

# Shipping Automation with **StarShip**

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## Overview

The Eclipse integration with StarShip's shipping system gives distributors an automated shipping solution that dramatically boosts productivity and controls costs. StarShip automates all aspects of shipment processing. Powerful and easy to use, StarShip handles all shipping tasks including rating, labeling, tracking, and reporting. StarShip's multi-carrier management capabilities let you shop for and select the best carrier for your specific shipment. No matter your shipping volume, StarShip reduces shipping costs and improves customer service.



## Benefits

- **Quickly Turns Orders into Shipments.** Why retype shipping information? With StarShip you don't have to. Just select an Eclipse order, and StarShip instantly uses the Ship-to address, PO Number, Ship Via, COD amount, declared value, and more.
- **Multiple-Carrier Shipping and Savings.** StarShip manages multiple carriers, so you can process shipments faster, and more efficiently. StarShip handles all the major carriers like UPS, FedEx, Airborne Express, RPS, and the US Postal Service.
- **A Complete Shipping System.** StarShip calculates zones and rates, then prints all the forms and labels. Package weight can be typed in, or read automatically from an electronic scale. Because StarShip writes the freight charges back to the Eclipse ledger, you can invoice orders as you ship.
- **UPS OnLine Certified.** Transmit package information electronically, and access UPS databases. Use StarShip and UPS OnLine for paperless manifesting, reduced labor costs, and immediate tracking information.

## Highlights

### ■ **Carrier Shopping . . . Always the best rates, services**

StarShip lets you get the best rate for every package you ship. Quickly "rate shop" for the best carrier based on freight cost, and other factors like weight, zone, and zip code. Rate shopping cuts your costs, while precisely matching your customers' shipping requirements. That means better service. StarShip also supports Dimensional Weight pricing, plus UPS real-time Hundredweight grouping and late-shipment reports.



■ **Multiple User Interface . . . *Instant access to shipping information***

StarShip’s intuitive interface supports multiple users. This means anyone in your organization can instantly access shipping information—without interrupting shipment processing. Because StarShip maintains a single shipment history for all carriers, you can also look up past shipments and respond quickly to customer inquiries.

■ **Management Reporting . . . *Turn raw shipping data into useful management reports***

StarShip’s management reports give you better control over your entire shipping operation. Using either standard or user-defined reports, StarShip lets you easily analyze costs, monitor outbound activity, and identify trends.

■ **Carrier-Compliant Forms and Labels . . . *Meet complex labeling requirements***

Today more and more companies are forced by carriers and customers alike to meet complex and stringent labeling requirements. StarShip helps you meet these challenges by electronically preparing a complete range of carrier-compliant bar codes and other key shipping labels and forms. StarShip combines the task of label printing with shipment processing, reducing errors and labor costs.



■ **An Integrated Shipping Solution . . . *Automates distributor shipping***

With Eclipse and StarShip, distributors have an integrated shipping solution that quickly processes orders for shipment. StarShip instantly retrieves all the Eclipse shipping information, cutting time and mistakes. After StarShip shops for the shipment’s best carrier, StarShip automatically writes the freight charges back to the Eclipse ledger, so you can invoice as you ship. Eclipse and StarShip automate all your shipping, with proper rating, labeling, tracking, and reporting.

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## Requirements

### Application Software

Eclipse Distribution Management System  
Shipping Automation with StarShip  
Airborne Express Module (Optional)  
FedEx Module (Optional)  
US Postal Service Module (Optional)

### Hardware

StarShip Certified Electronic Scale  
StarShip Certified Thermal Label Printer  
Pentium Processor, 16 MB RAM, Windows 95