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How to Improve Workflow and Streamline Work Processes

The workflow is also influenced by the company's or manufacturing facility's efficiency and quality. The more the manager and management deal with each procedure in a regular and unambiguous manner, the more efficient the work and the team as a whole will be. This saves a lot of time for each employee and the entire work team, allowing each member to accomplish more work without feeling stressed, anxious, or frustrated, resulting in increased efficiency and, as a result, higher profitability. Evaluate the entire process from top to bottom and search for chances for improvement to optimize corporate or business procedures and increase workflow.

1 - Examine the Processes

That Are Already In Place Check what you're doing with your wide eyes. Request feedback from current employees on what makes them angry, and do your best during the day. Take inventory of all office fees, from filing systems to warehouse organization. Assess the durability and performance of computer hardware and software. In Form Drawing, where the form is utilized, processed, and preserved, evaluate paper usage. Although each field has its own process or collection of processes, they are all part of the larger process. Create a file for each individual review area as you gather information. This will reorganize the data for the next procedure: examining the final outcome

2- Analyze the Information

Evaluate your work methods after receiving your evaluation results. Employees may claim that the ordering procedure is slowed by frozen computers. Customers may call and complain about long wait times. Your warehouse can be a shambles, with disgruntled staff constantly seeking for items that were most likely not stored. For example, you discovered throughout the evaluation phase that you have three trashcans collected each week. That's a lot of paper, and shredding costs a lot of money. The price of shredding papers and ink should be determined, as should the location and expected time for personnel to deal with printing and shredding, as well as the deletion of stored data. These expenditures should be compared to new programmers designed to reduce paper usage in the IT center, as well as the cost of the balance and the time it takes to invest in new operations?

3 - Prioritize Key Focus Areas:

After reviewing the final findings, rank each operation according to its importance. This will help you concentrate on the aspects of your process that have the most potential for improvement. For

some businesses, organizing a warehouse and developing a procedure to effectively manage it is a top priority. For other businesses, establishing a customer retention management program can save salespeople hours of follow-up and compliance.

4 - Automate and streamline:

Put each process in order of importance and watch how it functions. You're looking for a line or a set of steps that you can eliminate to make the process run smoothly. This should involve automation, such as completing a paper order form and entering the complete order on a computer to flow from delivery to sale automatically. Call the department's personnel and ask them to follow this approach and come up with ways to waste time. People who are working on a specific procedure are a fantastic source of information. Try the process on your own or with someone who isn't familiar with it. The waste portions that complete the process can be seen by a fresh pair of eyes.

5 - Prepare to Make Changes

Adapt the processes based on the outcomes. Once the new procedure is in place, teach the personnel and make it clear that there is a new process in place so that everyone is pleased and productive. New procedures take time to implement, so be patient, as staff may revert to their old, unstructured ways. Keep them updated on the process by reminding them of it. You may discover that the most recent technique works wonders, but you will almost always need to make changes along the route. You might, for example, have a method for transferring thank you ticket cards to new clients. I set up an automated system to perform this as part of the process development. While this saves time, the service should not be excessively personalized. Finally, you may need to find the best service or a combination of automation and manual stages to get the most out of your gratitude card. Closure: If the user is not in the act of throwing waste into the container, the container should be tightly locked at all times. The only method to achieve this is to use a screw cap that is securely fastened to the container. It is impossible to lock a container that is leaking.

6 - Big Green Tractor's Operational Streamline

The firm's production strategy, general direction (market or product), diversification pattern (product, market, or process), attitude toward growth (acceptance of low growth rate), and whether or not there is a competition are all characteristics of the constituent company. Choose between the two options. Methodologies (high profit margin vs. high volume of production) the manufacturing

arm of the company must modify its structure and management to progress the organization's aims once the vision or main priorities have been determined. The author analyses the evolution of a "manufacturing mission," under which a manufacturing organization meets management needs, as he examines the emergence of "product-centered" and "action-oriented" companies.

7 - Analyze the costs:

Is a fantastic place to start? The manufacturer studies the components used in production in this activity, attempting to focus on the items that have the potential to save money or give a part or component so that the model/cost can be reduced while keeping fit/function. We're here to assist you with your blog's cost analysis. Instead of this research, pricing metrics for components that provide the most value to the manufacturer may be preferred. The end goal is to link each cost factor to the underlying business or engineering decision (where the plant is located, how supplier contracts are negotiated, how the product is packaged, and how it is manufactured). Below are some cost-effective prototype vectors. Identifying these high-level kinds, on the other hand, is merely an analytical problem at the heart of cost reduction: locating cost-cutting opportunities that are still plausible for decision-makers

8 - Labor Costs Can Be Reduced:

Labor costs can be reduced in a variety of ways. For example, assigning an employee too many machines in a department or cell and shifting them to the industrialization section or facilitating them with lower labor costs utilizing a minimal labor-intensive design. Design resolution has an impact on labor costs; for example, a single item that requires manual soldering can significantly increase prices when unnecessary specialized labor is required. Labor productivity is high: In order to determine proper hiring methods, devotion to training, professional growth, and process efficiency, smart incentives are required.

9 - Reduce the cost of materials:

Materials play a variety of roles in cost reduction. In addition to the increased cost, materials demand more, and transportation costs rise as a result of increased weight and labor/equipment expenses when special processing is necessary.

10 - Negotiation with suppliers:

The greater cost could be due to external costs over which the producer has no direct control. Smart bargaining methods, on the other hand, can push service suppliers to lower their prices. On our blog, you can learn more about why there is a good producer cost management platform and how to get the best price. Supply Chain Time: In addition to negotiations, supply chain variables such as department costs, transportation, tariffs, and exchange rate fluctuations all have a role in determining the ultimate price.

11 - Energy Savings:

Energy costs can vary greatly from one facility to the next, and different businesses will consume energy in different ways.

12 - Secondary/Scrap Markets:

Selling leftovers, by-products, or even rubbish for possible reuse, such as re-milling allowance, can help the company achieve a higher profit margin.

Lean Manufacturing Methodologies: The ideas of Lean Manufacturing were born out of Toyota's production processes in the last part of the twentieth century, and they focused on removing waste - expense that does not pay value - from every stage of the manufacturing process. Below is a more detailed explanation of this subject.

13 - Elements of Lean Manufacturing:

While many business theorists have outlined alternative paths to direct manufacturing, their core understanding centers on the company's dedication to waste elimination. The many waste sources listed here might help you visualize how different possible cost drivers link to a complicated web of design and business decisions

14 - Overproduction:

Because overgrown supplies are marked, overproduction (or production of a good after schedule) results in reduced final selling prices, diminishing profit margins.

15 - Inventory:

Meanwhile, the extra merchandise leads to higher storage costs, which raises the price.

Transportation that is not necessary: Transportation is not always unnecessary because it is part of the value chain and is reflected in the ultimate value. The product, on the other hand, should never be moved unnecessarily. Manufacturing a part in one plant and assembling it in another, for example, may be straightforward, but the extra transportation costs are only worth it if the output quantity is large enough.

Bugs are necessary for assembly, but they should be examined with attention because a less expensive cycle might lead to larger cost overruns if more severe errors occur, requiring modification or resulting in a less appealing component than others. At each level, shortages must be deconstructed by working alongside direct cycle costs.

Any wasted moving procedure might lead to an increase in cost.

Waiting time:

Idle employees, machinery, and capital are all examples of a manufacturer's direct waste.

Process that is more environmentally friendly:



Today's firms have developed a number of approaches aimed at managing the green supply chain in a methodical manner to address and reform environmental challenges. The most important reason for implementing the strategy is to reduce environmental concerns. It's a notion that explains the link between supply chain operations and environmental factors. This section delves into the application of green supply chain transportation, emphasizing the green light on supply chain management and its foundation, as well as the variables that contribute to overall environmental management quality. Increase the number of instances of green transportation GSCM and focus on public discourse. We found that most markets prefer gas emissions to focusing on the use of transportation technologies in the discussion. Slow shipping, cruise improvement, and improving port efficiency are some of the most current transportation trends and movements that have been found in green supply chain management. GSCM Dales Mountain, in any case. Green transportation model of Bill Lin (DHL) and some Mutual examples of green transportation in the Ingvar Kamper in comparison, the elaterid gunnery (IKEA) green transport model, which serves as an important step in transportation and environmental management.

Industrial standards on disposal of chemical waste:

1 _Chemical waste, which occurs in a variety of forms, can be extremely deadly if not treated appropriately. They are divided into numerous categories, such as solid, liquid, gaseous, and so on. The following are some general guidelines for the disposal of chemical waste:

Chemical waste is classified as "hazardous waste," which must be precisely specified in order to know how to handle and dispose of it. Because each form of garbage has its own set of rules and regulations. (2018, Gilliam).

Designating a hazardous waste storage facility entails identifying a specific location for chemicals. It is vital to have waste that is conveniently accessible and close to public transportation operations.

To avoid any potentially risky situations and to be under the supervision of trained experts. (2018, Gilliam)

2 _Selecting a Partner for Hazardous Waste Disposal: A Hazardous Waste Disposal Partner

An administrator can be assigned to the secondary waste phase, which is in charge of proper disposal and recycling. This will be a social partner who is knowledgeable in this area and can help the process industry. (2018, Gilliam)

However, proper management is required to protect people's health and safety, as well as the environment. All chemical waste companies must get training and follow waste management and disposal processes, according to state laws and regulations.

1 - Waste Chemicals:

The following information solely relates to chemical waste in this publication. The chemicals that will be utilized in the process or experience must be managed safely; however, if the process or experience is waste, the following information does not apply. It's important to remember that just because you don't use a chemical doesn't mean it's not waste. Consider the following scenery

- **Expired Materials:**

When a chemical container's expiration date has passed and the chemical can no longer be used, it must be discarded.

- **Extraneous Materials:**

A chemical is deemed waste if the process or experiment in which it was employed is no longer in use and it will not be used for another purpose. Some instances include leaving behind a chemical container for an experiment that no longer exists or oil containers for a tool piece that has been removed when he leaves the inspection.

Once you've determined that a chemical is no longer useful for whatever reason, the information in this file applies, and the waste regulation options must be filled.

Volume: The volume of garbage produced is unimportant. 1 mL is regulated in the same way as 1 gallon for chemical waste.

Responsibilities:

Everyone who produces chemical waste at Boston University is responsible for effective waste chemical handling. These tasks include managing adequate housekeeping in the region where chemical waste accumulates. Principal agents and department heads are in charge of ensuring that employees working under their supervision are properly trained and adhere to university policies. The lab Safety Coordinator ensures that all chemical waste accumulation sites are inspected weekly and serves as a liaison between the lab and the EHS Department, answering inquiries and resolving issues. This is a requirement for service.

Representatives from the Department of Health, Safety, and the Environment are professionals in the management and oversight of hazardous and chemical waste disposal programmers. Steps to delivering and writing written instructions detailing the University's hazardous waste management processes. Work with site personnel and interns to resolve biochemical overflow issues, answer supply and response inquiries, and assist chemical waste generators on campus with training. Remove chemical waste from laboratories and other locations on campus where it is generated and transport it to an off-site disposal facility. As required by the regulations, create and keep all settlement records.

Chemical Waste Classification:

Once the chemical has been defined as waste, the following step is to classify it. Chemical waste is one of the four treatment categories at the end of the day.

Collected as a Hazardous Waste:

The chemical nature of the risk and management practices indicate that it should be addressed as a waste risk, according to the regulations and rules of organizations Federalism. The majority of the information in this publication consists of guidelines that must be followed while dealing with hazardous waste. Hazardous waste causes harm to humans or the environment and is subject to strict environmental regulations.

Hazardous waste can result in poor management and environmental damage. Chemical waste should be described with language like (this waste is dangerous) while implementing procedures, and radioactive waste is not dangerous unless it is mixed with chemical waste. At Boston University, hazardous waste is generated on a regular basis. Chemical waste collection and handling as hazardous waste offers the greatest level of environmental protection and a safe method of chemical waste management.

Collected as a Non-hazardous Waste:

A substance that is not listed as a hazardous waste or does not appear in the federation for its hazardous properties is not suitable for disposal in ordinary dumpsters. It is vital to have legislation for the disposal of hazardous waste in order to maintain the environment's cleanliness and safety. For example, ethidium bromide does not have any dangerous properties technically, but it is not permitted to be handled as ordinary trash in any way. Also, compounds like nanoparticles for which no safety data is currently available. These items must be collected in many circumstances because they hurt society and increase carbon dioxide levels.

Poisonous:

When certain chemicals begin to build in the principles, this is referred to as a toxic "attribute." It is important to review the federal list of harmful chemicals known as "D"lists to establish whether

chemical waste contains toxic qualities. Massachusetts adds a few substances to the list as well. Any of the compounds on this list should, in general, be collected for disposal. Even if it isn't classified as hazardous waste, it has no bearing on the environment.

Hazardous Wastes:

When dealing with chemical waste, the most critical issue to answer is: "Should My Chemical Waste Be Collected and Considered Dangerous?"

This question must be answered because it is the first stage in the 'waste identification' procedure, which is a requirement for chemical waste management. You'll need knowledge of chemical characteristics and behavior to evaluate whether chemical waste should be collected as dangerous. This knowledge is critical for the laboratory's safety, and the literature is available at your workplace in the form of safety data sheets (SDS or MSDS) that can assist you. If you are confused or unsure about the qualities or properties of chemical waste, contact EHS for assistance. Never presume that chemical waste or conventional garbage may be safely disposed of in a drainage system. Always be cautious; collecting and controlling hazardous trash is the safest and most responsible method of collecting chemical waste. If the biochemical excess exhibits any of the four characteristics stated below or is specifically listed in the proceedings, it must be kept secret and considered as harmful.

How Green Technology Is Transforming Traditional Manufacturing Methods Manufacturing is one of the key industrial sectors targeted by green technologies, along with other industrial processes. Traditional production techniques are transformed into thin, ecologically friendly protection machines that benefit both the environment and the bottom line. What is green technology, exactly?

Green technology is defined by Plunkett Research. To improve sustainability and efficiency, innovative systems and services are being used in a variety of industries. It also highlights how teams of environmental experts have made major and visible gains in energy efficiency, water quality and purity, trash reduction, carbon emissions, and poisonous gas emissions. These systems and technologies recycle a wide range of materials, as well as promote and encourage recycling and reuse.

There are numerous types of electronic expert teams, including energy. Appliances and services related to water, the environment, and pollution. Engineering, architecture, and design are three fields of study.

Energy:

The use of ecologically friendly construction materials and procedures provides and stores renewable and alternative energy

Water:

The majority of water is conserved and recycled. However, alternate sources of drinking water, such as seawater dehydration, are recommended.

Waste disposal and disposal has evolved throughout time to highlight the recycling and recycling of previous waste by environmental, pollution equipment and services.

Pollution services include toxic waste reduction and disposal, as well as emission control. Compliance audits, inspections, engineering, testing, and consultation are among the services provided. Product design and re-engineering to meet with the new requirements are also affected by the Green.

Engineering, Architecture, and Design are three disciplines that are intertwined.

In order to improve the efficiency of HVAC goods and building design, expert technical teams are implementing modifications in product design, industrial process design, and product automation.

Solar arrays, energy storage, and other green technologies require manufacturing ability and knowledge to be produced efficiently. The amount of parts that make up green technology must be reduced. Green technology must be designed to be mass-produced and efficient.

It is necessary to minimize the cost of producing green technology to the point where it can be profitable. Every day, new firms are eligible for various government grants and help to attract and retain clients by searching for green technologies that are available and incorporated in the manufacturing industry.

Traditional manufacturing is changing to incorporate new technologies that boost efficiency and lower prices, as it has always been. Green technology is now used since it saves not only money but also land. This is the proper course of action.

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