

Manage suppliers with Teamcenter vendor management

Fully leveraging the supply chain so you can increase productivity and shorten time-to-market

Benefits

- Increase productivity and shorten time-to-market by including your supply chain early in the design process
- Reduce risk with traceability of supplier information managed in the context of your product BOM
- Improve the accuracy of supplier deliverables by ensuring version alignment and control
- Reduce rework costs by shortening the change cycle with more accurate supplier information

Summary

Products today are developed by a globally dispersed and complex supply chain. Information on and about suppliers is difficult to collect and manage, which can expose your company to higher risks due to factors such as noncompliance, missed delivery dates and damage to your brand. Managing supplier and supplier part information is therefore critical to your success.

Typically, a rich ecosystem of suppliers exists to support a company's outsourcing process. These suppliers provide both direct materials (for example, parts and assemblies) and indirect materials (for example, tooling in the manufacturing process). Collecting and managing supplier information can be an immense and manual task. Information that is collected can quickly become inaccurate and out-of-date, and without the use of product lifecycle management (PLM) to manage the supplier data, it is likely to be dispersed over multiple systems. Further, it is likely that the data is not in context with the products' bill-of-materials (BOM), which can result in the risk of noncompliance to regulations, higher product costs, lower product quality and missed opportunities in the marketplace.



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Benefits continued

 Increase visibility by enabling analysis, design reviews and decision making for the entire product

Features

- Strategically manage suppliers, supplier data and supplied parts
- Aggregate supplied parts in your company product structure
- Perform configurable search and reports on all supplier information in Teamcenter
- Automatically notify the correct people when supplier content information is changed
- Suppliers can manage their information with a standard internet browser
- Aggregate supplier KPI information for scorecard reporting



Vendor management with Siemens PLM Software's Teamcenter[®] software enables you to tightly integrate your PLM system and process knowledge with your supply chain. Vendor management enables you to model supplier contributions to a product by letting you capture information about the supplier and the parts they provide to satisfy the form, fit and function of commercial parts.

Vendor parts can be qualified with a status, for example, preferred, backup, approved or obsolete.

This allows your company to always use the best source of vendor parts. Supplier information can be managed in context with the product structure to provide holistic views of your product, enabling more accurate design and checks for compliance early in the development process.

With Teamcenter vendor management, all stakeholders (such as design, engineering and purchasing) have access to supplier information to quickly find, qualify and monitor suppliers. Suppliers and supplier data is managed in a single, secure PLM framework, which is accessible to the entire enterprise. By integrating supplier information with PLM processes and capabilities, you are able to make better decisions about purchased components and have access to reliable supplier analytics.



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