

ACTIVANT **The Paperless Warehouse**



Increase Efficiency, Lower Costs and Improve Service with Optimized Warehouse Management

The Paperless Warehouse® (TPW) from Activant is a full-featured warehouse operations management system designed to streamline inventory receiving, picking, delivery, monitoring, and operations control within a warehouse. Helping to raise distribution businesses to the next level in performance and competitiveness, TPW can optimize operations by dramatically increasing efficiency, improving accuracy, and enhancing customer service.

Growing Pressures on Distributors

Operational costs, parts proliferation, order processing requirements, and customer demands are steadily increasing throughout the industry. Distributors have to deal with more complex operations while trying to find an effective way to drive down costs and please customers. Compressed margins mean that inventory management has to be more accurate than ever before. With rising personnel costs, distributors need to find new ways to increase productivity rather than add staff. At the same time, customers expect faster service and error-free orders. In short, distributors need to optimize operations throughout the warehouse to remain competitive.

Optimized Warehouse Management

TPW virtually eliminates inefficient and sometimes inaccurate paperwork in picking, shipping and inventory control, thereby increasing profits while improving customer service. In addition, powerful capabilities such as radio frequency (RF) communications and mobile bar code scanning help streamline operations and improve productivity. Employees are more productive, errors are reduced, managers can monitor employee activities and allocate resources more efficiently, and parts can be received, stocked, and shipped faster and more accurately than ever before.

Why Distributors Should Consider Activant TPW

- Increase accuracy of inventory records and improve customer service
- Boost picking productivity with RF handheld devices
- Improve warehouse management with more accurate inventory records and real-time productivity reports
- Reduce errors with bar code scanning and double checking shipments based on picker, customer, or truck
- Build customer satisfaction by identifying must-have items that are not available

Key Benefits for Distributors with Activant TPW



Streamlined Receiving, Picking and Shipping

TPW can help drive critical efficiencies from dock to dock for lower costs and greater profits.

- Increase speed, accuracy, and productivity with portable, handheld scanning devices that can instantly access order information, scan tote labels, and eliminate cumbersome paper pick tickets
- Improve picking coordination and efficiency with two-way RF data communications anywhere in the warehouse, including through steel-grated mezzanines
- Reduce picker travel time through flexible order merging and sorting
- Enable the same product to be pulled for multiple customers at the same time, for the same truck, and then split up at consolidation

Improved Operations

Leaner, more cost-effective operations are made possible through a combination of powerful scanning devices, advanced capabilities, and full integration with other Activant products.

- Increase distribution accuracy dramatically with the use of mobile bar code scanners for picking, consolidating, receiving, and inventory count
- Improve management through comprehensive, real-time productivity reports to managers
- Share critical information and leverage system investments through direct interfaces with Activant Ultimate™ and Activant A-DIS® systems
- Enhance picker productivity by optimizing their picking routes through their zones
- Improve fill rates with automatic re-pick notification to senior pickers

Enhanced Service

Customer relationships are strengthened because customers receive the service they expect, even for rush orders.

- Improve service with timely call-backs regarding available parts
- Increase picking accuracy to reduce the number of costly returns
- Build confidence with customers and buyers through improved accuracy in inventory reports, since all parts are scanned as they enter and leave the warehouse
- Allow quick and accurate claims against the vendor for credit, based on bar code scanning information
- Manage rush orders more efficiently and successfully
 - Prioritize all orders according to picking flow and levels of urgency by using unique interleaving technology
 - Integrate rush orders into the natural flow of the picker for greater picking efficiency
 - Maintain productivity because pickers are interrupted only when a pre-determined time threshold has been reached
 - Enable pickers to locate parts faster with the Putaway feature

Maximizing Your Activant Solutions

Activant offers world class service and support for all product offerings, including online assistance, toll-free telephone support, onsite repair, systems deployment, training, and educational services. Our dependable, professional assistance can help maximize performance, ensure uptime, and sharpen your competitive edge.