

# Retail STAR Newsletter

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## From Here to There...

The ability within Retail STAR to transfer inventory from one location to another, whether it is a physical location or a 'virtual' store, is a powerful feature that can streamline your stock movement between locations.

You may already be familiar with the standard 'Transfer To Store' function, or the 'Transfer Worksheet' option that you can use to build your transfers, but did you know that there are other powerful options to make transferring inventory even easier?

For example, if you have a PDT3100 or PDT8800 unit, you can build your transfer by scanning the items you wish to scan. Use the Adjustments option on the PDT to scan your product and enter transfer quantities, then in the Transfer screen in Retail STAR, create a new packing slip, enter your 'From' and 'To' stores, then click on the PDT button. From here you can download and process your PDT file, then transfer immediately to your stores.

Another great option is Automatic Distribution. This is particularly useful as it allows you to use a predefined fraction of your current On Hand of any given product (by percentage) to distribute that merchandise between your remote stores. And it also works in reverse; you can use it to consolidate the merchandise from a group of stores all in to one store.

Using this option you can set up 'Equal Distribution', where for example you can split a purchase order equally between all locations, 'Consolidated Distribution', where you can move inventory from multiple locations to one location, or 'Model Inventory Distribution', where you can take advantage of your Minimum, Maximum, and Model Stock quantities to bring your stores up to the desired quantity.

Whichever option fits you best, you can also configure Retail STAR to either automate the approval and receiving of the transfers, or you can require that one or both must be completed manually. This helps you keep tight control on where your inventory is and where it's going!

If you have further questions or need assistance with store transfers, feel free to call our team of Support Technicians. Call 1-800-949-1470, and selection option 6 from the menu.

## A Closer Look

*A little more on Store Transfers*

To transfer inventory items between stores, you can create 'quick' transfer packing slips using the 'Transfer to Store' option, or create more detailed transfers using the 'Transfer Worksheet' option. In the 'Transfer Worksheet' option is where you will find the further features of predefined distribution, equal distribution, or consolidated distribution.

Also, to define whether or not you want the approval and receiving of transfers to be automatic or manual, go to Program Setup from the Utilities menu, and set the options as desired to control these functions.

### **Retail STAR 7.5.126**

Our current 'General Release' version of Retail STAR is 7.5.126 Service Pack 2 with Gupta SQLBase 8.5. If you are on an older version of Retail STAR and would like to upgrade, please contact Technical Support on 1-800-949-1470, selection option 6 from the menu, and a Technician will be able to assist.

## STAR Word Search

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D N E I M N E L D I F A  
E A E M N I D N M C E S  
T F P G N I O U R K D D  
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EQUAL PREDEFINED CONSOLIDATED  
DISTRIBUTION WORKSHEET MODEL  
MINIMUM MAXIMUM STOCK  
RESTOCK PICKLIST AUTOMATIC**