

Shipping Interface

Shipping your orders is a vital link in your operation. You need to get the orders on their way to the right location with a minimum of hassle and paperwork. You need to calculate the right shipping charges, produce shipping labels and tags, report the shipments to the shipper, and keep a history of the shipment for later review. Save time, simplify your shipping paperwork, and integrate your specialized shipping software into your SouthWare Shipping Interface.

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BENEFITS

DISTRIBUTION

The screenshot shows a software window titled "SouthWare Excellence Series (DMJ) Demo Company rev11" with a menu bar (File, Edit, Approve, Search, Next, Previous, Options, Breakout, Link, Help, Enter). The main window is titled "Enter Shipping Information" and contains several data entry fields:

Order Number	200	Order Date	04/27/04	Request Date	00/00/00
Customer #	1	Pick Date	00/00/00	Ship Date	10/24/05
Ship Via	P	Customer Pickup			
Terms	2	2/10 Net 30			
Ship To #				Status:	*New*

Below these fields is a list of shipping addresses for "Carl Sanders":

- Carl Sanders
- Carl Sanders
- 123 Magnolia Avenue
-
-
- Auburn
- AL 36830
- 334-821-2342

A "Shipment Options" dialog box is open, showing a list of options:

- S - Shipping Interface
- C - Change Shipping Info
- O - Zoom to Order Information
- X - Exit

At the bottom of the dialog box are "OK" and "Cancel" buttons. The main window also has a status bar at the bottom with "DEMO", "10/24/05", and "8703".

Select Shipping Options

- Pass order shipping address information from SouthWare to your specialized shipping software
- Pass the shipping method to the shipping software
- Quickly access the third-party shipping software from your SouthWare system to enter the boxes to be shipped for any order
- Use your shipping software to process the shipments
- Receive back box information from the shipping software
- Know the correct shipping charges for each order as computed in the shipping software
- Optionally charge your customers for the actual shipping charges or a multiplier of the actual shipping charges
- Inquire into box history information for an order

With SouthWare's Shipping Interface you may interface order-related information to and from a third-party shipping software package for a seamless order fulfillment system. You get the powerful features and options of a specialized shipping system, and you get the benefits of this shipping information in your order processing.



Features & Functionality

Easy Set Up

- Simple Interface Configuration Records
- Optional Configuration per Workstation
- Specify shipping product software code for each shipping method

Multiple Product Interfaces

- Interface to/from StarShip™ (by V-Technologies)
- Open interface can be utilized by other shipping software that supports ASCII file transfer/polling

Seamless Access to Shipping Entry

- Access shipping software entry program from Order Entry
- Access shipping software entry program from special Interface search program
- Option to interface shipments not related to orders for complete shipping history

Flexible Billing of Shipping Charges

- Optional multiplier to determine amount charged to customer
- Freight code and accounting is definable per Interface Configuration

Box History Inquiry

- Option to search for box information by:
 - Shipping Control Number
 - Customer Number
 - Order Number
 - Ship Date
 - Tracking Number
- View box information/charges provided by shipping software

Interface with StarShip™

Sample situations you can handle include:

- Allowing your shipping department to enter an order number in SouthWare to automatically display the box entry screen in your shipping software
- Looking up the tracking numbers for boxes on a particular order
- Providing the shipping address and method to your shipping software without any data entry
- Accessing the weights and charges for boxes you've already shipped
- Notifying operators when an order to be invoiced has not yet been updated with shipping information
- Charging your customers a markup of actual shipping charges



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