

Carr Enterprises

VISUAL MANUFACTURING® SCHEDULING

If asked to list the reasons why they purchased Visual Manufacturing®, most Lilly customers would place scheduling at the top of the list. This advanced capability is extremely attractive to manufacturers and has long been a Visual Manufacturing® hallmark.

Scheduling is a powerful tool for automating what has traditionally been a very difficult and time-consuming process. Lilly's scheduling system is a proven winner for some, but not all, of its customers.

It is a dirty little secret of the software business that few scheduling systems, purchased from any vendor, are ever implemented. The reason for this failure is that making scheduling work requires a coordinated, company-wide effort.

Leveraging our long experience with Visual Manufacturing® and our knowledge of scheduling, we will help your company get the most from Lilly's powerful scheduler.

Implementing scheduling is more than simply filling a few fields and throwing the switch. Scheduling implementation must be part of an effort that coordinates the activities of many departments to meet common goals.

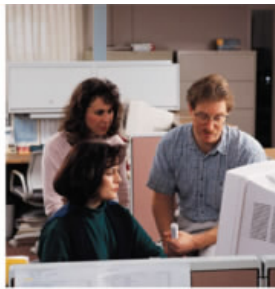
To be effective, the schedule must be smoothly translated into action, and disruptions in the process must be incorporated back into the schedule in a timely fashion. None of this is easy.

Like the automation of any business process, automated scheduling requires an in-depth knowledge of your business. Having a deep understanding of the VISUAL™ scheduler is equally important.

Carr Enterprises has that knowledge, and with our years of experience, we can help you use VISUAL's™ scheduler as a real solution for the challenges your business faces.

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Knowledge and Understanding are Keys to Success

Education plays a key role in our scheduling implementation process.

It is impossible to implement scheduling without having a good working knowledge of the philosophies and mechanics of Lilly's scheduler. It is also beneficial to understand competing and complementary philosophies that might be more appropriate for your business.

Our education process pays attention to fundamentals as well as educating your team about the basics of inherently complex topics.

With a solid understanding of the underpinnings of VISUAL's™ scheduler, your team will be well on its way to scheduling success.

Eating the Elephant

The proverbs tell us that you eat an elephant "one bite at a time." The same holds true of scheduling.

The downfall of many scheduling implementations is that the people involved attempt to solve every problem at once. In their desire to create a "perfect scheduling system," they lay the groundwork for failure. It is our belief that this pursuit of scheduling perfection prevents scheduling success.

We will help your team avoid the "analysis paralysis" that is so common in scheduling implementations. Rather than creating the perfect system, our goal is to implement scheduling in a way that works for your business.

We believe that you are better served by an 80% solution than a 100% failure.

Your Scheduling Project

- **Project Kick-off Meeting:** Introduce the team and learn about each other.
- **Business Goal Setting:** Meet with the organization's C-Level leadership to set business goals.
- **Education:** Introduction to scheduling concepts and the Visual Manufacturing® Scheduler.
- **Project Definition:** Establish a timeline and set milestones to measure progress.
- **Process Analysis:** Document the existing formal and informal processes.
- **Issue Identification:** Identify likely trouble spots in the scheduling implementation.
- **Procedure Development:** Develop processes and procedures.
- **Conference Room Pilot:** Use the conference room pilot to identify problems with procedures.
- **Limited Pilot:** Pilot scheduling processes on key bottlenecks.
- **Full Operation**

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