



Pirana CMMS



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Shire has designed and delivered low cost, best value maintenance and asset management software solutions since 1982. The price-performance of our software is legendary. Over 10 000 organisations worldwide now rely on Shire software.

Our original mission was to trail-blaze the development of business software for use with DOS-based personal computers - introduced to the world in 1981 courtesy of IBM and Bill Gates. Initially we specialised in the supply of bespoke systems, but our work with blue chip manufacturers soon led us to develop commercial off-the-shelf software applications for managing asset maintenance, including the purchasing and management of spare parts and materials. That system suite was called FrontLine. In 1990, responding to the introduction of new regulations framed under the United Kingdom's Health and Safety at Work Act, we launched another application, Safety 1st, enabling paperless control of portable electrical appliance testing (PAT) and other regulatory safety checks on workplace equipment. This was another pioneering 'first to market' innovation for our company. Shire's contribution to business was recognised in 1992 with the award of the UK Electrical Industry's 'Entrepreneur of the Year' accolade.

Our second generation of software was launched in 1998. These products preserved the popular features that were the strength of the first generation, but were completely redesigned to take full advantage of the Microsoft Windows operating system and introduce even greater functionality. To satisfy popular demand, further integrated modules were added to the FrontLine maintenance management suite to allow the control of labour man-hours, financial budgets, reactive maintenance and helpdesk activities. This provided our system users with a fully integrated set of applications to support the management of best practice asset maintenance and field service.

Since 2000, we have supported our clients' continuing quest for higher productivity in the workplace by developing a range of mobile computer applications for deployment on low cost handheld PDAs. Mobile asset maintenance and materials management enables paperless systems, tighter control and lean management of operations. In addition, barcode and RFID labelling of entities eliminates data entry errors.

More recently, Shire has re-engineered its software products using Microsoft .Net technology. Shire's new CMMS (Pirana) can serve both small and large enterprises – it is universally applicable and scalable and can be configured in different languages and time-zones. Shire can also host the software, providing a fully flexible solution that has the added benefit of relieving customers from hardware capital and technology update costs.

Shire attained the BS EN ISO 9001:1994 quality standard accreditation in 2001. In 2002, Shire was among the very first organisations to receive accreditation in terms of the updated, process-based standard BS EN ISO 9001:2000. Shire achieved Microsoft Partnership status in 2005 and became a Microsoft Gold Partner in 2007.

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