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Connecting you to all Your Stock Taking Needs



What we do

Saffron Connect has been developed by FDH to run on an advanced handheld device which connects directly to the Stock Management module of our Saffron Catering Management System.

This latest handheld technology allows the user to upload their stock files from the **Saffron** solution onto the device ensuring an accurate and efficient routine is maintained without continually referring back to the master stock file.

Individual stock items are linked with a Saffron code, name and pack size. **Saffron Connect** can also produce barcodes for items such as fruit, vegetables or fresh meat products. These barcodes can then be attached to shelves where the product sits or carried in a booklet format in the same way supermarkets deal with non-barcode items like fresh bakery products.

Stocktaking now becomes a totally streamlined process literally saving the average catering unit hours of processing and stock taking. Simply scan a product, the device will then display the product details and then use the + or - touch screen controls, to ascertain the correct stock levels.

Our Systems

One of the big advantages of **Saffron Connect** is the way it consolidates the data. Many products on your stock take will have multiple locations, for example butter portions may be located in the walk-in fridge then in numerous holding or service fridges around the building. Adding all these micro totals together on a paper based system is a stock takers nightmare. **Saffron Connect** allows the caterer to work through a stock take in any order and each time you come to an item you've already counted the device informs you how many you have and allows you to add to the total.

Consolidated stock takes and multiple devices can be utilised allowing the caterer to work through this process in a more timely fashion and the data to be uploaded back into **Saffron**, where the stock is valued at the latest invoice price and any variances reported upon.

"Saffron Connect has reduced our stock taking process from four hours to just one and a half. We can now complete our stock takes accurately and efficiently every week."

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The Benefits of Using Saffron Connect

- Very user friendly with no experience or IT knowledge necessary
- Will save you valuable time and labour costs
- Uses barcodes for quick, accurate product identification
- Accuracy on stock valuation based on latest invoice price
- Improve stock management efficiencies
- Accurate and immediate stock management reporting
- Overall streamlining of stock taking procedures

Saffron Connect is a prime example of how technology can overcome challenges that caterers face, especially large or multi-site operations. It also illustrates how different software applications can "talk to one another" to provide a seamless transfer of information that is crucial to ensure the technology you invest in is saving you money through both efficiency and accuracy.



Fretwell-Downing Hospitality was created 30 years ago from a need to have visibility of costs and profit within our own hotel and catering business. Today we are still true to our founding objective and provide the hospitality industry with solutions that help operators improve business performance through all parts of the cost cycle.

Designed by Caterers for Caterers, Saffron is a powerful, yet easy to use, web based solution that keeps you informed of business performance any time, any place.



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