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Scan pack solutions for supply chain management

Supply chain solutions have provided organisations over a number of years opportunities for streamlining and process based improvement initiatives as technologies evolve and develop.

The faster and more accurately your organisation can provide goods to clients will ensure that service delivery performance levels are maintained ensuring repeat business and mitigating negative contractual performance clauses while ensuring your organisation remains as profitable as possible.

Scan pack solutions have typically been adopted by organisations that manage and run complex warehouse operations as part of their retail or wholesale businesses. Scan packing goods ensures that as a supplier you can meet these requirements imposed upon you and ensure your goods are processed in the most efficient and fastest time possible so you can maintain service and cash flow levels when supplying these sorts of businesses.



Where is your organisation today?

Typically if you've had to supply retail or wholesale chains that have implemented scan pack solutions this has meant the setup and installation of hardware and software within your warehouse operations that needs to be linked to your business systems, networks and any hardware requirements. This excludes any training of warehouse staff to trouble shoot basic issues and problems.

This has meant that the solutions have required a heavy degree of development and maintenance to keep them operational which attracts both setup and ongoing costs which in some instances may outstrip the benefit of scan packing to your organisation and simply adds cost in supporting your customer's requirements.

In some instances you have also to work with multiple parties to enable the solution, your business system providers, Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) provider and the scan pack provider. This is sometimes complex to manage and sometimes harder to identify where the root cause of an issue maybe.

“ The ever changing business environment, customer requirements and supply chain processes will impact on your business. The question is how easily will your organisation adapt? ”

Scan packing is supposed to compliment your current warehouse operations and fit seamlessly within your business system context and leverage of your current EDI environment.

Address Complex Order Fulfillment Models

Many consumer packaged goods (CPG) suppliers are challenged to comply with increasingly complex fulfillment requirements for their retail customers. Emerging fulfillment models that require additional effort for suppliers to support including Ship to Store and Cross-Dock orders are growing in popularity.

If your business is still heavily relying on paper or manual tracking systems it will be nearly impossible to accurately fulfilling orders that must be picked from inventory and packed according to rigid specifications from your retail customers.

The B2BE Interlabel Scan Pack solution helps CPG suppliers streamline key fulfillment processes associated with complex trading partner requirements. Designed for suppliers who process large numbers or large varieties of shipment types.



Boost Productivity & Reduce Cost

Throughout the order fulfillment process, it is very common in organisations to spend excessive amounts of time, effort and resources in picking and packing processes and yet accuracy is hard to achieve 100% of the time.

B2BE's Scan Pack & Barcoding Solution will boost productivity and reduce costs by receiving order information in a reliable and usable format at the point of picking and packing the goods reducing manual data entry, therefore eliminating errors associated with item cross-referencing and generating of ASN's and labels will increase data accuracy and eliminates error.

Key drivers

- **Electronic Trading and Integrated Supply Chain Management (ISCM)**

To be able to trade effectively and be compatible with major retailers, it is crucial for your business to be able to comply with the global standards in document exchange, EDI and other Integrated Supply Chain Management (ISCM) initiatives. Through electronic trading this ultimately increases the speed of transactions and provides higher data accuracy between trading partners. The approach will ultimately drive down the cost in the business process environment between a buyer and seller.

Integrated supply chains provide the vehicle for both buyers and sellers to maintain less stock and be more responsive to market demands and needs ensuring minimal amounts of stock overruns and warehousing.

The ISCM approach is reliant of both parties having a level of sophistication in their manufacturing and distribution processes and to be efficient here requires technology to assist in the process. Each aspect of the buyers and sellers systems need to be highly transparent and robust in terms of the level of detail that is interacted between the both, only when this is achieved is there the ability for both parties to leverage the benefits.

- **EANway Processes**

By implementing the EANway scan packing methodologies this aggregates industry standard technologies, that when put together, make up world's best practice in process management between buyers and sellers. In general, there are 5 core components that make up the EANway standard methodology:

- 1 Suppliers must be capable of trading electronically.
- 2 Suppliers must be able to process an electronic Purchase Orders.
- 3 Suppliers must have an accredited Scan packing solution with your customer/retailer.
- 4 Suppliers must be capable of producing an Advance Shipment Notice (ASN) electronically.
- 5 Suppliers must be capable of producing SCM labeling incorporating Serial Shipping Container Codes (SSCC).

The EANway scan pack solution ensures your business is compliant with Floor Ready Merchandise (FRM) requirements imposed by retailers by producing SSCC Carton Label and Advance Shipment Notices as part of the electronic solution which B2BE provides. FRM will simplify the overall goods distribution process as well as the time-to-market requirements where the retailer can receive merchandise sent directly to the sales floor to their specifications for style, size, color and price labeling.

- **Support Distribution Centre Ready Shipments**

Goods preparation and carton packing based on your customer's requirements can be tedious yet it is a very crucial process within the supply chain if goods are to be receipted accurately and to ultimately enable payment. Distribution Centre (DC) ready shipments will ensure your customer's requirements are met and adhered to.

Within the supply chain goods that are packed according to their final destination ensures that goods receipt at the DC is accurate and the goods are moved through the warehouse system correctly for fast turn around.

This not only ensures that stock outs are minimised, and you as a supplier aren't penalised, it means the life cycle in terms of throughput from the point where the good is manufactured to sale is shorter ensuring the highest possible return for the buyers and sellers in the retail environment.

Some retailers may even require goods to be shelf ready so this increases the processing speed and reduces errors in the distribution and merchandising areas. Goods arrive at the right location, at the right time and can be unpacked directly onto the shelf.



- **Vendor Managed Inventory**

Vendor Managed Inventory (VMI) fundamentally means the seller manages the inventory of the buyer. The seller receives electronic messages, usually via EDI, from the buyer. These messages provide the seller with various pieces of information such as information relating to what the buyer has sold (PAD Data) and what they have currently in stock. The Seller is then able to review this information to determine what stock is to be shipped to where.

This places the onus on the supplier to ensure that goods for sale do not have issues in terms of stock outs and the right goods are shipped to the right location. This ensures that as a supplier you have a greater degree of control over the stock management process but can also add additional costs in managing the process unless your organisation have the right tools to enable the process.

What can B2BE do for your organisation?

The scan pack solution and electronic data exchange services provided by B2BE will empower your business with an integrated solution to allow you to introduce the use of scan packing, be compliant with your customer's requirements or enable you to simplify the use of scan pack solution by eliminating the need for you to maintain scan pack software packages to comply with different buyers' packing, labeling and ASN requirements.

How does B2BE assist your organisation with supply chain efficiency using Scan Packing?

- **B2BE Interlabel Scan Pack**

Interlabel Scan Pack is web-based solution which eliminates the need for you to install, configure and maintain any complex software, or invest in expensive new computer equipment. The B2BE Interlabel Scan Pack solution offers a number of options to perform scan packing as per your customer's requirements. These options relate to the EDI Purchase Order management and allocation, generating numerous documents such as Packing Lists, ASN's, Shipping Documents or even invoices as part your or your customer's required processes.

Establish a Solid Trading Relationship with your Customers

Creating a quality streamlined and error free trading process with your customer is always one of the key success factors in building and establishing a solid customer relationship.

Through the B2BE Interlabel Scan Pack solution, it will enhance relationships with trading partners by more accurately labeling cartons/pallets according to their requirements and eliminating over or under shipping. The seamless EDI integrated platform will also improve workflow and visibility into order status ensuring customer orders can be easily picked up, instantly and accurately for processing.

B2BE Interlabel Scan Pack solution has been designed with the flexibility to be customised and fit your business requirements and market requirements. The following are features and functionality provided in the B2BE Interlabel Scan Pack solution:

- Support various packing methods
- Receive and validate EDI Purchase Orders
- Import Sales and Inventory data
- Compile Reverse Purchase Orders (if require)
- Picking Slip generated from EDI Purchase Orders
- Scan pack each EAN by store and verify against EDI Purchase Order
- Generate and print UCC-128 labels
- Customisable to different label layout and format
- Compiles EDI Advance Shipment Notice (ASN)
- User friendly with multi-lingual interface
- Fully hosted online web-based solution
- Complete documentation and online help
- Dedicated technical and user support services
- Seamless EDI integrated platform