

Vendor Catalogues Included with Purchasing Workflow

The Vendor Catalogues collect advanced information to allow the accurate calculation of pricing from sophisticated buying agreements. With this ability and many other options and settings in the catalogue, Purchasing Workflow can make powerful purchasing suggestions.

Vendor Catalogue Features

Purchasing Workflow includes Vendor Catalogues, a rich matrix of vendor specific details that can be recorded against each inventory item.

Setting available for each vendor / item combination include:

- Start and end dates for vendor prices
- Manufacturing / delivery lead-times
- Quantity breaks for reduced purchase prices
- Default vendor flag
- Minimum order quantities
- Incremental order quantities
- Vendor item number

Purchasing Workflow utilises these setting to improve its ability to automate and optimise the requisition interface and inventory re-ordering processes.

Catalogue Import Helper

Vendor Catalogues provides an easy to use import facility which allows vendors to supply a single flat file that represents their catalogue.

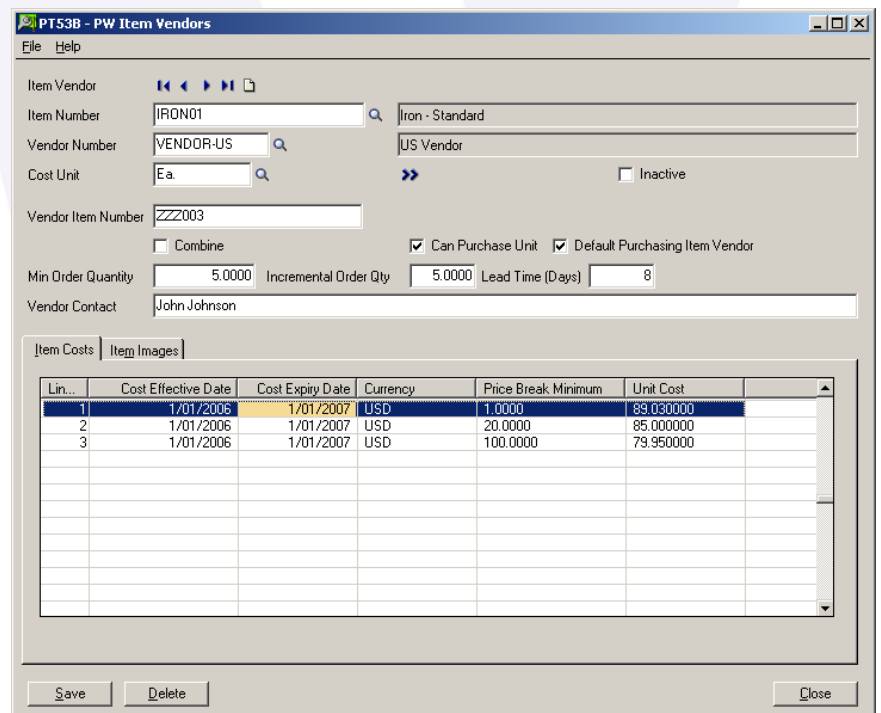
This is first imported to a staging table and validated; any problems with the input data are clearly identified. Finally this data is processed updating information in both Inventory Control and the Vendor Catalogues.

Lowest Cost Vendor

Purchasing Workflow is able to default the lowest cost vendor at the time of requisition entry.

Purchasing staff and Cost Centre managers in the workflow process are capable (if the configuration allows) of reviewing the vendor selection and to modify where they feel an improved approach could gain a cost benefit:

- purchasing in an alternative unit of measure
- a purchasing delay to access new pricing effective dates
- purchasing a higher quantity to achieve discounts, or
- a different vendor



The screenshot shows the 'PT53B - PW Item Vendors' window. It contains the following fields and data:

- Item Vendor:** Navigation icons
- Item Number:** IRON01 (Iron - Standard)
- Vendor Number:** VENDOR-US (US Vendor)
- Cost Unit:** Ea. (Inactive)
- Vendor Item Number:** ZZZ003
- Combine
- Can Purchase Unit
- Default Purchasing Item Vendor
- Min Order Quantity:** 5.0000
- Incremental Order Qty:** 5.0000
- Lead Time (Days):** 8
- Vendor Contact:** John Johnson

The 'Item Costs' tab is active, showing a table with the following data:

Lin...	Cost Effective Date	Cost Expiry Date	Currency	Price Break Minimum	Unit Cost
1	1/01/2006	1/01/2007	USD	1.0000	89.030000
2	1/01/2006	1/01/2007	USD	20.0000	85.000000
3	1/01/2006	1/01/2007	USD	100.0000	79.950000

Buttons at the bottom: Save, Delete, Close.

Vendor Item Documents

Images or any file can be associated with each vendor item; there is no limit on the number of images for each vendor item.

Users are able to view vendor item images or other manufacturer's specifications or internal documentation during requisition data entry to validate correct item or ordering procedures.

Availability & System Requirements

Please refer to the Purchasing Workflow datasheet for availability and systems requirements.

The screenshot shows a software window titled "PTDLRD - PW Item Vendors". It contains several input fields and checkboxes for item configuration. The "Item Number" is "IRON01" and the "Vendor Number" is "VENDOR-US". The "Cost Unit" is "Ea." and the "Vendor Item Number" is "ZZZ003". There are checkboxes for "Can Purchase Unit" and "Default Purchasing Item Vendor", both of which are checked. The "Min Order Quantity" is "5.0000", "Incremental Order Qty" is "5.0000", and "Lead Time (Days)" is "8". The "Vendor Contact" is "John Johnson".

Below these fields are two tabs: "Item Costs" and "Item Images". The "Item Images" tab is active, showing a table with two columns: "File Name" and "Image Path". One row is visible with "Iron.jpg" as the file name and "\\purchasing-svr3\vendors\catalogs\vendor C\images\Iron.jpg" as the image path. To the right of the table is a preview of the image, which is a blue iron. Below the table are "Upload Image" and "Delete Image" buttons. At the bottom of the window are "Save", "Delete", and "Close" buttons.

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