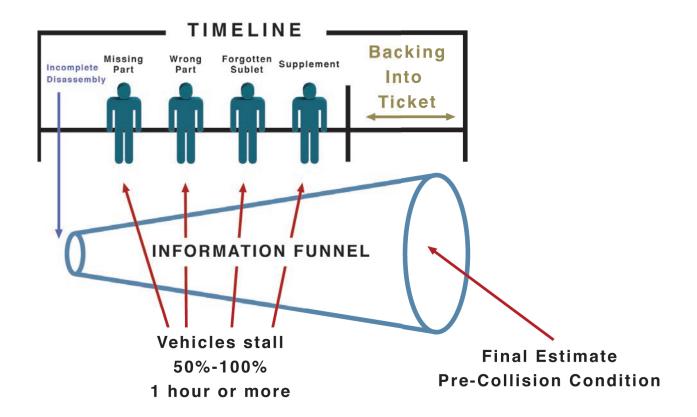
# 2021WORKBOOK CANONS OF SUCCESS

# BODY SHOP BASICS

### **Typical Body Shop:**

# Reactive

### Paperwork is not ahead of production



# **Results:**

- O Vehicle is not ready for customer pick up
- Customer calling for vehicle status means low CSI
- Cash flow not keeping up with demand... using your credit line to pay payroll or bills
- Accounts receivable is higher than 10% of monthly revenues in 30 days
- Reduced gross profit
- Increased stress, reduced morale
- Increased cycle time

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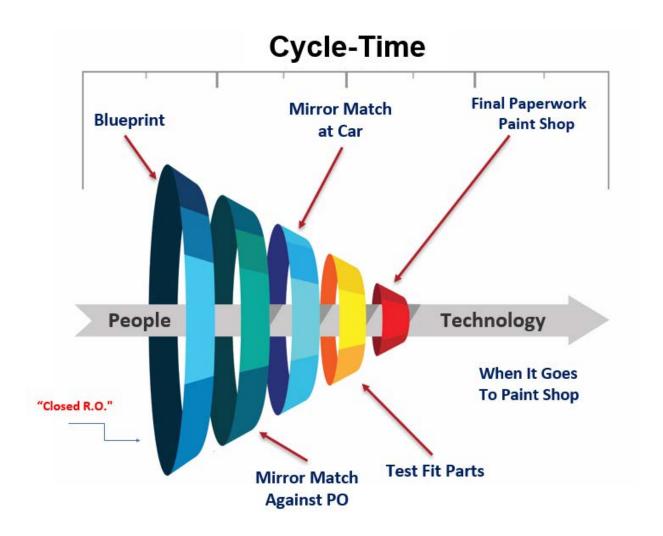
# **Proactive**

# **Blueprint**

The best place for the job, because every job is custom

### **Knowledge Funnel**

Create a formal document defining the pre-collision condition of the vehicle before we start the repair. This will include the viewpoint of each person involved (technician, parts, painter, production & writer, etc.) then signed and scanned into the R.O. as a permanent record.



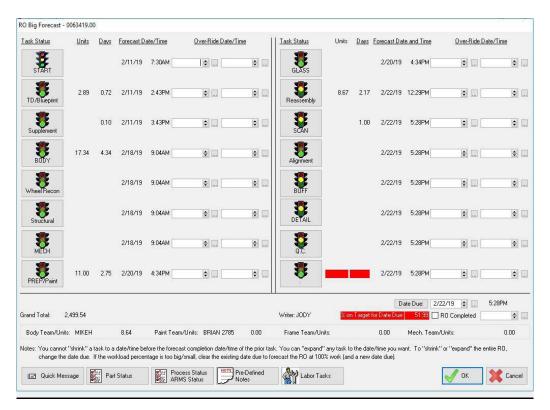
# **MEASURE TO MANAGE**

"Exceptional Managers Manage by Exception."

# The Forecast

### **INCLUDES:**

- Number of days in the shop
- Damage Profile Severity
- O Projected profitability by income category
- O Customer "love call" cycle
- O New load on shop resources by department, by technician, by writer
- O Defines action item priorities by department (decision-priority technology)
- O Cars to fix Parts to buy Customers to call
- O Production cycle where the car will be on any given day based on hours worked per man per day per car, including admin and sublet days, with consideration of holidays and weekends and the projected date due
- Cycle time of mission-critical parts
- Cycle time of all parts

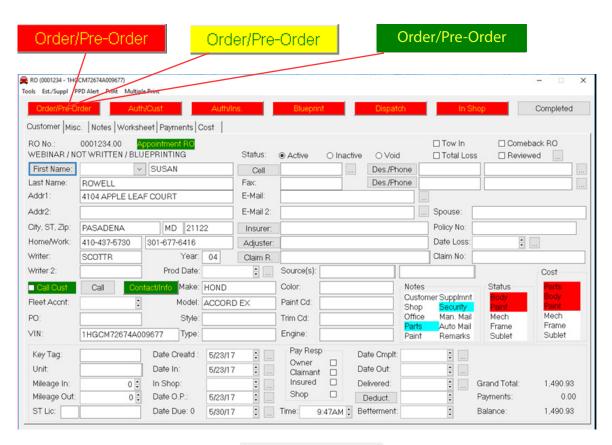


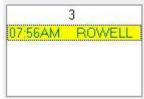


# ORDER/PRE-ORDER PARTS BUTTON

The Order/Pre-order button has three color conditions. First, the "Red" color means parts are not selected for order or pre-order. Yellow button color means parts are selected for order/pre-order where your parts department will now see this RO on their Parts Management List. Finally, "Green" color means the parts department has ordered all of the parts currently on the original import.

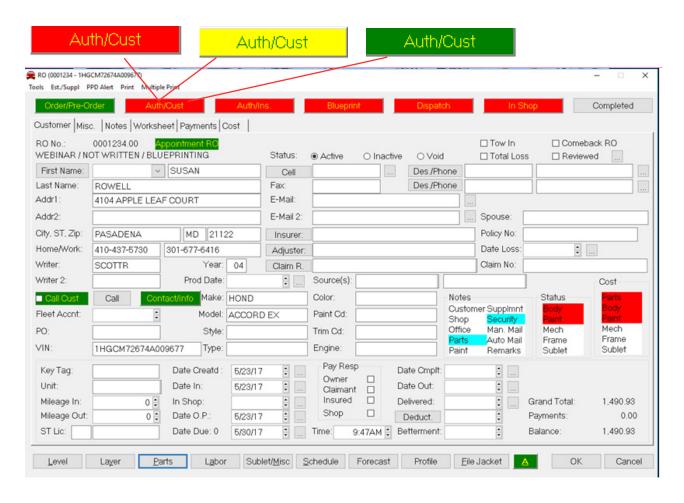
To change the color from "Red" to "Yellow", simply click on the button. By the Writer clicking on the "order/pre-order" parts button (changing it from Red to Yellow) they are authorizing the Parts Department to proceed with ordering parts. If the RO does not have any parts on it the parts department will not see the RO on their list until parts are added. Only make the designation yellow when you are ready for parts to be ordered. If you select ordering parts too early, the RO will stay on the Parts Management list until they are ordered and parts utilization score will decline.



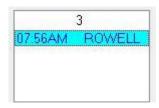


# **AUTH/CUST BUTTON**

By the CSR or Writer clicking on the "Auth/Cust" button, they are indicating that the vehicle has been dropped off and is on the property and Customer Authorization is in the process of being obtained. This RO will show on the calendar in Light Blue on the RO Date on the calendar. Once Customer Authorization is obtained, a second click on the "Auth/Cust" button will change the button color to "Green" and automatically change the "Auth/Ins." button to "Yellow".

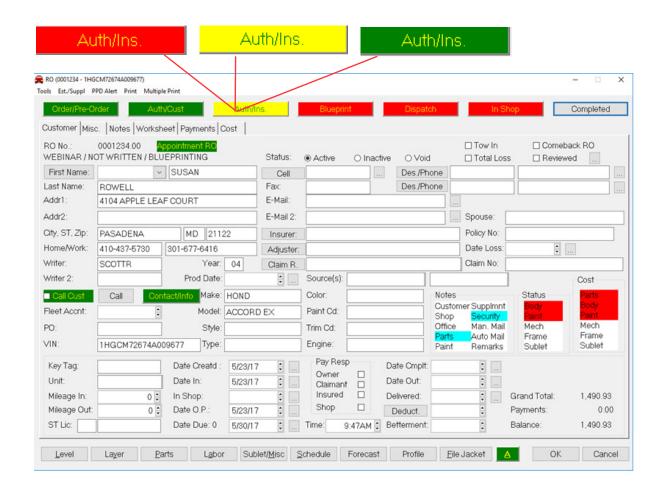


A scheduled in RO will be yellow on the calendar on the RO's Date In until the Auth/Cust button is clicked to yellow. Once the Auth/Cust is yellow the RO will appear on the calendar in light blue on the RO's Date In.

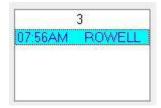


# **AUTH/INS. BUTTON**

By the CSR or Writer clicking on the "Auth/Ins." button, changing it to green, they are indicating that the Insurance Authorization is in the process of being obtained.



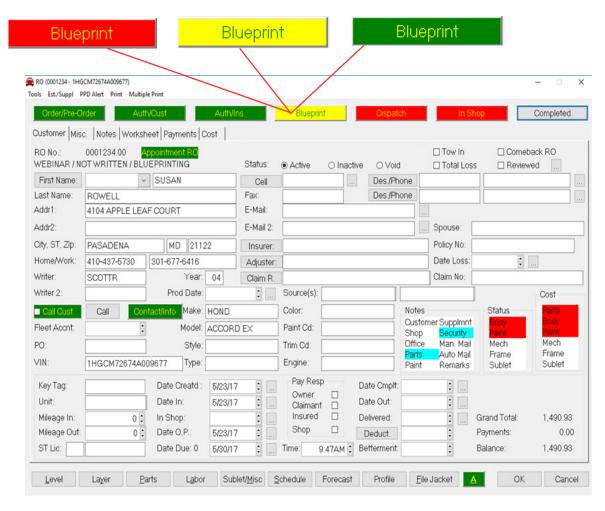
This RO will show on the calendar in Light Blue on the RO Date In. Once Insurance Authorization is obtained, a second click on the "Auth/Ins." button will change the button color to "green" and automatically change the "Blueprint" button to yellow.



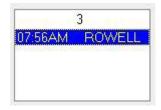


# **BLUEPRINT BUTTON**

The Blueprint button will automatically change to "yellow" when the "Auth/Ins." Button is changed to "green". The Blueprint button being "yellow" indicates the vehicle has been authorized and now needs to begin the blueprint process. The car should be torn down and blueprinted with 1-3 hours of vehicle possession.

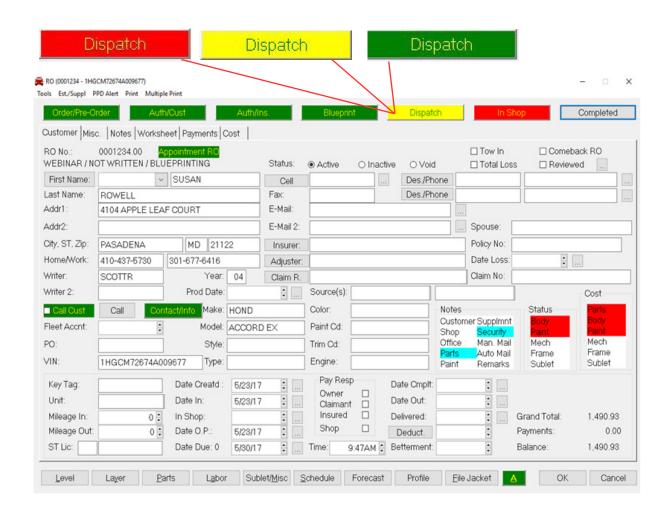


This RO will show on the calendar in royal blue on the RO date in. When the blueprint is completed click on the blueprint button to change to "green". This will automatically change the Dispatch to "yellow".

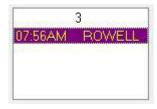


# DISPATCH BUTTON ON HOLD

When the Dispatch button is "yellow" this indicates that the Blueprint is completed and we are waiting/on-hold before moving to production. A technician should be assigned during the Blueprint process to be paid for teardown time. The RO is "On Hold" due to supplement approval, waiting on mission critical parts to be received (the parts required to get the vehicle through the body/ frame/mech production steps) and we have a technician bay in the shop for the job to be started, we can mark that the "Dispatch" or "On hold" completed.

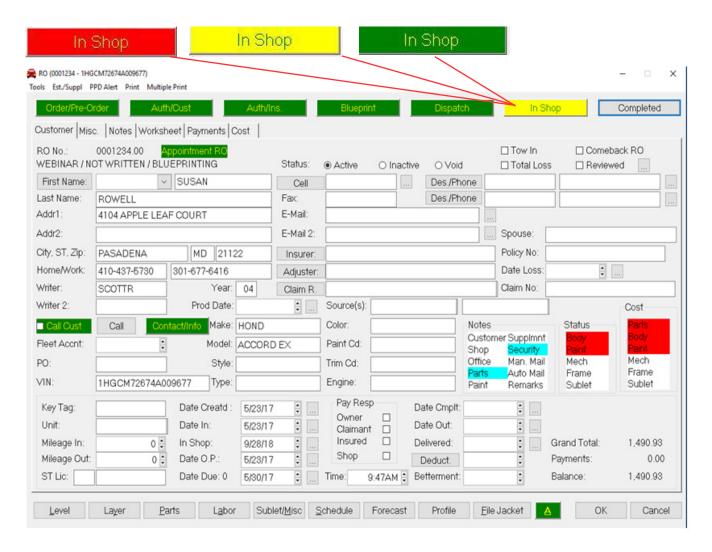


This RO will show on the calendar in Purple on the RO date in. When the RO is assigned to a technician we will click on the Dispatch button to change it to "green". The In Shop button will automatically change to "yellow" indicating the RO is in the "In Shop" status.



# IN SHOP BUTTON

When the Dispatch button is clicked from "yellow" to "green this will automatically change the In Shop button from "red" to "yellow". This indicates that the repairs have been started and the vehicle is now being managed through the big board production task to the date due.

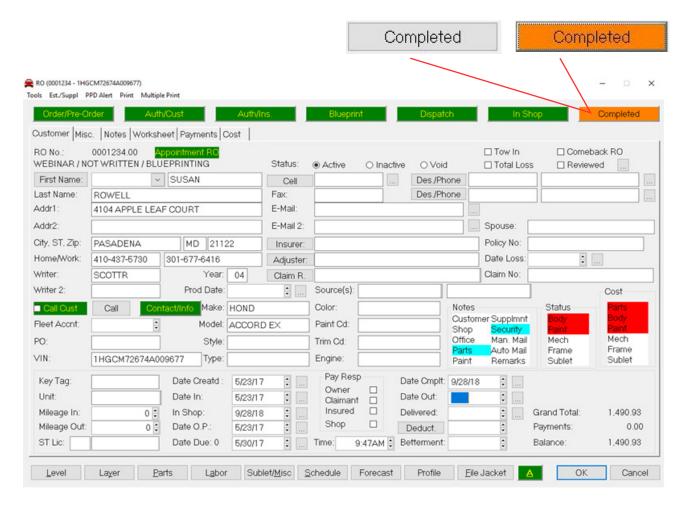


This RO will show on the calendar in "green" on the RO date due. It will stay on this date unless the date due is updated based on new forecasting/production delays.

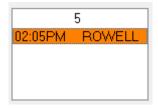


# **COMPLETED BUTTON**

When the RO is completed click on the In Shop to change it to "green". This will automatically put a Date Completed on the RO changing the Completed Button to "orange".

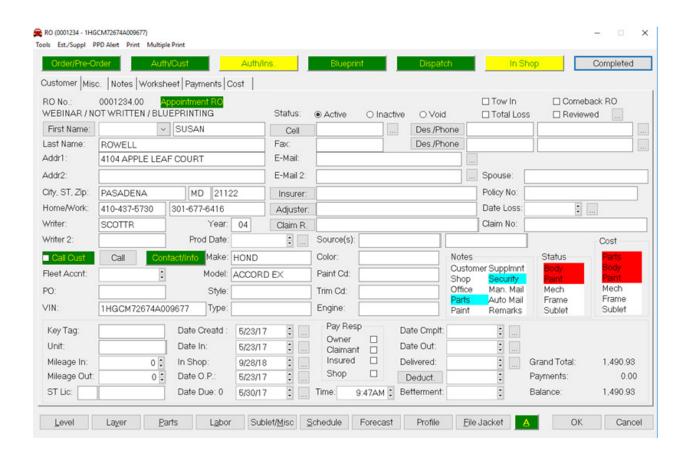


This RO will show on the calendar in "orange" on the RO date due.



# In Shop-Auth/Ins-Hold: In Shop/Hold

Vehicle is on hold for some damage condition and awaiting authorization from customers insurance company.

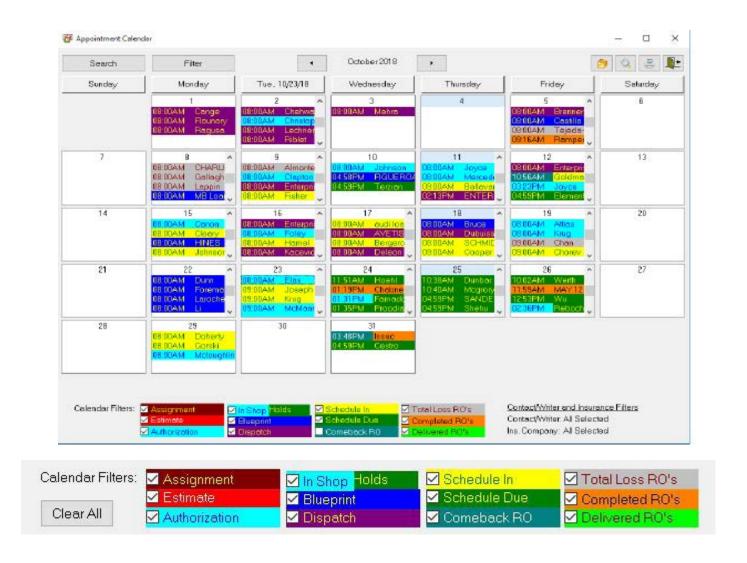




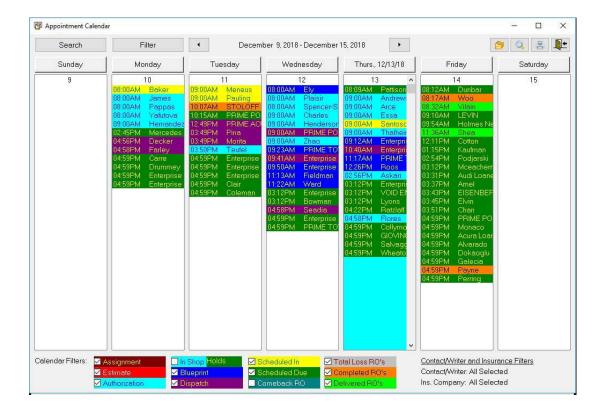
# **CALENDAR**

An accurate calendar is required to gain the full benefit of the Rome Management solution. The efficiency of all departments is dependent upon its accuracy. We use vehicle designation to allow each department to define and prioritize the decisions it makes which will impact the cycle time and customer service. Each designation has a predefined location on the calendar for easy decision- making. The following list outlines the vehicle designations, correct locations, the dates that define them and the responsible parties that maintain each designation. By looking at the calendar, management can see any inaccuracies and know who needs to correct them.

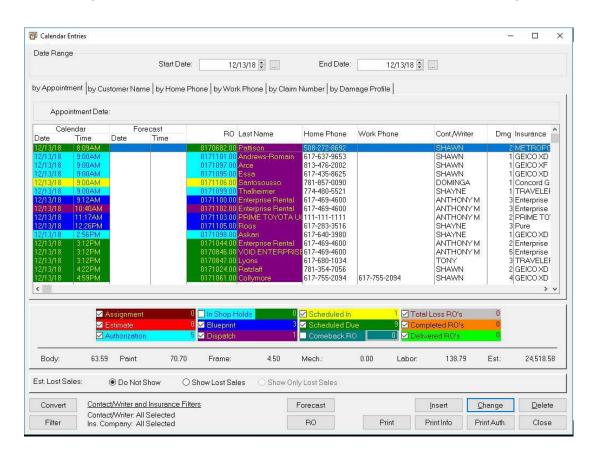
There are three levels of detail in the calendar; Month, Week and Day



### Calendar: Weekly View - Click the magnifying glass to see the week



### Calendar: Daily View - double click on the date in rome to see the daily view



### **Vehicle Designation Color Code**

- Assignments BURGUNDY
- Estimates (Appointments) RED
- Scheduled in (drivable preorder) YELLOW
- Staging
  - Waiting for authorization (Cust/Ins)- LIGHT BLUE
  - Waiting for blueprints DARK BLUE
  - Waiting for parts PURPLE
- Scheduled Due (In-shop) GREEN
- Completed ROs(Not delivered)- ORANGE
- Completed ROs(Delivered)- LIME GREEN
- Total loss ROs GREY
- Comeback ROs TEAL

### **Vehicle Location**

(Based on the vehicle designation)

- Assignments Must never be behind "today"
- Appointments Must never be behind "today"
- Scheduled in Must never be behind "today"
- Staging No more than one day behind "today"

### BASED ON DATE IN

- Scheduled due Must never be behind "today"
- Completed ROs No more than one day behind "today"

### BASED ON DATE DUE

Total loss - Any day including "today"

### BASED ON DATE IN

### **Person Responsible for Updating Calendar**

### **CUSTOMER SERVICE**

- Assignments
- Appointments
- Scheduled in (drivable Pre-Order)

### WRITER

Staging - Authorization

### WRITER/PRODUCTION

- Staging Blueprint
- Schedule Due (date due)
- Total Loss

### PRODUCTION/WRITER

Staging - Waiting for Parts

### TECH/QC

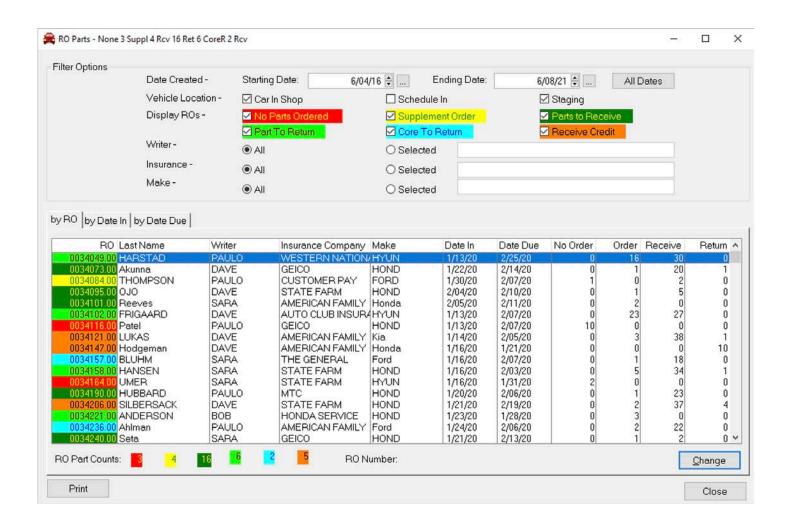
Completed ROs

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# **PARTS**

A great parts department makes a great body shop. Having the proper ratio of manpower to revenue ensures that the parts department does not cause a bottleneck in the collision center. Based on industry standards we recommend one parts person for every \$150 - \$200k in monthly shop revenue.

Parts personnel are responsible for ordering, receiving, returning, dispatching, blueprinting, and posting of the invoices in a timely manner (within 20 minutes of receipt). Proper manpower is essential to a successful collision center.



# Parts Tasks

### **Parts are Ready to Order**

Action Check order parts box in RO

**RESPONSIBILITY** Writer/ Estimator

**RESULT** Triggers the ordering process from the RO

### **Prioritize Parts Ordering**

Action 1. Go to Parts screen by clicking the Parts button

2. Check "No Parts Ordered" and "Some Parts Ordered"

3. Select Boxes in the following order:

1st Priority: "Car in Shop " by earliest "Date Due" 2nd priority: Cars in "Stagin" by earliest "Date in"

3rd Priority: Cars Not in Shop (drivable preorder) by earliest date in

**RESPONSIBILITY** Parts Person

**RESULT** Prioritizes ROs by order in which parts should be ordered

### **Order Parts in RO**

Action 1. Tag mission critical parts

2. Create purchase order and filter by part type

3. Check default cycle time for parts arrival date/time within PO

**RESPONSIBILITY** Parts Person

**RESULT** Parts ordered

### **Receive Parts in RO**

Action 1. Verify accuracy of parts to invoice/PO

2. Post/balance incoice to PO

3. Scan invoice into electronic file jacket

4. Print tech dispatch sheet

5. Deliver/verify parts accuracy with technician

**RESPONSIBILITY** Parts Person

**RESULT** Accurate parts are received, job costing for part is in RO, accounts payable updated, parts inventory established

### **Return Parts**

Action 1. Create credit memo

2. Signature from vendor on credit meme for return

3. Scan signed credit meme into electronic file jacket

**RESPONSIBILITY** Parts Person

**RESULT** Open credits established

### **Blueprinting**

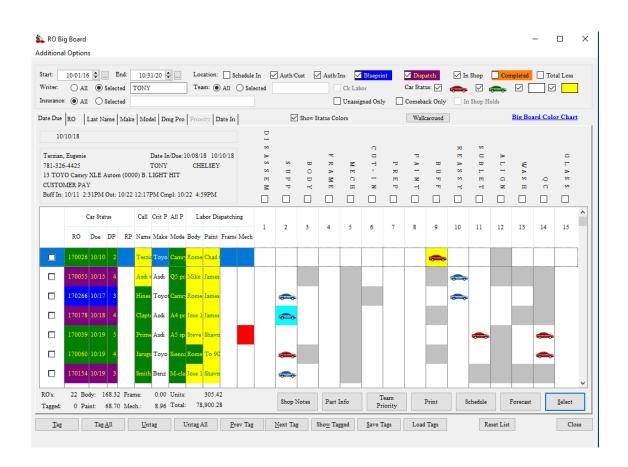
Action Review/comment-final estimate at the point of teardown

**RESPONSIBILITY** Parts Person

**RESULT** Accurate understanding of parts needed for repair

# PRODUCTION-BIG BOARD

The Big Board offers the most comprehensive view of the entire collision center. On a single screen you can see if customer service calls have been made, if mission-critical parts have been delivered, if all the parts have been delivered, what cars to dispatch, what needs to be done on each vehicle today, if the vehicle is on schedule, by department, by hours, by dollars, by insurance company, by technician, and by a writer.



The Big Board can be sorted by vehicle designation, allowing rapid, precise and efficient decision-making, for blueprinting, dispatching, and production management. All of the information is updated live so you can make decisions that have an immediate impact on your facility.

Updating the Big Board with a tablet during walk around is an invaluable tool. You can set the workflow for the entire shop for daily production and automatically update technician stations. The technician station provides an up-to-the-minute task list for each tech. As the vehicle moves through production the big board will generate alerts via email or texting to the proper management personnel of any delays on the shop floor so prompt action can be taken to get things back on track.

# Production Decision-making

# **Initiate Blueprinting**

COMPLETED BY WITHIN 1 - 3 hours from time of vehicle possession

- Action 1. Check "Blueprint" box
  - 2. Write estimate at the car
  - 3. All involved parties review estimate at the car
  - 4. Update staging box:waiting for parts in repair order

**RESPONSIBILITY** Production or Writer

**RESULT** Ful vision of the pre-collision condition of the vehicle

# **Initiate Dispatching**

- Action 1. Check "waiting for parts" box
  - 2. Check mission critical parts column for availability
  - 3. Run technician load level report/select technician/assign labor
  - 4. Update in shop checkbox in repair order
  - 5. Print shop repair order/copy of estimate/give to technician
  - 6. verify accurate data due

**RESPONSIBILITY** Production/Writer

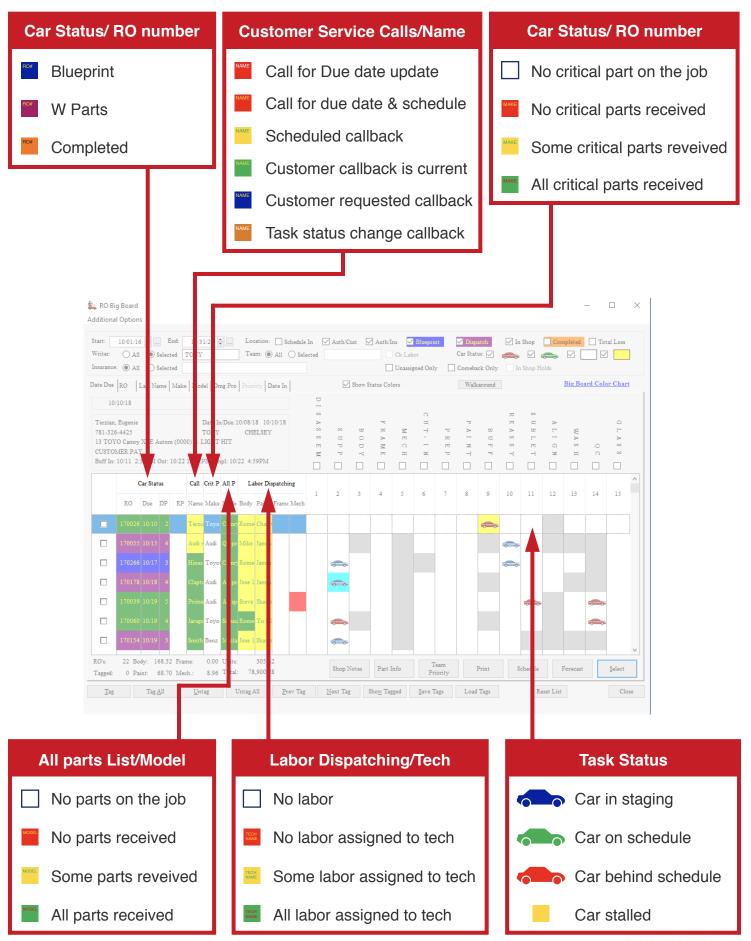
**RESULT** Vehicle is in production

### **Initiate Walk Around**

- Action 1. Define production tasks per vehicle per technician on the Big Board screen
  - 2. Verify vehicle inventory
  - 3. Make sure all cars are on schedule (Green)
  - 4. Verify accurate vehicle designation
  - 5. Verify accurate Date Due

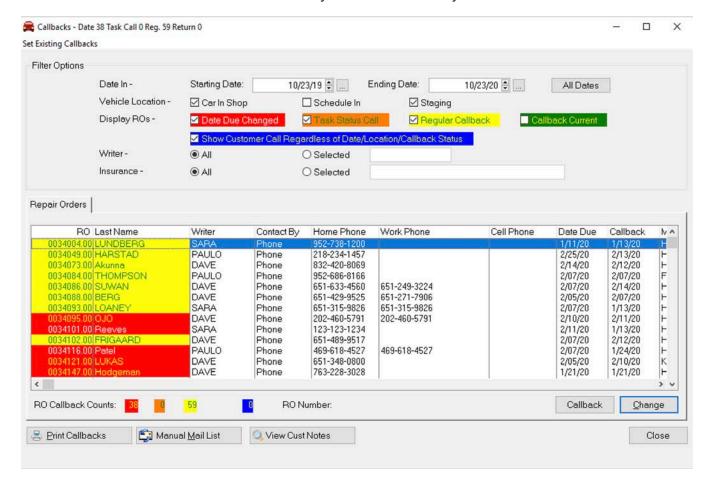
**RESPONSIBILITY** Production/Writer

**RESULT** Stage is set for daily tasks to be completed by technicians



# **CUSTOMER SERVICE**

Customer service is essential in developing new and ongoing relationships. By taking advantage of the emailing, texting, dynamic call logs and integration with the ARMs system, you have many ways to maintain contact and consideration with your partners and customers. These contacts should be made in a timely manner on a daily basis.



### Calls: Order of Importance

Type: Inquiry calls Color: Blue

Made when: Several times per day
Responsibility: Writer or Estimator
Result: Customer inquiry is answered in a

timely manner

Type: Date change calls

Color: Red

Made when: Before lunch

**Responsibility:** Writer or Estimator **Result:** Customer is informed of new

delivery date and why

Type: Vehicle Status

Color: N/A

Made when: Automatically generates

when customer, insurance, rental car screens are updated **Responsibility:** Generated by technician station via email and/or

texting

Result: Customer is kept informed

throughout the repair

process with up to the minute status

changes diminishing

the number of inquiry calls received

on a daily basis

Type: Daily callbacks

Color: Yellow

Made When: Before lunch Responsibility: Customer

Service

Result: Customer is informed

vehicle is on schedule



# Calls

TYPE Daily callbacks

**COLOR Yellow** 

MADE WHEN Before lunch

**RESPONSIBILITY** Customer Service

**RESULT** Customer is informed vehicle is on schedule

**TYPE** Date change calls

COLOR Red

MADE WHEN Before lunch

**RESPONSIBILITY** Writer or Estimator

**RESULT** Customer is informed of new delivery date and why

**TYPE** Inquiry calls

**COLOR Blue** 

MADE WHEN Several times per day

**RESPONSIBILITY** Writer or Estimator

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up to the minute status changes diminishing the numer of in-

quiry calls received on a daily basis

# **WORKFLOW**

# **Assignments**

### **ACTION**

- EMS assignments into calendar
- · call potential customer for estimate appointment

**RESPONSIBILITY** 

**Customer Service** 

# **Appointments** (estimate appointment)

### **ACTION**

- Write estimate at car with customer
- · Close deal, get keys or set appointment for drop off

**RESPONSIBILITY** 

Writer

# Follow up calls

### **ACTION**

- Assignments that are not set for appointment
- · Appointments that were not closed
- · Four attempts before selecting lost sale

**RESPONSIBILITY** 

**Customer Service** 

# Staging - Easy Check In

### **ACTION**

- Update customer information
- · Get authorization from customer

RESPONSIBILITY

Customer service

### **ACTION**

- · Verify prior damage/ customer signature
- Take photos of damage and prior damage, current mileage and fuel, warning lights ect

**RESPONSIBILITY** 

Writer

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# **Staging**

### **ACTION**

- Tag Keys, make sure "Parts", "Authorization" and "Blueprint" are checked
- Print and place ticket in windshield
- Scan all documents in the file jacket

**RESPONSIBILITY** Writer or Customer Service

### **ACTION**

- Dispatch vehicle for blueprint
- Technician notifies estimator disassembling is complete

**RESPONSIBILITY** Writer or production

### **ACTION**

- Convert final estimate into Rome
- Confirm accurate date due
- Call customer with delivery date

**RESPONSIBILITY** Writer

**RESPONSIBILITY** 

**ACTION** Monitor master parts ordering screen for odering and receiving

**RESPONSIBILITY** Parts personnel

# **Production**

QC vehicle

ACTION	ACTION	Call Customer for pick up	
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Check "In Shop" to dispatch cehicle for repair RESPONSIBILITY Writer or Customer Service

**Delivery** 

Assign labor to technician

Parts personnel

**RESPONSIBILITY** Writer or Production **ACTION** Verify final paperwork

RESPONSIBILITY Writer

**ACTION** Dispatch parts to technician

**ACTION** 

**ACTION** Update technician station as work is completed Postdate out on repair order

**RESPONSIBILITY** Technician Post delivery date on repair

Scan in payment

**ACTION** 

Monitor vehicle for production problems

**ACTION** Daily walk around Post completed date

**RESPONSIBILITY** Production or Writer **RESPONSIBILITY** Writer or Production

Cashier ticker

**RESPONSIBILITY** Customer Service



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