



# How to Optimize Cash Flow Through Improved Inventory Cycle Time



As credit tightens, field service companies need to improve cash flow more than ever. More cash flow means less debt, more investment opportunities, and a faster path to expansion. Here are five simple ways to improve your inventory cycle times and free up cash flow.

## 5 WAYS TO IMPROVE CYCLE TIME AND INCREASE CASH FLOW

**1 Eliminate manual processes.**  
If you're monitoring parts levels, tracking orders, managing warranty information, and trying to keep warehouses stocked at the perfect levels on your own, it's bound to lead to errors and wasted time. Any inventory-related task you can automate or complete through a single, all-in-one solution will save your team time and free up resources for growth.



**3 Create auto-replenishment rules.**  
If parts levels are too high, they'll age on the shelf. If they're too low, you hold up workflows and anger customers. Advanced software will track your parts levels and automatically replenish stock. That means technology makes it easy to keep your warehouses perfectly stocked—a critical key to maximizing cash flow.



**5 Integrate with supply houses.**  
Ensure your inventory software is fully integrated with parts supply houses. This way, you can digitally order your inventory and receive real-time pricing, which will allow you to take advantage of best-in-class pricing. Additionally, this will help streamline your parts management overhead, so your back office doesn't need to chase purchase orders and invoices or sit on the phone with vendors.



**2 Use serialized inventory tracking.**  
Serialized inventory tracking assigns a special number to each part or piece of equipment. That way, you can see where parts are, which warehouses or trucks are housing which parts, and the easiest routes to deliver the right parts to the right techs at the right time—a combination that carves out more cash for your company.



**4 Know where your dead stock is.**  
Especially if you work in an industry that relies on warranty returns, there may be piles of cash just sitting in your trucks, warehouses, and jobsites. By leaning on technology, you can see where your dead stock is as well as where all of your returnable parts are, so you can squeeze the maximum value out of your parts.



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