The SmartStore Vending Program
Industrial Vending for the Masses

Powered by Apex Edge Technology™

Plug in, Start Saving

- Control wasteful usage – Fastenal customers are cutting consumption by 30% or more
- Reduce inventory – Inventory is managed and filled by your local Fastenal store
- Minimize “walking and waiting” time
- Track usage virtually any way you want to see it
- Eliminate P.O.s and stock-outs – Your Fastenal store receives an automated order when stock runs low

No Capital Expenses Required

Your local Fastenal store will cover the cost of the machine(s) for a chance to meet more of your product needs. Talk to your Fastenal representative to find out just how easy and affordable it is to get started.
A Lean Point-of-Use Solution
Backed by Local Fastenal Service

It’s like having an on-site 24/7 Fastenal store – stocked with high-use items and located near the point of use.

• Your local Fastenal store provides inventory management services, eliminating excess inventory and stock-outs. You can further reduce inventory through our optional consignment program – pay only for what you vend*
• Every transaction is automatically tracked and authorized, allowing you to **immediately** reduce consumption and spending

Easy to Install
It’s a true Internet appliance. Forget about complicated software and stressful implementations; all you need to get up and running are a 110V outlet and an open Internet connection. Requires minimal effort from your IT personnel.

Easy to Use
The Fast 5000 SmartStore has been custom-built to provide Fastenal customers with easy, reliable vending in real-world industrial applications. You get the functionality you need without paying a premium for “bells and whistles” you’ll never use. No hard drives to crash, no software to manage – just simple, trouble-free performance.

EXTREMELY Easy to Afford
Give your local Fastenal store a chance to meet more of your product needs, and they’ll cover the capital cost of the machine(s) as an investment in your business. **Your only program costs are a one-time shipping & installation charge and a low annual software hosting fee. The bottom line: You get a turn-key industrial vending solution for right around $50 a month per machine.**

The Fast 5000 SmartStore:
The Next Generation in Industrial Vending Technology

Optional Accessories

One Bite™ VDM
Provides single-item dispensing of cutting inserts, welding tips, and other small parts.

Auto SmartStore Locker Set
A secure point-of-use solution for larger or multiple-use items. See back page for more information.

* Consignment program restricted to Net 5 payment terms
** Billing is annual. Average monthly estimate includes shipping, installation, and software hosting. Additional shipping charges apply outside contiguous U.S.
Real Fastenal Customers Are Seeing Real Savings

Employees access product via key code or existing I.D. badge, enabling you to track and control each transaction. You can also set limits on who can vend what, and how much they can vend over time. As a result of this control and visibility, Fastenal customers are typically reducing consumption by 30% – and often much more. Read the case studies for yourself on the SmartStore page on fastenal.com.

Know What You Need to Know About Every Transaction

- View real-time inventory levels and usage data from any standard web browser
- Automated email alerts inform you of low stocking levels, changing usage patterns, and other critical situations
- User-defined tracking options let you know what you need to know about every transaction. Track usage by department, work group, project – virtually any way you want to view it

Eliminate P.O.s and Stock-Outs

There are no P.O.s to cut. Your local Fastenal store receives an automated order when stock becomes low, eliminating downtime, paperwork, and costly rush orders.

“Since installation, we have noticed our usage of products drop 50-60%. This is due to a better control on product plus the fact that we can monitor usage by employee and the costs involved.”
- Glen Shipman, Purchasing Manager, Contracting Division, Dakota, Missouri Valley & Western Railroad

“We’ve cut inventory by at least 75%, and we’ve seen a huge drop in consumption, because people are accountable for what they’re using.”
- Ricardo Lopez, VP Operations, Lakeshore Technologies

What Would You Like to Track, Manage, and Control?

Your SmartStore(s) can be configured to dispense a vast range of Fastenal products. The low cost of the program makes vending cost-effective for common high-use items, and it’s also an efficient way to control high-cost and critical supply usage. You can custom-configure your machine(s) from the ground up, or start with one of our preconfigured units (stocked with our most popular vended items) and swap out products to meet your needs.

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Popular Vended Items Include:

- Eye, Hearing and Hand Protection
- Batteries
- Respirators
- Tape (Masking, Electrical, Teflon, etc.)
- Coated and Non-Woven Abrasives
- Drill Bits
- Taps
- Lubricants, Penetrants, and Corrosion Inhibitors
- Paints, Marking, and Accessories
- Thread Locking Chemicals
- Cable Ties and Accessories
- Knives, Razors, and Multi-Tools
- Tape Measures
- Coveralls
- Cutting and Metalworking Fluids
- Flashlights
- AND MUCH, MUCH MORE!
What About Larger Products, or “Check in/Check out” Items?

The Fast 5000 SmartStore can be equipped with optional Auto SmartStore lockers to vend larger items, manage assets that need to be checked out and returned, or receive “will call” items from your Fastenal store.

Ideal for:
- Hand & Power Tools
- Laptops
- Gauging
- Calibrated & Serialized Tools
- Equipment
- Radios
- Mission Critical Assets
- And More

The system’s software can manage and control all of the functions you need: check in/check out, loan periods, calibration and certification standards, forced returns (one-for-one exchange), required lockdowns, and more.

Implementation Is as Easy as 1-2-3

1. Decide where to place your SmartStore(s)
   All you need is an electrical outlet and direct, unfiltered Internet access. Look for strategic locations to minimize walking time and maximize productivity.

2. Decide which Fastenal items to stock and how to access the machine(s)
   Work with your Fastenal representative to develop a starting list of products to be vended – changes can always be made as you gain more experience with the system. If you prefer to use your current I.D. badges to access the machine(s), you’ll need to provide Fastenal with samples for testing.

3. Then Start Saving
   Professional installation is available throughout North America. A project coordinator will organize installation, implementation, and training; and your Fastenal rep will keep the machine(s) stocked moving forward. Upon installation, you can immediately start monitoring usage to set controls and optimize your product mix.

“"The machines have performed very well. Anytime we have needed their assistance with service, they’ve been quick to respond. I would recommend the Fastenal SmartStore program to anyone needing a quality vending solution.”

- Doug Johnson, Energy Category Sourcing Manager, Xcel Energy

“"The SmartStore program has freed up time for crib purchasing and allowed us to bring accountability and control to our high-volume production MRO items. We’ve controlled our costs, and we know exactly where product is being used on a daily basis.”

- Mark Vasck, Purchasing & Maintenance Manager Cooper Standard Automotive, Bowling Green, OH

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Go to fastenal.com to view the video, read case studies, and calculate your potential savings. You can also or email us directly at smartstore@fastenal.com