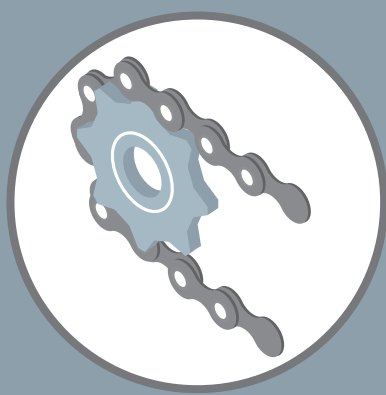


What to know about GARAGE DOOR OPENER MODELS

CHAIN DRIVE

Less expensive
and noisier



The most common, they operate with a chain drive and trolley system, moving on a metal track, to open and close the door.

They are the noisiest, due to the metal-to-metal contact and the vibrations during operation.

BELT DRIVE

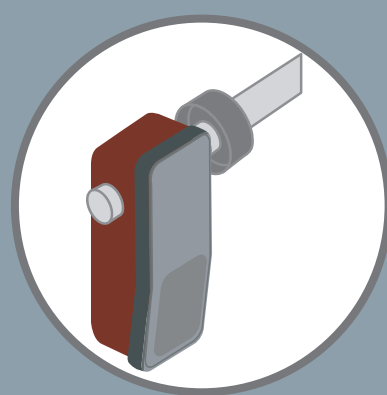
More expensive
and quieter



Operate similarly to a chain-drive opener but the mechanism uses a belt.

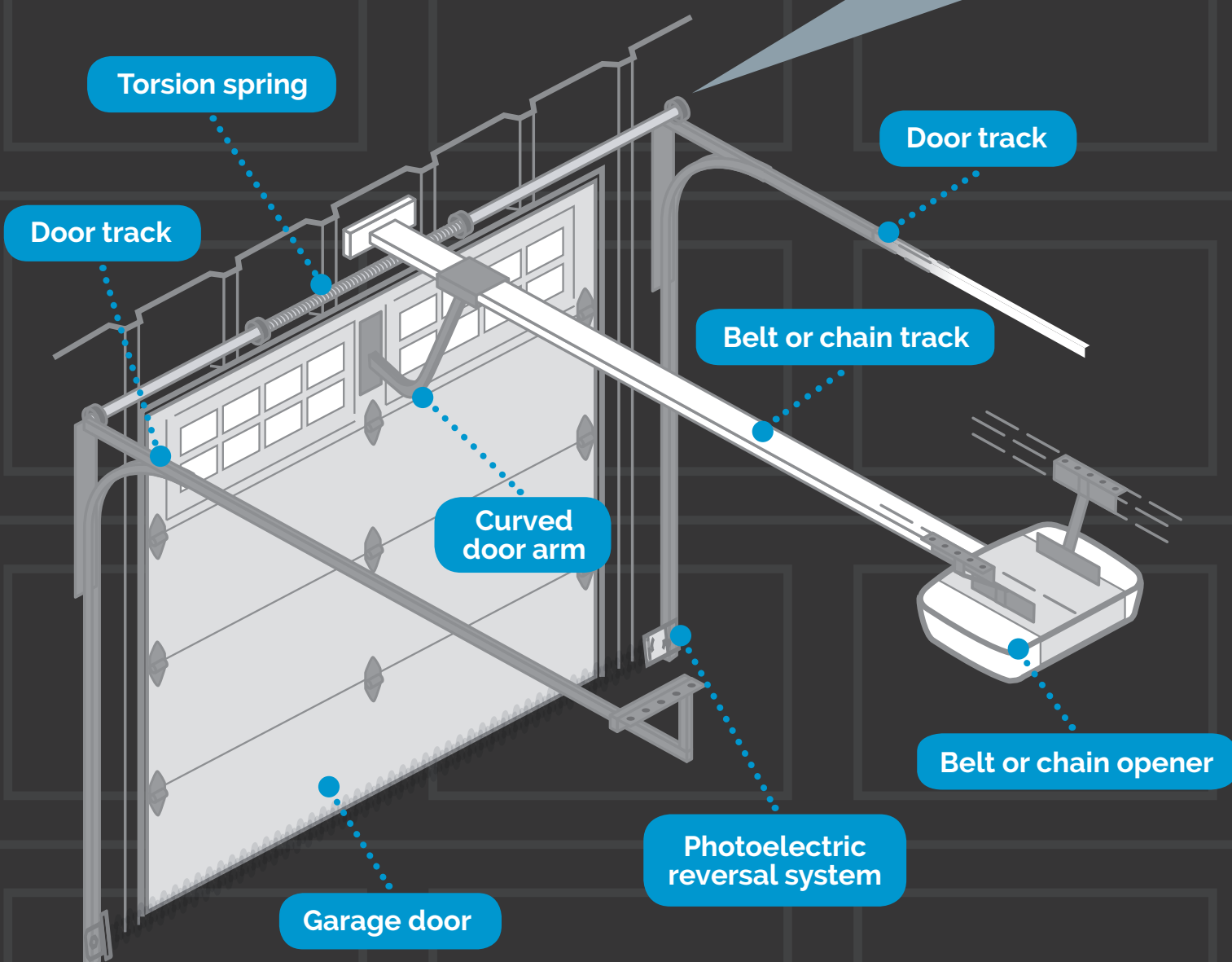
The belt is usually reinforced with metal wires.

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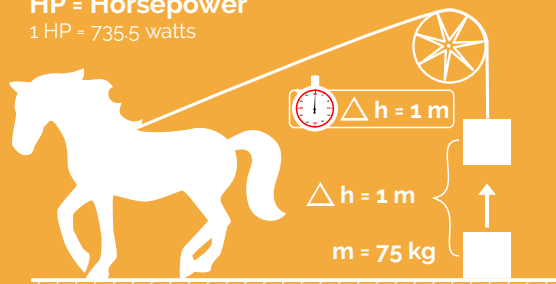
Wall-mounted next to the garage door, they allow more space for overhead storage.

They are quieter than chain or belt drives, but more expensive.



STRENGTH

HP = Horsepower
1 HP = 735.5 watts



DO I NEED A ¾ OR ½ HP MOTOR?

For most residential garage doors, an opener with a ½ HP motor is sufficient.

The use of a ¾ HP motor (more powerful) is recommended for heavy doors (very large or in solid wood).



DC OR AC MOTOR?

A DC motor allows a variable-speed door opener. It is slower at the start, speeds up then slows at the end. The speed of an AC motor never varies, making it less quieter than a DC.

In order to add an emergency backup battery to a door opener, it must be a DC motor.

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