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Getting started with Freight Central and Shippit



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Freight Central Shippit integration configuration

Prerequisites

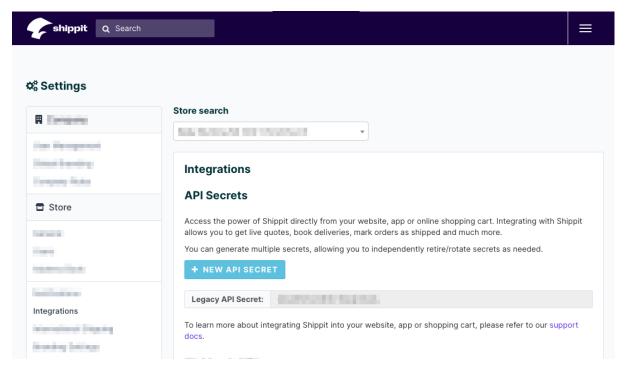
To get started with the Business Central Freight Central Shippit Integration, you will need.

- 1. Shippit Account: Either a staging or production account
- 2. Freight Central Extension
- 3. Freight Central Shippit Extension
- 4. PrintNode Account (optional)

The 30-day free trial of Freight Central will give you unrestricted access to all features, including the Freight Central Shippit Integration and the Tasklet Pack and Ship Integration. Contact Skipper Dynamics to extend the trial period if needed.

Shippit account

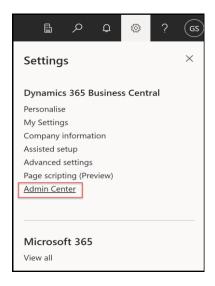
- 1. Create a staging account or a production account.
- 2. Copy the API key:
 - a. Log in to your Shippit account
 - b. Click on the drop-down menu in the top right select **Settings**.
 - c. Navigate to the Integrations section.
 - d. Find the API key in the API Secrets section.
 - e. Each store has its own unique API key. Use the drop-down box at the top of the page to change store and see its unique API key. Copy the API key and save the key.



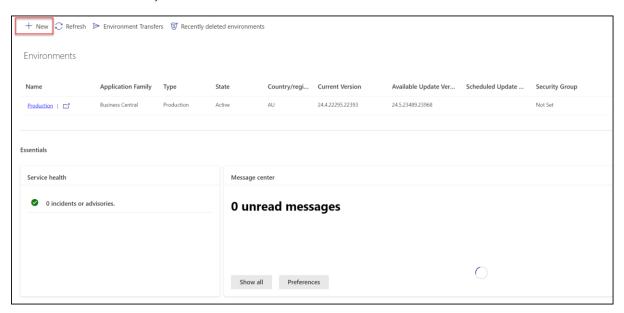
Create a BC Sandbox Environment

Ensure you have access to the **Admin Center** in Business Central. If you don't, please contact your administrator for access.

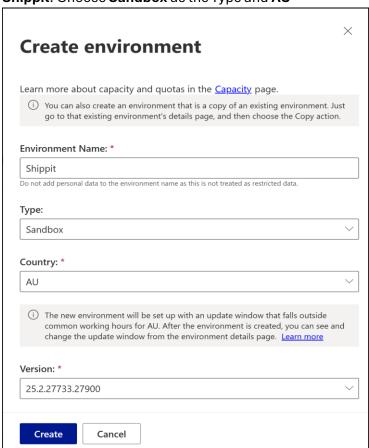
1. Go to Admin Center: Open Business Central and navigate to the Admin Center.



Create a New Sandbox, click on + New.



Create a new sandbox environment in **Business Central** with the environment name **Shippit**. Choose **Sandbox** as the Type and **AU**

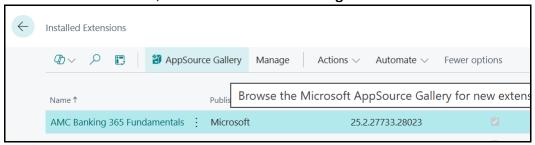


Refresh the page until the **State** becomes **Active**. Then, click on the link next to the environment name to open the Shippit sandbox environment.

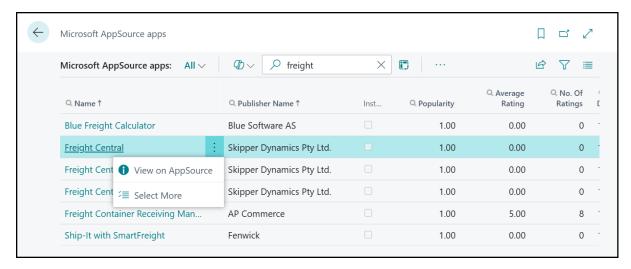


Install the Freight Central Extension

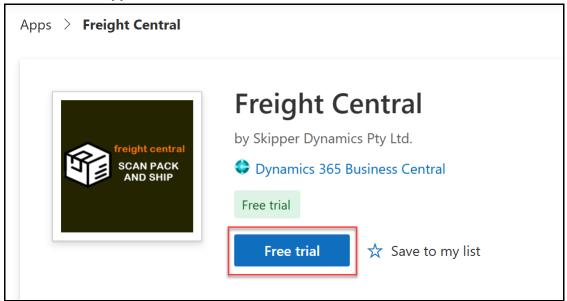
Within Business Central, search for Extension Management.



Click on AppSource Gallery and search for Freight Central.



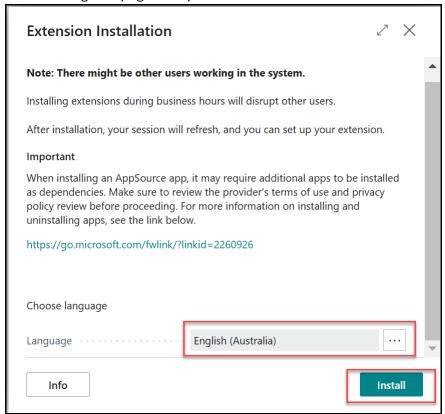
Select View on AppSource and then click on Free Trial.



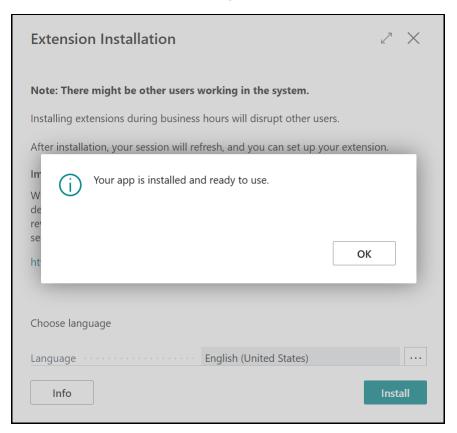
A web page will open. Select your desired environment.



The following web page will open in Business Central.

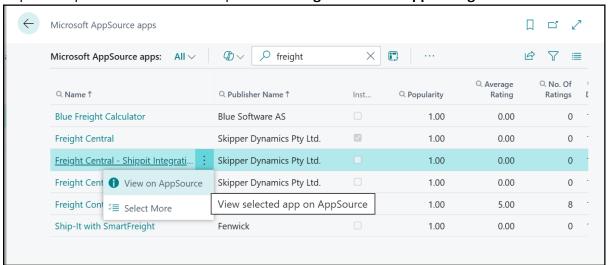


Select the language **English (Australia)** and click **Install**. Wait a few minutes, then click **OK** and close the extension installation page.



Install the Freight Central Shippit Integration

Repeat the previous installation steps for the Freight Central Shippit Integration.

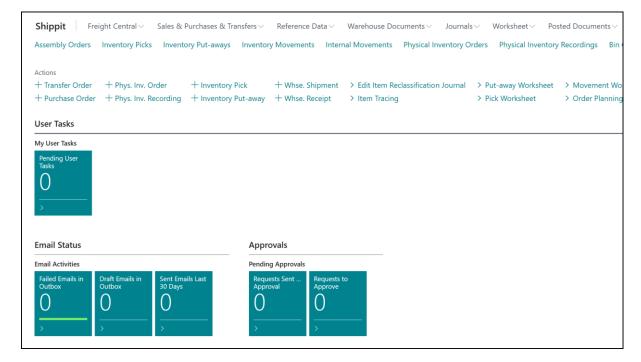


Enable Freight Central Manager Role

In Business Central, navigate to the top right corner and click on **Settings**. In **My Settings**, select **Role** and choose **Freight Central Manager**.

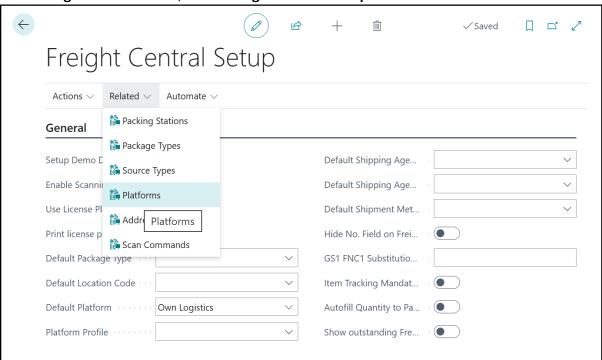
Freight Central Manager Role

The **Freight Central Manager** role gives you access to all available warehouse management features, including **Freight Central Setup** and the **Freight Order List**. For warehouse users who manage the packing station, you must add the **Freight Order List** to the active **Role Center**.

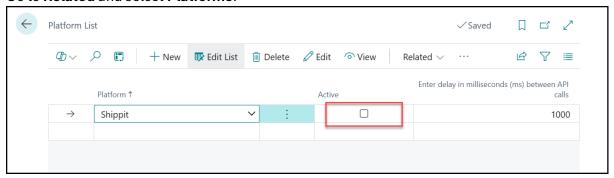


Setup Freight Central with Shippit integration

In the Freight Central menu, select Freight Central Setup.



Go to Related and select Platforms.

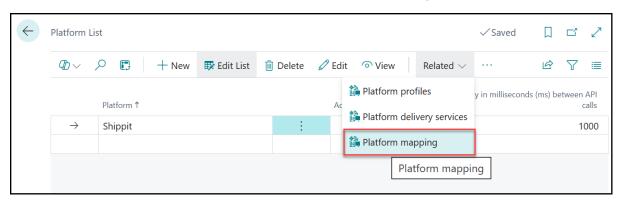


Mark the Active field and click Yes.

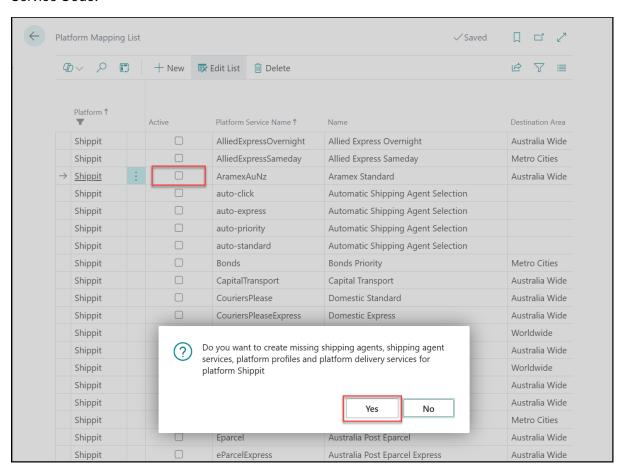


Select preferred Shipping Agents and Services

From the Platform list, select Related and then Platform Mapping.

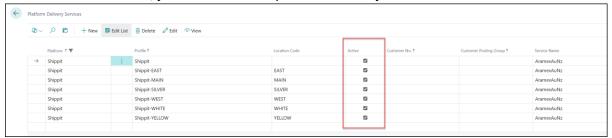


From the **Platform Mapping List**, select the platform service name **AramexAuNz (Aramex Standard)**. This will set up **Aramex** as a shipping agent and **Standard** as the Shipping Agent Service Code.



View the Platform delivery services for Shippit

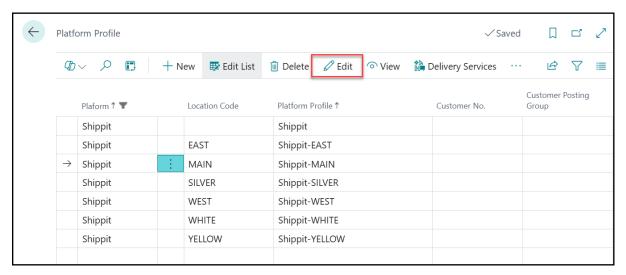
From the Platform List, you can select the platform delivery services.



By default, each platform service is enabled. A platform service includes a **Shipping Agent**, **Shipping Agent Service**, the **Shippit platform**, and a **location**. You can remove or deactivate the services that are not required. For example, if you do not ship from a certain location, or you do not use a **Shipping Agent Service** from a certain location.

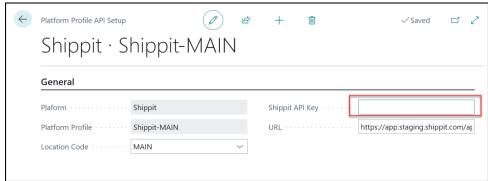
Enter Shippit API Key

For each store in **Shippit**, you can create an **API Key**. You will have as many **Platform Profiles** as you have stores in Shippit. The **API Key** is required for **Freight Central** to communicate with Shippit. From the **Platform List**, you can select the Platform profiles



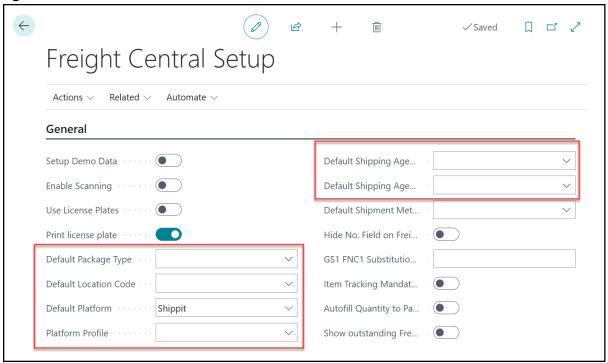
Click **Edit** and enter the Shippit API Key you saved earlier.

- For the staging environment, use the URL: https://app.staging.shippit.com/api/3
- For the production environment, use the URL: https://app.shippit.com/api/3

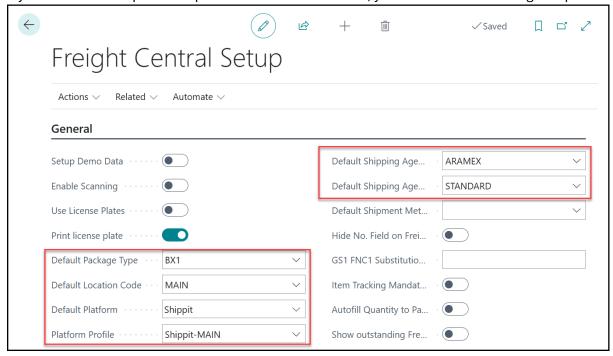


Finalise the Freight Central Setup

Certain fields are not set up yet in the **Freight Central Setup**. Enter the **Default Package Type**, **Default Location Code**, **Platform Profile**, **Default Shipping Agent**, and **Default Shipping Agent Services Code**.

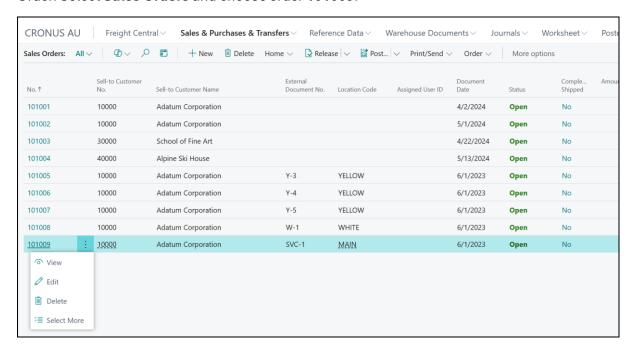


If you follow the script to set up the sandbox environment, you can use the following setup.

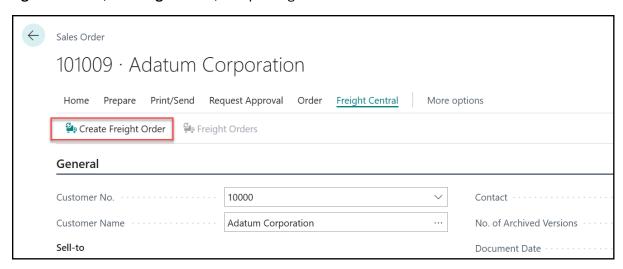


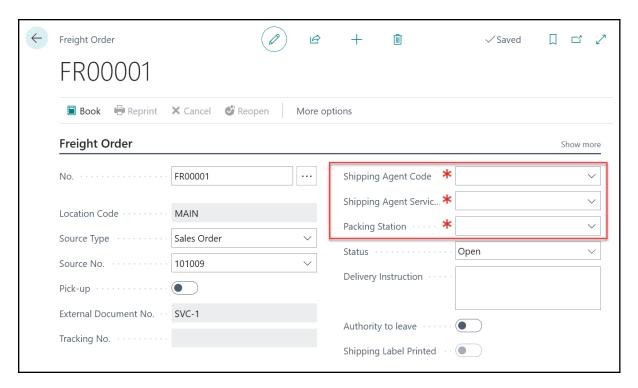
Create your first Freight Central Shippit Freight Order

There are several ways to create a freight order in Freight Central. One method is from the Sales Order. Select **Sales Orders** and choose order **101009**.

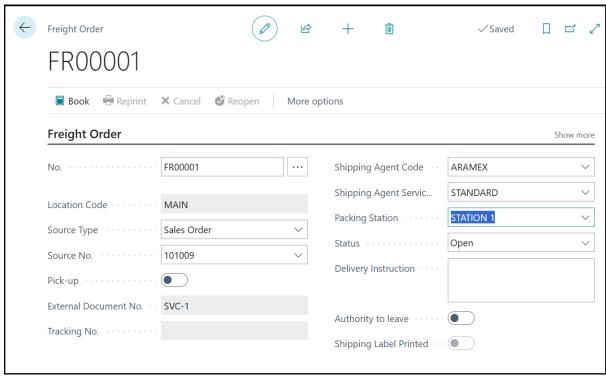


From the **Freight Central Menu**, click on **Create Freight Order**. A new **Freight Order** page will open. From there, you can enter any missing information such as **Shipping Agent**, **Shipping Agent Service**, **Packing Station**, and package dimensions.





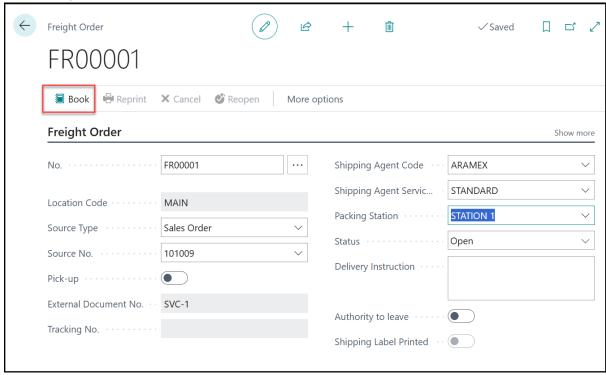
Enter the missing information. The **Shipping Agent Code** and **Shipping Agent Service Code** will default from the Sales Order.



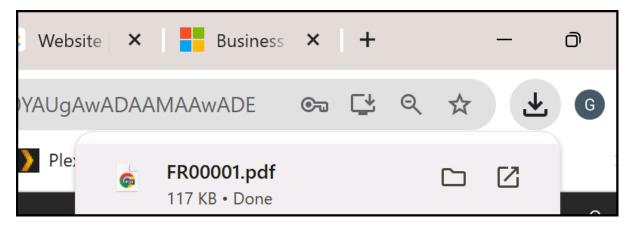
Enter the package type and weight.



After entering all consignment information, you can book the freight. Click on the **Book** function in the **Freight Order Menu**.



The shipping label will be downloaded to your **Downloads** folder.



The label result:

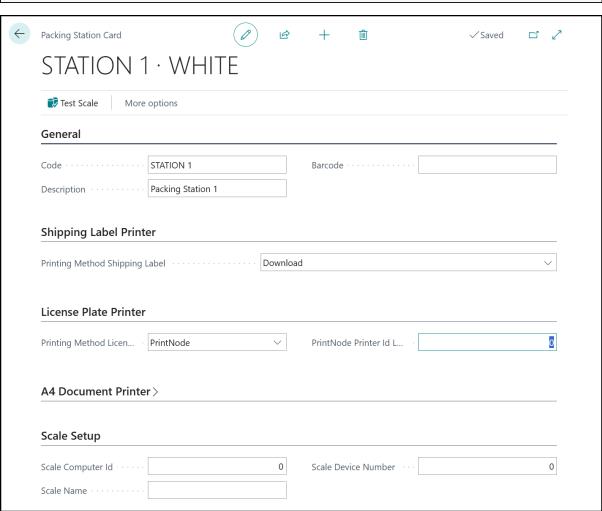


Freight Central Setup

Packing stations

A packing station is a workspace in the warehouse or office where products are checked, packed, and labelled for shipping. You can have more than one packing station per location. On the packing station card, you can define the printing methods, associate a barcode with the packing station, and set up a PrintNode-compatible printers and scale.



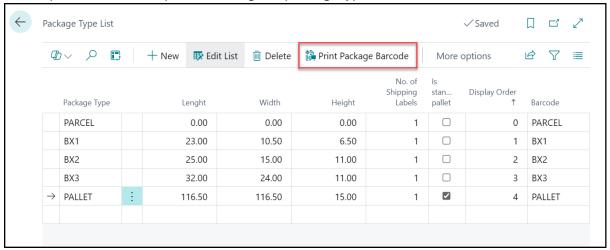


There are three printing options:

- **Download:** Labels will be downloaded to the **Downloads** folder.
- **Email**: A copy of the label document will be attached and sent to the nominated email address of the printer.
- **PrintNode**: This is an online service for cloud-based printing. You can register for a free trial here. After installing the PrintNode client on the packing station, you can print directly to the label printer. To get the PrintNode Label Printer ID, click on the hidden icons and select **PrintNode**.

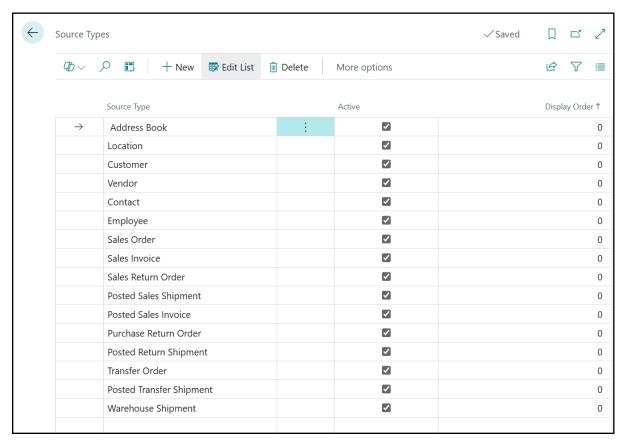
Package Types

You can define the package types and their dimensions in the **Package Type List**. A barcode can be printed to enable quick scanning of a package type at the workstation.



Source Types

A **Freight Order** can be created from a source type such as a **Customer Card** or **Warehouse Shipment**. You can make a source active by enabling it. If a source type is disabled, you will not be able to create a freight order from that source.

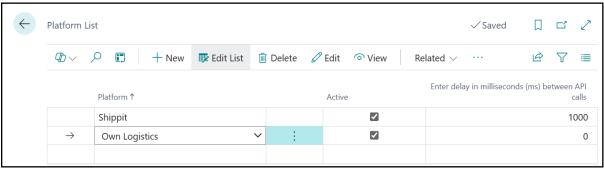


If the customer is an active source and will show the "Freight Central" menu item on the customer card.



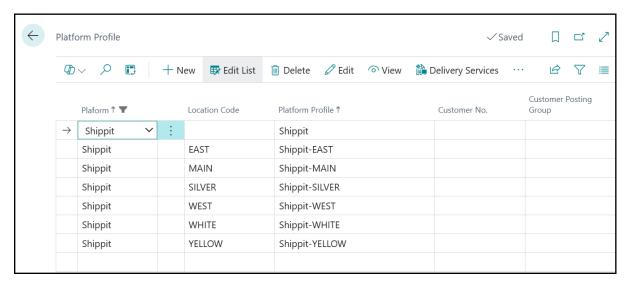
Platforms

A platform provides access to one or more carriers and carrier services (Shipping Agent and Shipping Agent Services). Within **Freight Central**, you can enable one or more platforms. In addition to the Shippit Platform, you can enable the **Own Logistics Platform**. This platform allows you to record freight for your own managed transport or transport that does not require API integration. Multiple platforms can be used simultaneously.



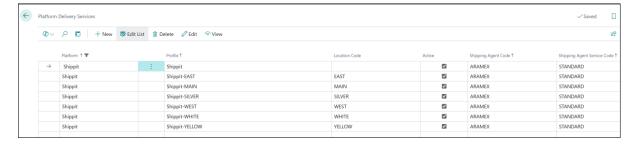
Platform Profiles

Platform profiles are used to associate a platform with a pick-up location or a store in Shippit. If you run multiple e-commerce websites, you can enter a **Customer No.** or **Customer Posting Group** to provide a branded experience on the shipping label or for tracking packages. This is especially useful if you manage multiple e-commerce sites or provide drop shipments through marketplaces.



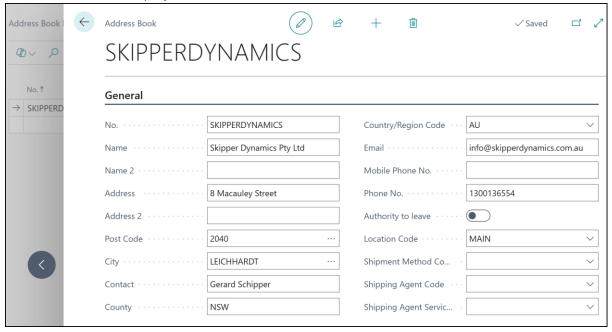
Platform Delivery Services

For each platform profile, you can set up platform delivery services. A delivery service is the **Shipping Agent Services Code**. You can activate the services available for a location.



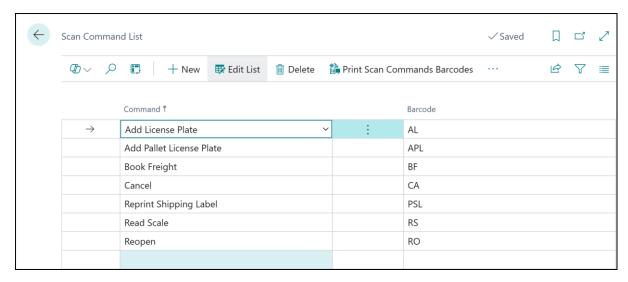
Address Book

You can setup delivery addresses for business partners that are not setup as a customer, vendor, contact or employee.



Scan Commands

For each function on freight order, you can define a scan command barcode. If you scan the scan command barcode in the scan box of the freight order the related function is executed.



Enable Scanning

If you have access to a keyboard wedge barcode scanner, you can enable the **Enable Scanning** option in the **Freight Central Setup**. A scanning box will be displayed on the freight order. You can use barcode scanning to create freight orders, select package types, scan products into a package, scan license plates, print license plates, and book freight.



Use license plates

License plating is a warehouse management method used to group and manage inventory within a container, such as a pallet, carton, or truck. Each container is assigned a unique License Plate Number (LPN) and labeled with a barcode. In **Freight Central**, you can assign a license plate to a package and scan a SKU into a package. Packages can be grouped into a higher-level license plate, like a pallet. License plating ensures EDI compliance with larger retailers and is fully compatible with the **Tasklet Pack and Ship** integration.

Print License Plate

Print a license plate after adding it to the freight order. **Freight Central** allows you to create license plates without printing them. This is useful when you are not using the license plate functionality but still want to add and weigh the packages.

Default Package type

The default package type is selected if you add a package to the freight order. Note if you scan a package type barcode. A package will be added to the freight order setup with the dimension of the package type. Leave the default package type blank if you want to force selecting a package type when adding a package

Default location code

If you create a miscellaneous freight order and no location is available, the default location is used.

Default Platform, default Shipping Agent and services

If more than one platform is setup a platform selector algorithm is used to select the platform based on Shipping Agent Code, Shipping Agent Delivery Service and activated delivery services. If the algorithm cannot provide a platform the default setup is used.

Hide Number field on freight order page

Hides the number field on the freight order page

GS1 FNC1 Substitution Character

The item label in **Freight Central** supports carton quantity, lot number, serial number, and expiration date according to GS1 formatting. These fields are separated by the **FNC1** substitution character. Many barcode scanners have the ability to replace this **FNC1** character with an ASCII character. This ASCII character is used to separate the field in **Business Central**, allowing you to enter carton quantities as packed quantities, and record the lot number, serial number, and expiration date.

Item Tracking Mandatory

When enabled, items that required lot tracking or serial number tracking and expiration dates are mandatory when you use license plating to pack the goods.

Autofill quantity to pack

Populates the quantity to pack field on the freight order line.

Show outstanding freight order lines to pack only

While scanning the items into a license plate only the freight order lines still to pack will be shown. If there are no items to pack left, the freight order is fully packed

Freight Order Nos.

Freight order number series

License plate Nos.

License plate number series

Report No Freight Order License Plate

Report 72099580 is the standard license plate report that contains the order details or the source document.

Report No. Generic License Plate

Report 72099575 allows you to print license plates without order details. On the report, you can select a package type, which is useful if you want to print a bundle of license plates. When you scan the license plate on the freight order, the package dimensions are automatically populated.

Report No. Item Label

Report 72099578 prints Item Barcodes, you can define the box/pallet quantity, unit of measure, variant code and tracking details like lot number, serial number and expiration date.

Tracking No. Series

Define the tracking no. series for your own logistics.

Own Logistics Report No. Shipping Label

Report No. Shipping Label Own Logistics.

QR Code Shipping Label

Define the QR Code on the own. Logistics shipping label

Printing Barcode on Warehouse Shipment

- Seach Report Layout Selection
- Select Report Id 7317 Warehouse Shipment
- Select Layout
- Select Report Layout Warehouse Pick Barcode
- Press OK

Printing Barcode on Pick Instructions

- Seach Report Layout Selection
- Select report Id 214 Pick Instruction
- Select Layout
- Select Report Layout Pick Instruction Barcode
- Press OK

Printing Barcode on Sales Shipment

- Seach Report Layout Selection
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- Select Layout
- Select Report Layout Sales Shipment Barcode
- Press OK

Printing Barcode on Picking List

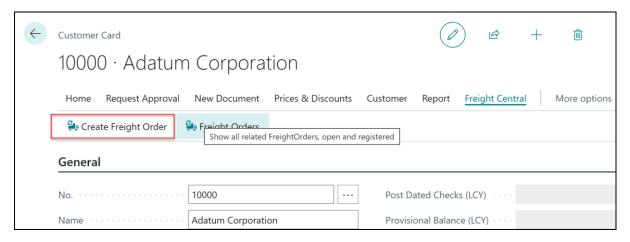
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- Select report Id 5752 Picking List
- Select Layout
- Select Report Layout Warehouse Pick Barcode
- Press OK

Exercises

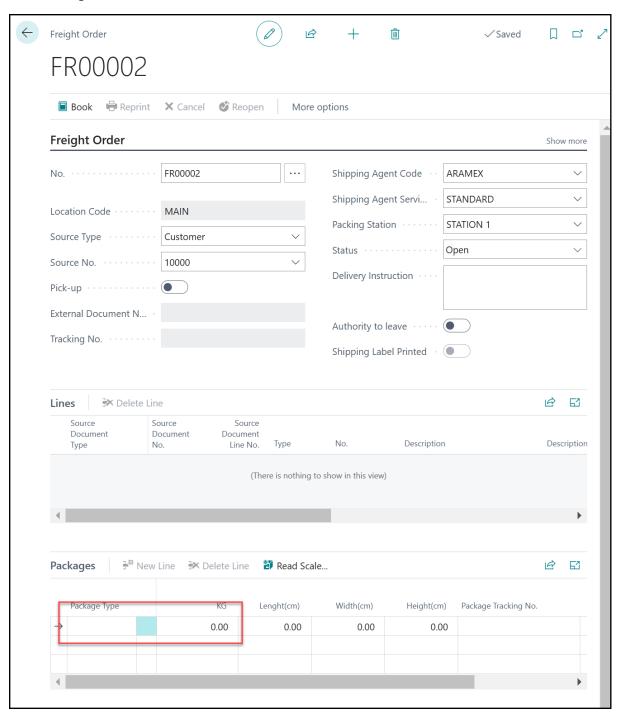
Exercise 1 – Create Freight Order from Customer Card

Select customer 10000 Adatum Corporation and open the customer card. Please note that this customer is not setup with a default location.

Select menu item Freight Central - Create Freight Order



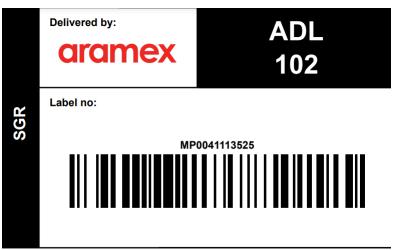
On the Freight order tab select Show More



- Select the Packing Station
- Select a package type and enter the weight in KG
- Select function Book

A package tracking number is generated by Aramex and you find the label in the download folder.





Adatum Corporation Station Road, 21 Station Arcade 5000 SA



Sender:

Skipper Dynamics Pty Ltd 8 Macauley Street Leichhardt 2040 NSW



10.0kg 0.39kg (23.0 x 10.5 x 6.5) 27/12/2024 1 of 1

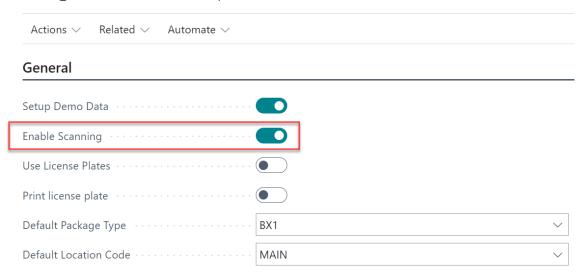
- Select Cancel the status of the freight order will change to Cancelled
- Select Reopen the status of the freight order will change to Open
- You can now Book fright again

Exercise 2 – Create freight order by scanning barcode on the pick instruction

In the Freight Central Management Role Center select Freight Central – Freight Central Setup enable Scanning.



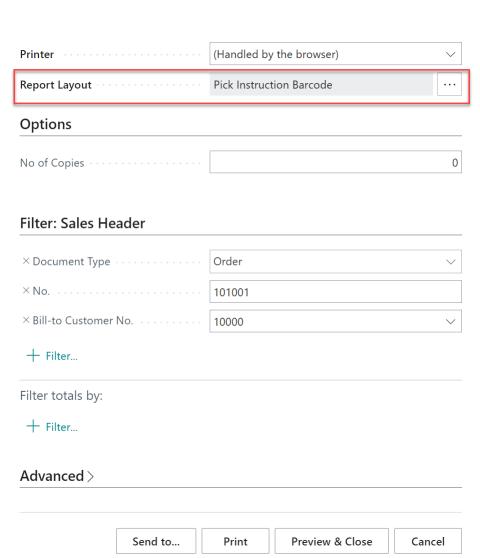
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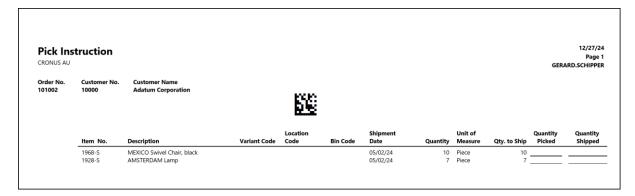
- Go to Sales Order 101002
- Change the Shipping Agent to "ARAMEX"
- Change the Shipping Agent Service Code to "STANDARD"
- Select Print/Send
- Select Pick Instruction
- Select Report Layout "Pick Instruction Barcode"
- Print the document

Pick Instruction

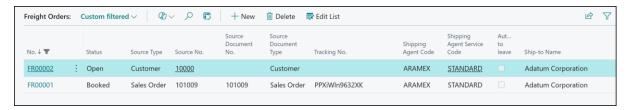




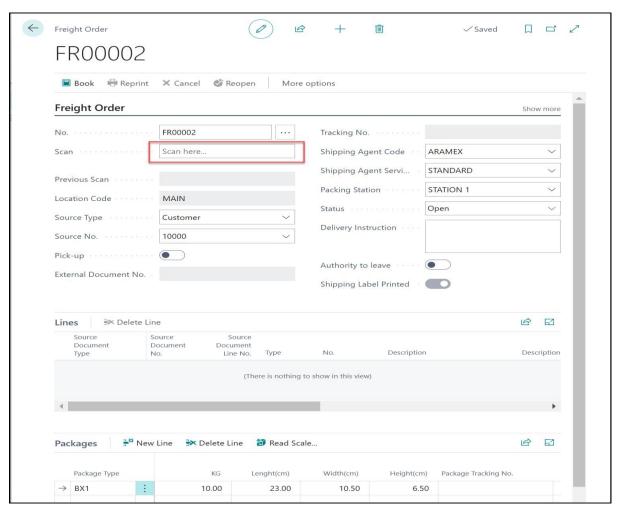
The Barcode contains the Sales Order Number (101002).



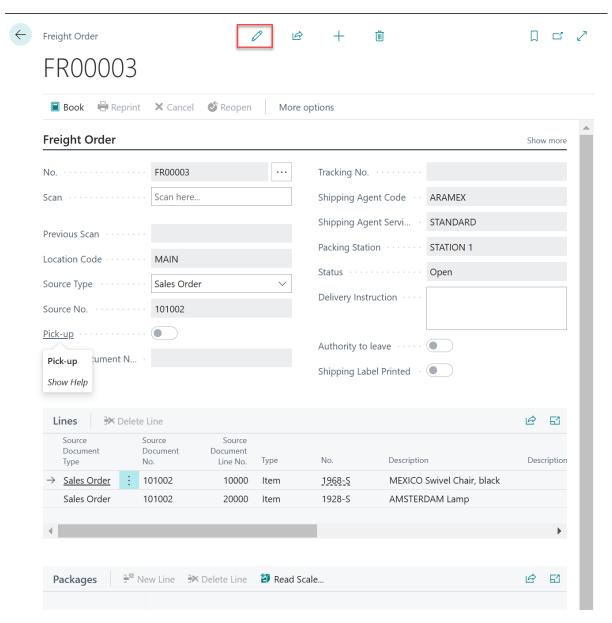
Exit the sales order page and go to a freight order.



Select any Freight Order. Put the focus on the "Scan here" field scan the 2D barcode from the pick or enter the Sales Order document number 101002 manually.

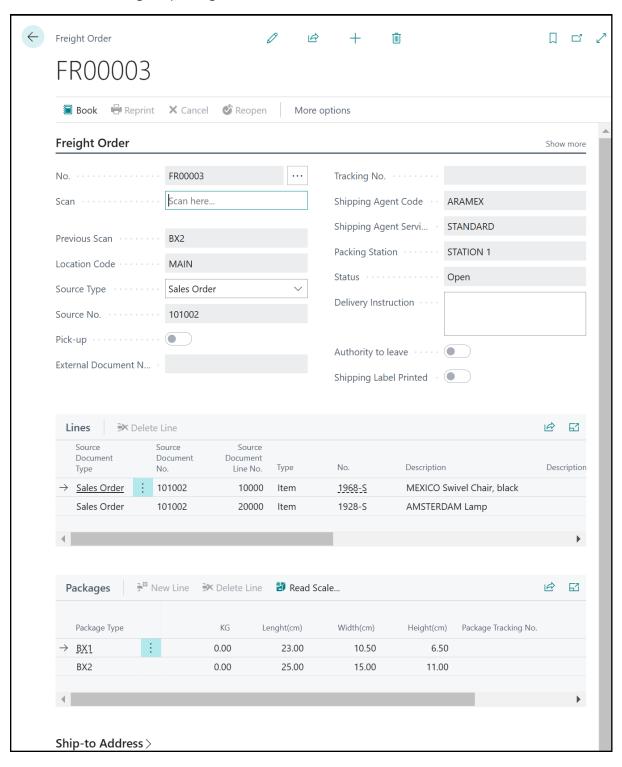


You can retain the focus in the Scan field by putting the freight order in non-edit mode. Click on the pencil. Result after scanning the barcode.



Add a package type BX1 in the scan field, add another package BX2 in the scan field.

Result after scanning the package barcodes:



To finalize the freight order, you must enter the weights for the two packages. You can then book the freight and print the labels.

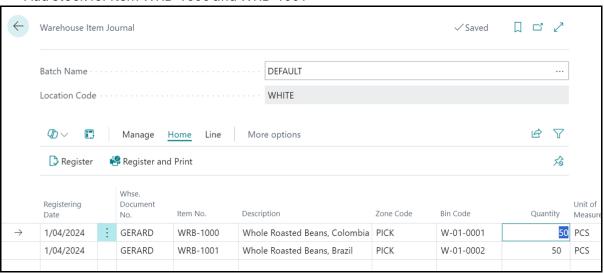
Exercise 3 - Create a Freight Order from Warehouse Shipment and scan item barcode

This exercise is using Sales Order 101008, this order is using location code WHITE – the use of Warehouse Shipment and Picks is mandatory.

To scan the items into the license plate we need to print some Item labels for Item WRB-1000 and WRB-1001.

Prerequisites

- Go to Freight Central Setup enable Use License Plates
- Go to Freigh Central Setup Platforms Platform Profiles Select Shippit White Edit enter API Key
- Go to Location WHITE enter address, telephone number and email address.
- Go to Warehouse Employee, add yourself for Location WHITE, make this default as well
- Add stock for Item WRB-1000 and WRB-1001



• Run function Calculate Warehouse Adjustment on the Item Journal and post the journal

Create Item Labels

- · Go to a freight order
- Select Reports
- Select Print Item Labels
- Print a label for Item WRB-1000 and WRB-1001

No.

WRB-1000

Description

Whole Roasted Beans, Colombia



Create License Plates

- Go to a freight order
- Select Reports
- Select Print License Plates
- On the options tab select package type BX1
- Enter Quantity 5
- Print Label

CRONUS AU

1 Epping Road

NSW

CANBERRA NSW 2600

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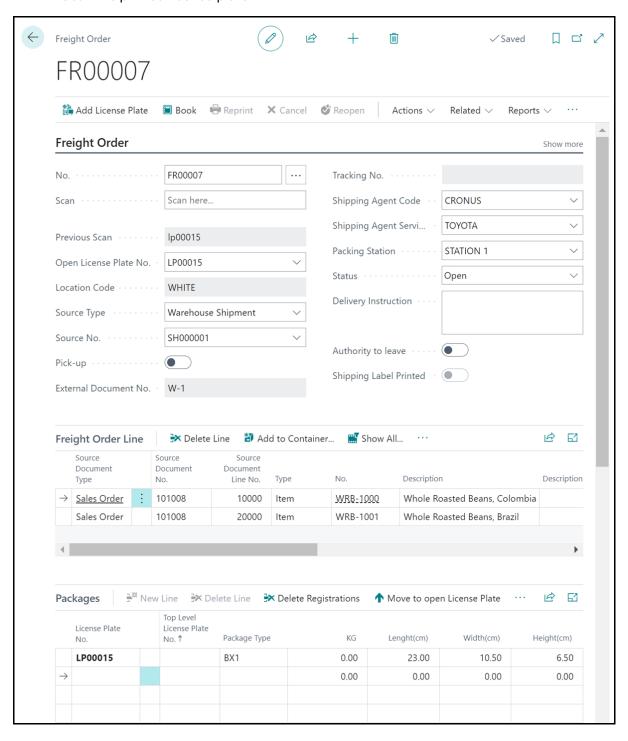
BX1

Container No: LP00002



Create Warehouse Shipment

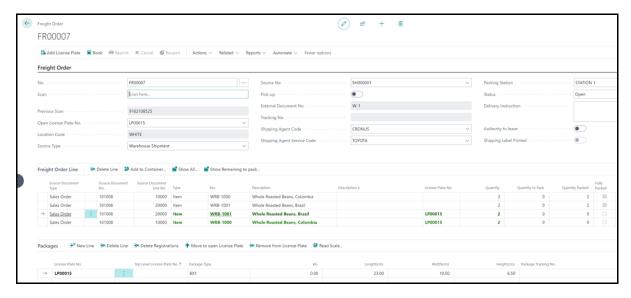
- Go to Sales Order 101008
- Enter Shipping Agent "CRONUS" and Shipping Agent Services Code "TOYOTA"
- Create Warehouse Shipment
- Create Warehouse Pick
- Register Warehouse Pick
- Go to the Warehouse Shipment
- Create Freight Order from Warehouse Shipment
- Scan the printed license plate



After scanning the license plate the license plate is added as a package. The field open license plate also has the license plate field.

- Scan 2x Item label WRB-1000 or enter the Item No or GTIN in the Scan field
- Scan 2 x Item label WRB-1001.

The order is now fully packed



The order lines are both related to the license plate.

Print Scan Commands

- Select Reports
- Print Command Barcodes

Book freight

- Enter the weight of the package
- Book freight by scanning the Book Freight Barcode