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ShipConsole Validated Integration with Oracle E-Business Suite Release 12.1



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Your Shipping Solution for Oracle E-Business Suite

ShipConsole Version 5 integrates Oracle E-Business Suite Release 12.1 with freight carrier systems enabling users to ship, print labels, ship confirm, and track shipments from a single, unified interface.

Company Overview

The products division of Apps Associates developed ShipConsole with a mission to simplify shipping and logistics for Oracle Applications. The products division of Apps Associates is a diverse team of experts in supply chain management, Oracle Applications consulting, Java technologies, service oriented architecture (SOA), and product development methodologies. It is a self-contained division within Apps Associates, which is headquartered in Westford, Massachusetts, and has offices in Atlanta, Germany, and India. Apps Associates is a leading provider of Oracle-integrated products and consulting services in Oracle Applications and business intelligence. Recognized as one of the fastest growing private U.S. companies (*Inc.* magazine's *Inc.* 500 list) and continuing to realize rapid growth, Apps Associates is setting a compelling standard for delivery and customer satisfaction.

Integration Overview

ShipConsole Version 5 uses SOA-based integration to transmit shipping information from Oracle E-Business Suite Release 12.1 to freight carriers such as UPS and FedEx, and to save tracking information and freight costs retrieved from carriers back in Oracle E-Business Suite Release 12.1. With ShipConsole Version 5 and Oracle E-Business Suite Release 12.1 integration, customers can:

- Easily create shipments for delivery in Oracle E-Business Suite Release 12.1
- Relate packages and containers to line items in Oracle product deliveries
- Obtain shipping labels, tracking numbers, and freight costs from freight carrier systems and save these back in Oracle E-Business Suite Release 12.1
- Complete the ship confirm process in Oracle E-Business Suite with the click of a single button; ship complete, partial, or backorder items easily
- Print all shipping documentation from a single source
- Save all shipping-related information in Oracle E-Business Suite



Validated Integration

Oracle E-Business Suite

Through the Oracle PartnerNetwork Application Integration Architecture for Partners Initiative, partners with validated integrations are able to provide customers with standards-based product integrations, tested and validated by Oracle. Customers benefit from improved risk management and smoother upgrade capability, leading to a lower total cost of ownership and greater overall satisfaction.

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Integration Details

ShipConsole integrates Oracle E-Business Suite with freight carriers to enable online shipping, label printing, Oracle ship confirmation, and real-time shipment tracking from a single interface. The benefits of ShipConsole Version 5 include:

- Increased shipping volumes due to higher productivity
- Improved customer service due to shipment notifications and easy access to shipment tracking status and proof-of-delivery
- Faster learning curve for new users due to a single, intuitive user interface for shipping and tracking
- Better analytics due to availability of shipping data and freight costs in Oracle E-Business Suite

Shipping from Oracle E-Business Suite Release 12.1 without ShipConsole

Users interact with multiple systems including Oracle E-Business Suite and various freight carrier systems, increasing shipment processing time as well as training time for new users who have to learn to use multiple interfaces.



Diagram of shipping from Oracle E-Business Suite Release 12.1 without ShipConsole

Shipping from Oracle E-Business Suite Release 12.1 with ShipConsole

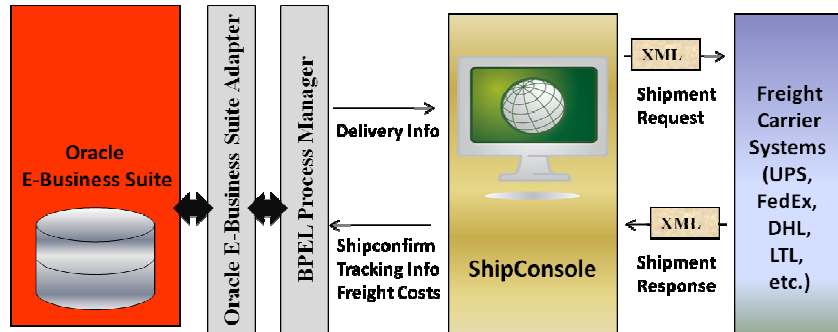
Single interface for shipping, label printing, tracking, proof-of-delivery documentation and Oracle product ship confirmation.



Diagram of shipping from Oracle E-Business Suite Release 12.1 with ShipConsole Version 5

ShipConsole Version 5 Architecture

ShipConsole Version 5 uses BPEL to integrate with Oracle E-Business Suite Release 12.1, and XML/Web services to integrate with online freight carrier systems. An overview of the architecture is depicted below.



ShipConsole Version 5 architecture with Oracle E-Business Suite Release 12.1

Environment

Apps Associates Environment

ShipConsole Version 5
Java 1.5

Oracle Environment

Oracle E-Business Suite Release 12.1
Oracle Database 11g Release 11.1
Oracle Application Server Release 10.1.3.4
Oracle BPEL Process Manager Release 10.1.3.4

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