

SHORT LINE DATA SYSTEMS INC.

SMALL RAILROAD DATA AND EVENT REPORTING SOLUTIONS



FACT SHEET

WHAT IS ROCSMOBILE?

ROCS*Mobile* is a new version of the Rail Operations and Customer Service (ROCS) system that is designed specifically for use by train crews.

WHY A VERSION FOR TRAIN CREWS?

When ROCS was first introduced over five years ago, it changed how EDI systems looked at your traffic. Instead of looking at cars and tracks, users are now looking at a customer's entire traffic picture. As technology and reporting requirements have changed, the time has come for a version of ROCS that makes your crew's work easier and more accurate.

WHAT ARE THE MAJOR DIFFERENCES BETWEEN ROCS AND ROCSMOBILE?

In ROCS*Mobile*, features of the original ROCS system that your crews don't need (or shouldn't have) access to, such as settlement or car hire are blocked from access. Screens have been redesigned with the train crew in mind, with improved readability, ergonomics, and functionality.

DO I NEED ANYTHING SPECIAL TO RUN ROCSMOBILE?

Like the original ROCS system, ROCS*Mobile* is designed to run on any PC that has Microsoft Access installed on it. However, the new screens in ROCS*Mobile* are designed to make the most use of a Tablet PC.

WHAT IS A TABLET PC?

A Tablet PC looks like a laptop screen without the keyboard. The user uses a pen to input data, either through taps on the screen or handwriting input. A number of companies make Tablet PCs, including HP/Compaq, Acer, and Gateway. Many are tough enough to be used in the field by themselves, and many manufacturers make field cases for their units.

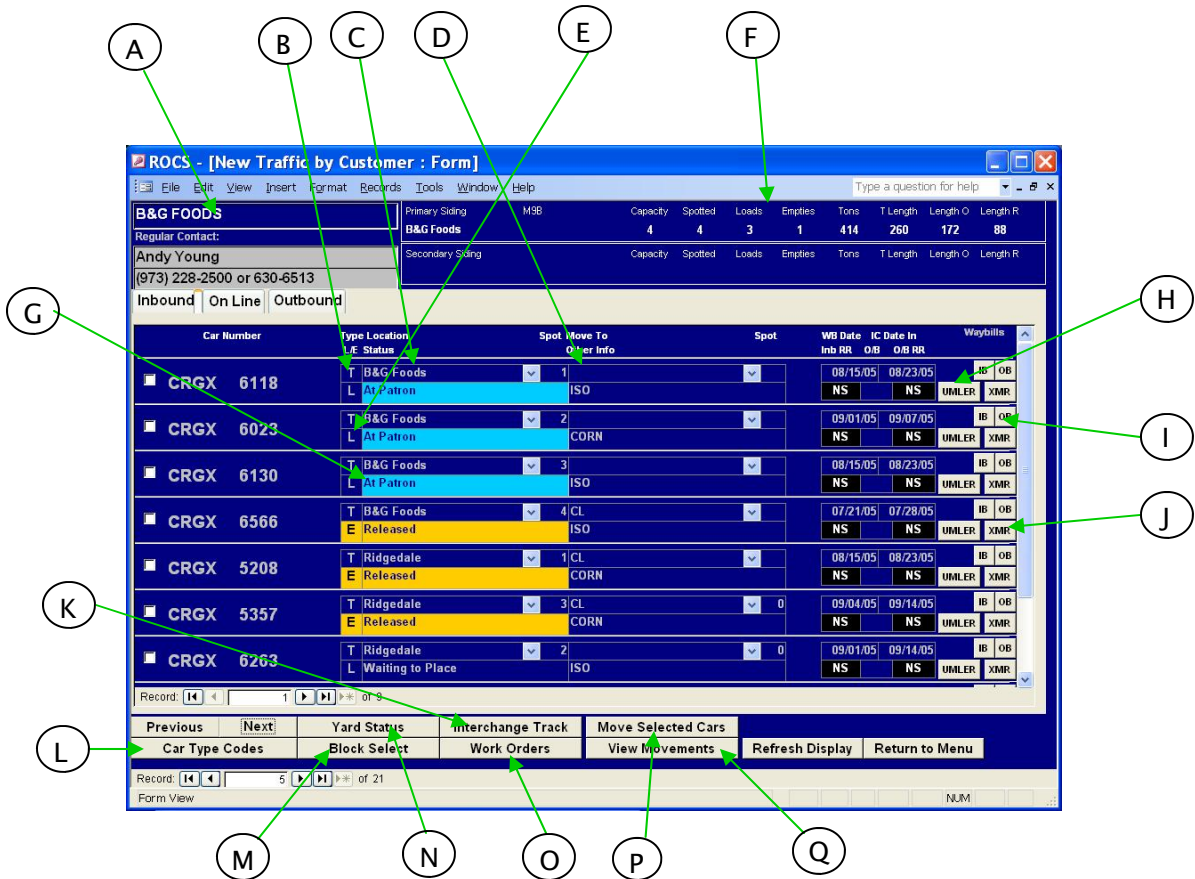
DOES THE CREW'S COMPUTER NEED TO BE CONNECTED TO THE INTERNET TO USE ROCSMOBILE?

No. ROCS*Mobile* will store outbound messages for transmission later if an internet connection is not available. If you have wireless internet service (such as a WWAN card or a hot spot), then events can be transmitted in real time.

WHAT OTHER POSSIBILITIES DOES HAVING A COMPUTER ON BOARD A TRAIN CREATE?

The sheer power of real time event reporting aside, the possibilities for a train crew having a computer are truly endless. Electronic documents, rule books, safety guides, and train movement orders are just beginning to break the surface of the tools possible.

WITH ROCSMOBILE, THE POWER OF INFORMATION IS NOW AT YOUR TRAIN CREW'S FINGERTIPS.



A - Customer and contact information
 B - Car Type Code
 C - Car Location information
 D - Move To information
 E - Load/Empty Status, and inbound and outbound railroads
 F - TrackCaps show the cars, tons, L/E counts, and feet remaining on a customer's primary and secondary sidings
 G - Status of a car. Quickly shows the last action or shipment status of a car.
 H - UMLER information is downloaded automatically, and available for each car.
 I - Inbound and outbound waybills can be viewed with a single click or tap of the pen.

J - Expanded Movement Record allows a user to add movements outside of the standard moves.
 K - Interchange tracks can be viewed here
 L - Don't know what the car type letter means? Click or tap here for a pop up chart.
 M - Moving block of cars at once is easy with the Block Select screen, available here.
 N - Drawings and track lists of your yards are available here
 O - Work orders are here to be marked for completion.
 P - You can make moves on selected cars by clicking here.
 Q - Need to see all of the moves on a specific car? Click here.



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