

FlexiKitting™ by Unipart Rail

Delivering operational efficiencies and cost savings



Availability of the parts at the right time, in the right place

Minimisation of wasted time in the identification and fitting of the parts

Supplier rationalisation by using a single source of supply

Reduction of purchase orders and deliveries for a wide range of components

Lower transport costs and carbon footprint with re-useable containers

Reduced waste packaging



Kitting of parts for maintenance operations is a proven way of increasing efficiencies in the Supply Chain in the rail industry and has been an integral part of Unipart Rail's business for many years.

Train operators and owners require innovative ways to improve the supply of materials that reduces the time taken to complete exams and maintenance operations, reduce procurement activities, to optimise storage of the components and having minimal environmental impact.



The FlexiKitting solution provided by Unipart Rail creates a seamless supply of materials to ensure that the delivery of maintained vehicles is kept on schedule. All of the parts are placed in re-usable boxes that are divided into sections for each component for ease of identification by the fitter.

The boxes can be colour coded, the part numbers clearly shown and configured in the correct work sequences to be placed line-side to eliminate the time spent to obtain the part required.

The FlexiKitting solution significantly reduces the procurement activity requiring only one order to be placed by the customer, as well as the optimisation of storage and subsequent decanting of individual components in the client's stores. Components can be 'checked off' quickly upon delivery and the method of storage offers improved protection of all components whilst in the depot.

From an environmental perspective there is also a significant reduction in the amount of packaging that is used to protect the components in transit and any waste packaging can be re-cycled easily by the client.

The utilisation of re-useable storage crates and moulded pallets that are transported between the customer and Unipart Rail maintains a minimal use of outer packaging and transport movements.



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