



Yard Management

Many of today's yards have thousands of trailers at various stages of activity and are essentially a "warehouse without walls." Yard Management, a stand alone solution, extends many of the benefits derived from a warehouse management solution, like real time control, accuracy and improved productivity, into the trailer yard and docks. The solution efficiently controls the accurate spotting and retrieval of trailers in real-time, using RF terminals or paper. Yard Management allows numerous views of the yard, as well as current and pending activity. Additionally, it can redirect or initiate trailer movement and allow gate operators to check in/out trailers while capturing all relevant data.

KEY BENEFITS

- Visibility with immediate access to trailer location and accounting information
 - Real-time management of available yard and existing dock space to help optimize distribution and vessel dwell-time
 - Flexibility to accommodate various yard management philosophies
 - Improved security and brand protection
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Capabilities

Yard Management helps manage and track the flow of trailers and containers into, within, and out of yards. To facilitate management of information and task assignments, a Yard Management screen provides graphical access to a wealth of information. Included is a graphical layout of the yard, allowing the manager to quickly view where trailers are located, which locations are empty or full, and where pending tasks have been assigned. Other capabilities include:

Capabilities Continued

- **Multi-Site Control** - Site maintenance capabilities within Yard Management allow site identifiers to be added so multiple yards can be controlled using the same application. Each user can be linked to a single site or allowed access to data in multiple sites.
- **Spotting** - Based on data captured at check-in, Yard Management will select a parking spot for the trailer. It may also select a dock door as the destination based upon outstanding demand or schedules. Options can be setup on a user / workstation basis to confirm multiple aspects of yard activities to increase accuracy.
- **Docking / Undocking** - Whenever a trailer enters or leaves a dock door, it is likely information about its status or contents has changed. Clearance requests can be initiated manually, via notification from a WMS, or by pointing and clicking on the appropriate objects in the Yard Management screen.
- **Yard Locations** - There are several types of locations modeled by Yard Management. Storage locations serve as the typical trailer parking bay, dock-doors correlate with the doors at the warehouse, and gate-in / gate-out locations are used to check in or out. Stage locations can be set up as areas or locations by which shipping units must pass through a safety or fuel check stage directly after being checked-in.

Managing the movement and disposition of trailers and their contents across large yards and dock facilities can be as complex as managing a distribution center. Yet many companies have not deployed an equivalent level of technology to help manage this activity. RedPrairie's Yard Management provides the comprehensive functionality to streamline yard operations, improve dock utilization and reduce dwell times and costs.

About RedPrairie

RedPrairie delivers productivity solutions to help companies around the world in three categories—inventory, transportation and workforce. RedPrairie provides these solutions to manufacturers, distributors and retailers looking to reduce cost, increase sales and create competitive advantage.

With over 20 global offices providing services to over 40,000 sites in 50 countries, companies trust RedPrairie inventory, workforce and transportation solutions to deliver an immediate increase in productivity—with the flexibility to adapt as business needs change.

At RedPrairie, we understand today's operational demands and we're committed to delivering solutions that work. We're committed to delivering solutions for the real world.