



BlueCherry® Shop Floor Control

Global apparel and sewn products manufacturers face ever-increasing mandates for higher productivity and quality, reduced costs and cycle times, supply chain visibility and social and regulatory compliance. These competitive and economic pressures are driving these producers to seek out new technologies and processes that can provide significant and sustainable improvements.

BlueCherry® Shop Floor Control (formerly Leadtec®) is a real-time data collection and control solution that enables manufacturers to increase overall efficiency and flexibility, improve transparency and compliance and ensure on-time and profitable deliveries.

Shop Floor Control

Increased productivity is the goal of every soft goods manufacturing operation. Companies strive to maximize the output of the line without adding additional operators, equipment, costs and floor space.

BlueCherry® Shop Floor Control delivers these benefits by approaching the issue from two directions: line management and individual worker incentives. In addition, payroll operations are greatly simplified thanks to the system's ability to capture all production data and integrate with outsourced payroll systems like ADP.

Line Management

The **BlueCherry®** Shop Floor Control system is more than just software—it utilizes a special operator terminal to track the operator's time as well as productivity. An operator starts the day by swiping an ID card through the terminal, which effectively starts the clock for the day. As each bundle is processed, the bundle-tracking card is swiped through the same terminal allowing the system to capture the number of units, operation, and who completed the task.

Worker Incentive

Along the way, the operator gets real-time feedback on piecework earnings, percentage of goal, and other incentive-related information. The ability to view how much is being earned each hour is a very effective incentive, reducing downtime and improving productivity. **BlueCherry®** Shop Floor Control also displays complete, up to the minute production status to line managers. Shortfalls in one operation can be easily spotted and the system can recommend which employee to utilize to fix the imbalance based on individual skill sets.

Customer Testimonial

*"With **BlueCherry®** Shop Floor Control, supervisors and managers have gained a wealth of up-to-the-minute information on productivity, efficiency, and load balancing that enables more-timely, better informed decisions on virtually all production and quality issues. With this visibility and other wall-to-wall best practices, we have clearly improved our competitive position."*

– Richard Motta
Director of Engineering, Joseph Abboud

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Additional Benefits

- Actual production costing is calculated and reported to improve production planning and costing.
- In the case of downtime, the operator can send a message to the supervisor, mechanic, or other staff.
- Payroll data can be sent to the appropriate systems to eliminate the need for manual calculations.

Key Features & Benefits

Operator Motivation: Real time terminals acquire precise data and display up-to-the-minute units and earnings information to each operator.

Automatic Payroll: Eliminates the need for time clocks, coupons and gumsheets while freeing-up time for more productive tasks.

Product Line Balancing: Provides constant production and workflow information, predicts problems, suggests solutions and suggests solutions to out of balance situations.

Real-time Excess Cost Inquiries: Tracks and reports all excess costs in real-time to enable managers to minimize costs and maximize individual and overall productivity.

Operator Skill History & Piece Rate Performance: Maintains historical operator performance data on each job as well as tracks actual rate performance on each piece rate.

Actual Costing: Shows production cost of each style, order and cut, including a breakdown of excess costs by cause which enables accurate product cost evaluation based on true factory experience.

Work-in-Process Inventory Control: Tracks each order, cut and bundle as it moves through the factory, simplifying the identification of production bottlenecks, quality issues and status updates.