



**WHAT ARE THE BEST
PRACTICES FOR WEB ORDER
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Introduction

In the ever-evolving world of e-commerce, having an efficient web order management and fulfillment solution is vital for having a successful online business. This White Paper will explore the best practices for web order management and fulfillment and how M.X. Data's ShipMX will help you achieve your e-commerce goals by optimizing business operations.

Best Practices for Web Order Management and Fulfillment

To choose the best solution for you it is crucial to define the best practices for Web Order Management and Fulfillment.

- **Real-time Inventory Management:** Your inventory must be updated in real-time across all sales channels to work efficiently while preventing over-selling and stockouts.
- **Automated Order Processing:** Automated order processing allows you to eliminate manual work so you can expedite the processing of orders, including order routing and customer confirmation emails.
- **Order Tracking:** Real-time order tracking prevents customer inquiries and complaints allowing your business to have a higher customer satisfaction rate.
- **Customer Communication:** It is important to communicate with your customers so you can be sure to fill any need that is not being met in their shopping process.
- **Efficient Picking and Packing Process:** Optimizing operations in the warehouse to provide quick and cost-effective order fulfillment.

Best Practices for Web Order Management and Fulfillment

- **Provide Consumers with Shipping Options and Rates:** Offering a variety of shipping options and rates to create lower shipping costs and higher retention in customers.
- **Returns Management:** An efficient and affordable returns process is crucial for handling returns effectively.
- **Quality Control:** Implementing quality control checks to ensure orders are fulfilled correctly without error.
- **Outstanding Customer Service:** High customer satisfaction is key to having any business. Customer service must be your top priority to keep retention rates high and your customers happy.
- **Data Analytics for Continuous Improvement:** Data analytics provide insight into all aspects of the retail business so the retailer can adjust to customer preferences.

The Solution: M.X. Data's ShipMX

ShipMX offers a range of features and capabilities that make it the optimal choice for businesses seeking to streamline their web order management and fulfillment processes. Buy online pick-up in-store, buy online return in-store, and same-day delivery options were always available but they have now become almost essential in today's retail world.

ShipMX provides accurate and real-time visibility to product details and customers across all locations and channels. ShipMX will create a more effective Web Order Fulfillment process for your staff resulting in a 60%-80% reduction in Order Fulfillment Cycle Time. You can see a significant return on investment through the efficiency of the order fulfillment cycle.

The Solution: M.X. Data's ShipMX

This solution is designed to scale with your business to accommodate your current order volume and future expansion. The seamless integration into e-commerce platforms and a user-friendly interface allow ShipMX to set itself apart from competitors.

Most eCommerce brands are unable to grow without an order management system in place. Customers expect efficient, cost-effective, and personalized order fulfillment. There is no room for manual error.

M.X. Data provides comprehensive customer support and training, ensuring that businesses can maximize the benefits of ShipMX. Our feedback and reviews have validated ShipMX's effectiveness and show how it can be customized to fit each business's unique needs.

Success Stories with ShipMX

Miltons – The Store for Men

"Miltons has been partnered with M.X. Data for nearly 14 years. We found M.X. Data when we were looking to replace our POS and complete merchandising software system. We initially chose M.X. Data because they were completely committed to the Retail Pro software system. Other companies we interviewed played one software system off another and, unlike M.X. Data, were not committed to one solution. M.X. Data was there every step of the way in helping Miltons implement a successful transition to the Retail Pro total software solution, and with our centralized Retail Pro environment, updating and upgrading our Retail Pro software is easily accomplished.

As our retail operation evolved over the years, we again reached out to M.X. Data to help develop a complete E-commerce/Retail Pro integration solution.

Many small companies think you just open an E-commerce website and that's it. This was certainly not the case with Miltons. We needed a system that would constantly update our current inventory to our website and then complete the process of fulfillment and shipping to our customers. M.X. Data developed the PortalMX and ShipMX solutions that helps solve this problem for us. These solutions allow us to compete with some of our largest competitors, like Macy's and Men's Warehouse. The solutions are seamless and transparent to our customers, who only care that their items are available to order, fulfilled, and shipped to them in a timely manner. PortalMX accomplishes this for Miltons. Without M.X. Data's solution, we would spend too much wasted time going through all the individual steps needed to successfully run an E-commerce business.

Success Stories with ShipMX

Miltons – The Store for Men

Each time we have implemented a new solution for our business, M.X. Data takes the time to carefully plan out and accurately assess what is needed to accomplish the project. They follow through each step of the way and update tasks as needed. Issues sometimes occur during any project implementation, and I have always been impressed with how M.X. Data evaluates these issues and carefully arrives at the best solutions.

Through the years, I have found M.X. Data to be a true partner in our business. Miltons is in the retail business, not the technology business. I have dealt with other technology companies that are only interested in billing hours to solve a problem, whether it is solved or not. M.X. Data has found the perfect balance of billing hours and knowing when we need to act a partner to solve a problem.

I would recommend M.X. Data to any retail company that is looking to compete in today's ever changing retail environment. They can implement a solution from your customer facing POS terminals to the technology driven E-commerce side of the retail business. If you would like to reach out for more details please feel free to contact me directly."

CFO/COO - Bill Leva

Success Stories with ShipMX

Independent Pet Partners

“MX Data has been great with helping us integrate Retail Pro into an EDI solution, that met our needs for order placement and fulfillment, and continuous support after launch. The partnership allowed Chuck & Don’s to grow our replenishment needs and streamline our processes.”

John Singer

Clic Gallery

“I feel very supported by your team. I think it is a process, but I am super happy. As I said in my meeting yesterday, just having that process of organized fulfillment of orders is a big change. I see the changes and for me it’s very important that we change and we are working with M.X. Data. It’s a huge positive change for me.”

Senya Correal

Success Stories with ShipMX

Global Brands Group

“I selected M.X. Data as my business partner after meeting with multiple business partners, M.X. Data’s expertise in retail and knowledge of current technologies stood out far past the competition.

M.X. Data has helped me in many ways, from standard support services, to implementing middleware that helped us connect our various disparate systems. After implementing their middleware the team was able to gain insight across all of our direct-to-consumer channels which proved to be invaluable.

One thing I especially like was their dedication to the project, they always made an effort to keep us up to date with our project status, which made us feel like we were their priority and not just another project.

I would recommend M.X. Data to any retailer who needs a dedicated team with retail IT experience to assist with their current systems or to implement new ones. “

Neilson Flemming

Conclusion: Choosing the Right Solution for Your Business

In conclusion, choosing the right solution for your business is most important. You need to identify your business needs, compare all solution's ROI and analysis, and choose the one that fits your workflow the best.

Retailers must have a web order management and fulfillment solution. Choose ShipMX to be your optimal choice for a seamless e-commerce operation!