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Enodatio Solutions powers Design & Display's advanced production scheduling with EnoPlan™

Client Profile

Design & Display are a leading manufacturer and supplier of shopfitting equipment and accessories with over 18 years experience and a turnover of £9m.

They operate a 24 hour production cycle from a purpose built, 100,000 square foot facility. This houses a broad range of machines, capable of routering, beam saw cutting, edging, postforming and laminating.

Objective

Design & Display have expanded rapidly over recent years, supplying shopfitting equipment to thousands of clients including Asda and JJB Sports.

These increased levels of production required a powerful scheduling tool to handle their production planning across their business. They also required the flexibility to modify their standard design templates for every project, to meet their clients' job-specific requirements.

Solution

Design & Display deployed EnoPlan throughout their production facility in 2006 and are delighted with the results, as Matthew Lloyd (Head of Production) explains: "It is hard to believe how we managed before EnoPlan. Without it, over the last few years, we simply couldn't have coped."



Summary Client Information

Client: Design & Display Ltd

Industry: Manufacturing

Specialism: Shopfitting Equipment

Turnover: £9m

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It's tailored to all the complexities of our business but it's still really easy to use." - Matthew Lloyd, Head of Production

The smartest way to plan your job flow

EnoPlan links into Design & Display's accounts system to allow new jobs to be created quickly, based upon purchase orders and standardised templates. However, as Matthew Lloyd points out, "For our business, templates are only the starting point. Most jobs involve tailoring templates to meet the clients' requirements. It was vital that the software could allow us to create these bespoke jobs quickly. EnoPlan does this excellently and schedules each job for us".

EnoPlan's clear and intuitive interface has placed Design & Display in full control of their production process. It allows the sales team to access where each job is within the production process and provides a range of production reports for the shop floor management team.

Matthew Lloyd, explains: "We can see when jobs are running late, change job priorities and resolve any bottlenecks. All this means that we can take on more work, safe in the knowledge that we will hit deadlines and keep our customers happy."

Within the first year of using the software, Design & Display increased their turnover by £2m. By managing each job's dependencies, EnoPlan helps to prevent half completed jobs from clogging up the production process. This means that Design & Display are more efficient and have been able to increase their work throughput.

Future

Design & Display are keen to build upon their technological advances through the introduction of the labour costing module and the integrated shop floor data collection (SFDC) module.

Jon Gilbert, Managing Director of Enodatio Solutions is pleased to continue developing the relationship with Design & Display:

"Design & Display are one of the leading manufacturers in the north of England. We have had the pleasure of working closely with them over a number of recent years. As their business has expanded, EnoPlan has delivered increased functionality with each new module.

These latest modules will deliver even more benefits, by providing real-time integration to Design & Display's works orders system and providing detailed management information on job costing and work force performance. With EnoPlan, Design & Display can be confident that there is the flexibility to meet their evolving requirements."



It's smart, clear and intuitive.

Designed to operate with all the main accounts packages



