

PP Engineering Change Management Guide

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Introduction

Overview

This section provides an overview of the options you have for changing objects (such as bills of material and routings) in the SAP R/3 System. It contains general information on changes with history, which are carried out using the Engineering Change Management System.

Changes in the SAP R/3 System

Changes With History

Using the Engineering Change Management Menu

Authorizations

Changes in the SAP R/3 System

For technical and commercial reasons, it is necessary to change industrial products from time to time.

Technical reasons for changes include, for example, technical faults which have to be put right and the introduction of new environmental or safety regulations. For commercial reasons, it may be necessary to start using cheaper materials or to change a product to suit customer requirements.

Changes with and without history can be made in the SAP R/3 System.

Changes Without History

Changes which occur during the development phase of a product and which are not to be documented. The state of the object (for example, bill of material or routing) before the change is **not** saved.

Changes With History

Changes which may affect further activities within the organization and which are to be documented (for example, change to bill of material -> change to routing -> change to inspection plan). The state of the object (for example, bill of material or routing) before the change is saved.

Engineering Change Management in the SAP R/3 System offers you a comprehensive solution for documenting changes.

Note

This guide describes how to make changes with history using the R/3 Engineering Change Management System.

For information on how to make changes without history to objects (such as bills of material or routings), please refer to the appropriate application guide.

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