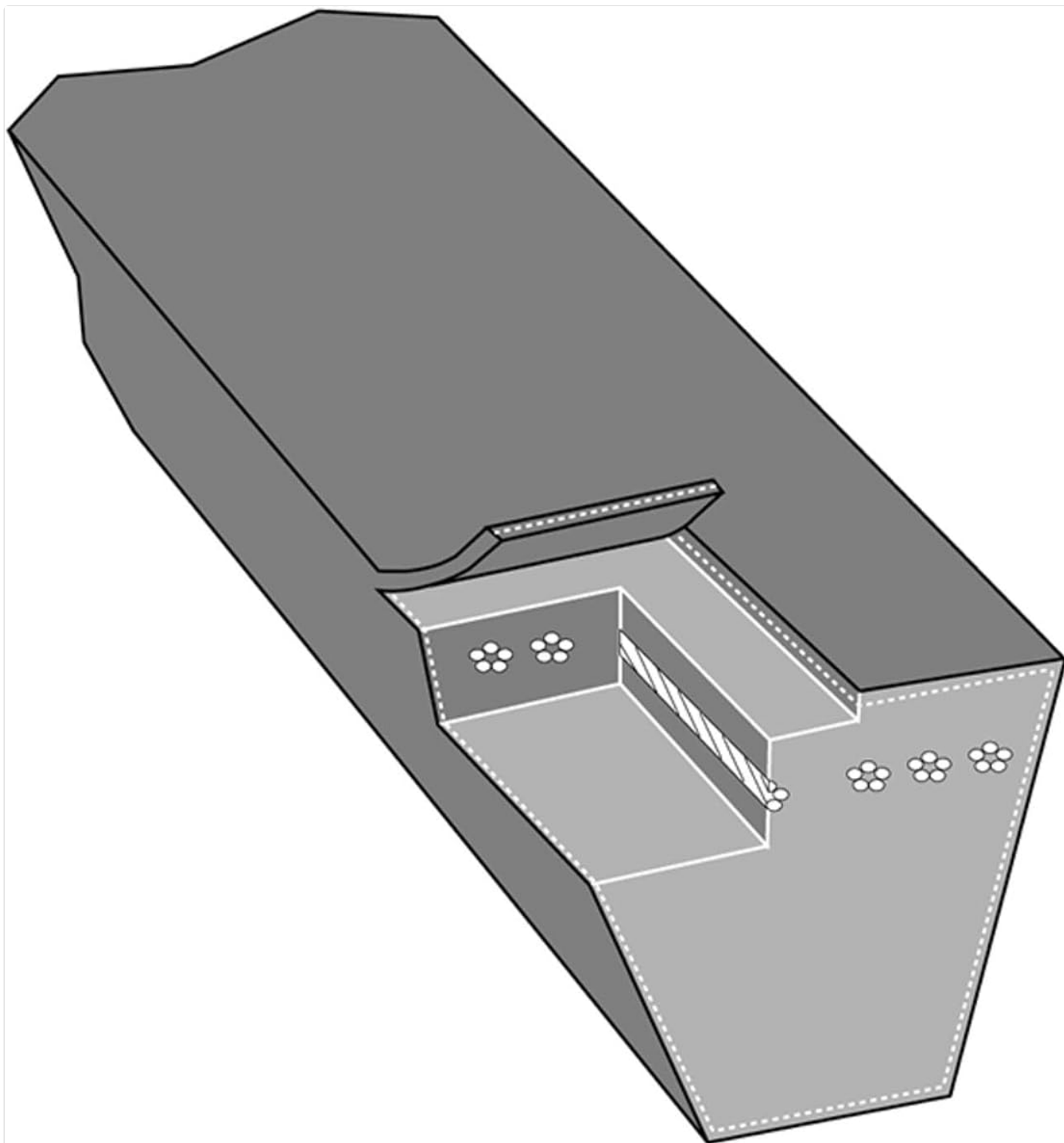
### TROUBLESHOOTING COMMON ISSUES

If you experience problems with your equipment's belt drive system, consider the following common issues:

- **Belt Slippage:** Often caused by incorrect tension (too loose), glazed belt surfaces, or oil/grease contamination. Check tension, clean the belt and pulleys, or replace if glazed.
- **Premature Belt Wear/Breakage:** Can result from improper tension (too tight or too loose), misaligned pulleys, worn pulleys, or foreign objects interfering with the belt path. Inspect all components and adjust or replace as necessary.
- **Noise (Squealing/Chirping):** Typically indicates slippage due to low tension, contamination, or a glazed belt. Address tension and cleanliness.
- **Vibration:** May be caused by an unevenly worn belt, damaged pulleys, or an unbalanced component. Inspect the belt and pulleys for damage.

### SPECIFICATIONS

|                            |                                                                 |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|
| Brand                      | Stens                                                           |
| Model Number               | 265-020                                                         |
| Material                   | Rubber                                                          |
| Product Dimensions (L x W) | 67"L x 0.63"W (5/8-inch)                                        |
| Belt Style                 | Covered Belt                                                    |
| Compatible Devices         | UTV, Lawn Mowers (MTD 954-0486A, 754-0486, 954-0486, 754-0486A) |
| Item Weight                | 0.65 Pounds                                                     |
| Unit Count                 | 1.000 Count                                                     |



# Covered

Image: Cross-section diagram illustrating the internal structure of a covered belt, showing its layers and reinforcement.

## WARRANTY INFORMATION

The Stens 265-020 replacement belt comes with a **1-year warranty** from the manufacturer. For specific details regarding warranty

claims, please refer to the official Stens warranty policy or contact Stens customer service.  
Additionally, this product is eligible for a **30-day refund/replacement return policy** through Amazon, fulfilled by Amazon.

## SUPPORT

For further assistance, technical support, or inquiries regarding your Stens 265-020 replacement belt, please contact Stens customer service directly. You may also consult a qualified service technician for professional installation or troubleshooting of your equipment.  
Visit the official Stens website or refer to your equipment's original manufacturer manual for additional information.

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