

TRACKMATE™

Production Tracking for Glass Fabricators

Your plant is the most important area for controlling profits. The more you know about what is actually happening the more control you have. For information to be useful it needs to be in the right form: accurate, easy to gather, easy to access, and easy to use. That's where TRACKMATE™ comes in.

TRACKMATE™ is a real-time production tracking system especially designed for glass fabricators and window manufacturers. TRACKMATE™ greatly improves productivity, profitability and customer service by supplying timely and accurate information about the flow of material through a plant while reducing inventory costs, giving your operation tighter control and better organization.

TRACKMATE™ is an accurate, easy-to-use system. With TRACKMATE™, data collection and entry is fast and easy. Each lite of glass passing through the plant carries a bar-coded label indicating its order and item number. The workstation operator simply scans the label with a barcode reader and the status of the lite instantly becomes a part of the database. With no typing required, data entry is quick and accurate.

The Full Plant Reject Tracking Module allows workers to reject lites or insulated units at strategically placed workcenters throughout the plant. Information about rejected pieces from each workcenter is accumulated in a reject pool. Data collection is simplified for the operators through the use of bar-code scanners and touch screens. Reject information is available to the cutting and/or office workstations. Reports available from the system let management know the quantity of rejects in the plant, where the rejects occur, the cause of the reject, and what customer orders are affected. This

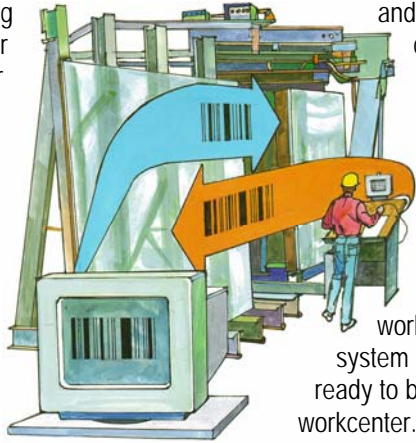
information helps identify production problems and provides management with one key element to knowing the status of customer orders. Rejects can be optimized as a remake schedule, mixed with other rejects of the same color and thickness, or automatically processed through the optional Real Time Remakes option within SCOREMATE™, PMC's Real-Time Cutting Line Control software.

The Order Tracking Module continuously updates the status of items as they are processed through each production workcenter. This module collects the information on whether an order is complete, on what remakes are in process, and on what remains to be completed. This allows immediate response to customer inquiries, saving hours of investigative time.

The Workcenter Backlog Module is a vital element for improving workcenter productivity. The system reports all pieces that are ready to be processed at a particular workcenter. This gives the line foreman a valuable tool to schedule the production line for optimum yield and to assure that remakes critical to completing an order are processed.

Production Reporting provides on-screen Inquiries granting instant insight into the status of your operations. These electronic reports are invaluable when a printed copy of information is not a necessity. Also, since information is being collected in a real-time mode and can be manipulated by numerous users, on-screen inquiries ensure an up-to-the-minute status.

Printed Reports provide a means of presenting information to a wide group of people without the need for immediate access to a workstation. Within TRACKMATE™ there are two different report styles. One summarizes shift, daily, weekly and/or monthly activity by workcenter. The other provides a detailed audit trail of production.



Increased productivity

Faster data transcription and the elimination of errors

Instantaneous status of any order-item

Decreased turnaround time, from hours or days to minutes

Enhanced customer satisfaction

Identification of incomplete orders for expediting

Orders are delivered on time and complete

Plant-wide rejection ability

Utilizes barcode technology and touch screens

Allows for your company's unique set of reject codes, unique for each reject workcenter

Tracks rejects in relation to the rest of an order

Automatic reject processing available through the optional Real Time Remakes module within SCOREMATE™

Significantly improved production reporting

Real-time status information on every customer order

Reports by reject reason, workcenter, shift, or range of dates

Provides accurate inventory usage



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