

# How to Choose the Right Twin-Screw Extruder for Your New Product?

Detail Introduction :

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Clients consulting about new projects often start by asking, "We want to make product XX, what kind of extruder should we buy?" This is indeed a crucial question. As the "heart" of many production lines, the proper selection of a twin-screw extruder directly affects the quality of future products, production efficiency, and operational stability. Today, Shandong Loyal Industrial Co., Intelligent Equipment will share practical examples to discuss the most important points to consider when selecting a twin-screw extruder.



## Step 1: Define Your "Product" and "Goals"

Before discussing equipment parameters, we need to get to the basics. Clear answers help us provide the most accurate advice:

What products do you mainly produce? (Is it breakfast cereals, textured protein food, or snacks?)

What is your expected stable production capacity? (Is it a few hundred kilograms per hour, or tons?)

What are the key requirements for the form and characteristics of your product? (For example, high or low density, crisp or soft, does it need to be resistant to soaking?)

What are your main raw materials? (Corn flour, rice flour, soybean meal, or a blend?) There are no standard answers to these questions, but they are the starting point for all technical discussions. For example, the requirements for equipment producing high-moisture textured protein is completely different from those in producing low-moisture puffed grains.



## Easily overlooked, yet far-reaching "soft power":

Design details and supporting services are equally important:

\* Ease of operation and safety: Is the control interface clear and intuitive? Is cleaning and maintenance convenient? Are safety protections adequate? These factors directly affect your future production efficiency and personnel safety.

\* Universality and supply guarantee of spare parts: Are there standard models? What are the key consumable parts (such as screw elements and thermocouples)? Can the supplier provide a long-term, stable supply at a reasonable price? We are committed to providing highly versatile designs and ensuring a long-term supply.

core components.

\* Supplier's process support capabilities: After purchasing the equipment, how do you adjust the process parameters? This is a pain point for many customers, especially newcomers. We provide not only a piece of equipment, but also basic process parameter debugging support based on our experience and operational maintenance training. Our pilot-scale experimental machine also provides customers with a valuable testing platform during new product development.



Practical Advice for You:

Don't blindly pursue maximum capacity or the highest configuration: the most suitable is the best. Matching your current and near-term development needs to controlling initial investment and achieving the best cost-effectiveness.

**Strongly Recommend Material Trial Runs:** If possible, bring your core raw materials to the equipment supplier for a trial run. This is the most direct way to verify whether the equipment can truly process your raw materials and produce the expected products, and it also provides a preliminary set of valuable process parameters.

**Consider Future Flexibility:** If you plan to expand your product line in the future (from pet food to snacks), you need to consider the adaptability of the equipment when choosing it. A more flexible configuration and wider adjustment range may be more economical in the long run.

**Comprehensive Supplier Evaluation:** In addition to the equipment itself, the supplier's technical experience, after-sales service response speed, and success stories in your industry are all important factors to consider. A reliable partner can make your production process much smoother.

Choosing a twin-screw extruder is an important investment decision. It is both a technological and a business choice. We hope that these practical tips will help clarify your thinking and make a more informed decision. Shandong Loyal Inc. Co., Ltd. has extensive project experience in the twin-screw extrusion puffing field. We are not just equipment sellers, but also partners who solve your production challenges. If you are selecting equipment for a new product line or have questions about upgrading existing equipment, please feel free to contact us. Let's sit down to discuss your specific products and goals in detail, and find the most suitable solution together.



## Reference

The following are five authoritative foreign literature websites in the field of Industrial food machinery:

1. Food Engineering Magazine

Website: <https://www.foodengineeringmag.com/>

2. Food Processing Magazine

Website: <https://www.foodprocessing.com/>

3. Journal of Food Engineering

Website: <https://www.journals.elsevier.com/journal-of-food-engineering>

4. Food Manufacturing Magazine

Website: <https://www.foodmanufacturing.com/>

5. International Journal of Food Science & Technology

Website: <https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/>