



THE ENTERPRISE SOLUTION FOR SECONDARY DISTRIBUTION PLANNING



# **Introducing FLO**

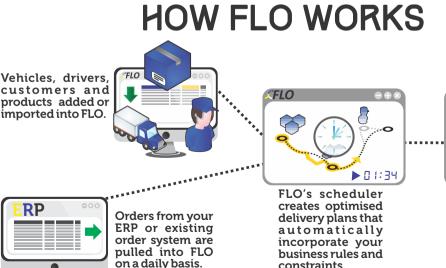
### Take control of secondary distribution with better planning, better management, better optimisation

FLO is the complete enterprise software solution for creating and managing route schedules to optimise fleet utilisation, capacity utilisation and kilometers driven.

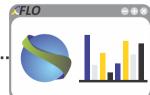
FLO is a dynamic routing and scheduling desktop application for managing your fleet, products and deliveries. FLO creates delivery schedules optimised to carry more over shorter distances in less time.

Whether you plan on a day-to-day basis or want master route schedules for a week or a month, FLO allows you to create and edit your schedule, then easily amend it with changes to your fleet and existing deliveries.

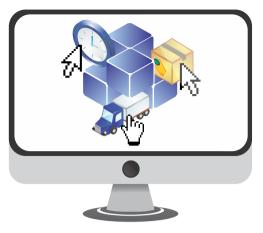
FLO is highly configurable and is actively used in a large range of delivery operations by many leading companies.



constraints.



Generate delivery documentation and get insight into the efficiency of your schedules with ready-made and customised reports.



# **Resource Organisation**

### Import, organise, maintain and update

FLO captures and organises your truck, trailer, driver, depot and customer information.



#### **Clear Categories**

FLO provides a grid-based view for adding and editing customers, depots, vehicles, drivers and products, OPSI's Import Tool simplifies importing existing records into FLO.

Categories are clearly organised, helping you keep track of your assets and business rules to generate efficient, cost-effective schedules to your exacting requirements.



#### **Resource control and visibility**

FLO has an extensive range of schedule tuning options. Whether you want to arrange trips so that the customer furthest from the depot is delivered to first, balance the workload across your available vehicles, or enforce a maximum number of stops per vehicle, FLO allows for these and many more constraints.

FLO keeps track of dynamic constraints as well: which drivers are booked on which vehicles across multiple schedules; shifts; sleep-outs; booked resources for maintenance and more.



#### **ERP Integration**

FLO integrates easily with existing popular ERP solutions, ensuring an unbroken link between order generation, invoicing, scheduling and delivery completion.





# **Scheduling with FLO**

## Your smart, fast and automated planning assistant

FLO generates cost-effective, efficient delivery schedules while allowing for manual tweaking down to the smallest detail with its advanced routing and scheduling algorithms and transport management, planning and execution tools.



#### **Build better delivery plans**

FLO eliminates double-bookings, product contamination and potential vehicle-site incompatibilities through a system of **vehicle**, **product and site exclusions** applied to every schedule generated, while **area boundaries** prevent your drivers straying into nogo areas.

FLO's **dynamic tractor-trailer allocation** feature ensures that FLO automatically creates the best semi-trailer vehicle combinations and **dynamically adjusts for the maximum weight limits** for these combinations.

#### **Extensive editing and comparison tools**

FLO lets users edit schedules using a simple drag-and-drop control scheme, with numerous checks and balances, and will automatically update the schedule's details after each change. **Users can lock trips or routes that they like** and then rerun the scheduler for the remaining routes, then compare the impact of changes between schedule iterations in terms of load capacity, cost and lateness.

#### **Up-to-date maps**

With the use of online maps, FLO's route viewer displays route and geographic information that is always up-to-date. Users can switch between different views - such as a **vector-based map** and more **detailed satellite imagery** for identification of landmarks and other elements - while reviewing their vehicles' delivery plans.

# **Optimising for...**

Required wait times Intra-stop sequence Delivery windows Vehicle exclusions

Loading Times

Dynamic truck/trailer allocation

Automatic payload adjustment Enforces maximum weight limits

Vehicle classes & assignment Sleepout groups Overtime groups Unique groups per day Driver costs PDP Licence expiry Depot assignment Delivery group assignment Sleepout costs Road speed profiles Geographic barriers Customisable road speeds

> Cost per day Cost per km Cost per hour Duty times Stop limit Vehicle details



Delivery windows Delivery groups Line items Product class exclusions Load priority Stacking height

## **The FLO User Experience**

FLO reduces the time to generate compliant, feasible optimised route plans for your entire fleet to between 15 and 45 minutes.

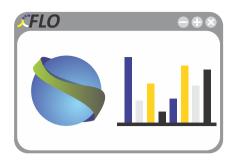


Edit schedules using a simple drag-'n-drop interface and immediately see the impact on ETAs and other delivery metrics.



FLO automatically ensures planners do not make scheduling errors, but allows for manual intervention in exceptional situations.





# **FLO Reports**

### Reporting for management of key performance targets

FLO comes with many built-in reports and documentation templates for generating standard transportation documentation such as loading sheets and trip sheets, and provides for customised reports via SQL Server Reporting Services (SSRS).

#### **Improve future profitability**

Critical review of previous schedules and historical data is vital in improving your logistic operations, identifying trends and ensuring that Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) are met. The active nature of the secondary distribution environment and flexibility to adjust to meet short-term demands can make accurate and timely reporting a challenge.

FLO's reporting tools offer both standard and customisable reports that draw on the rich historical data that FLO saves over time, letting users retroactively assess their schedules, driver activity and performance against historical trends.

#### **Optimise your business process**

FLO highlights the time and efficiency of specific activities within the secondary distribution environment that affect your ability to deliver more. Whether it is offload times at customers, how often you visited customers in proportion to the amount of goods delivered or highlighting incomplete deliveries, FLO can help logistics service providers rate and improve capabilities.

You can generate a series of cost reports on your secondary distribution. If you want to isolate the delivery costs for a specific customer, report on the total delivery costs across a certain period or obtain costs per regions, FLO can generate the applicable reports.

#### **Customised reports**

FLO offers access to report analysts and writers so they can create their own detailed and customised reports. OPSI can create specialised reports for unique requirements and situations, such as picking slips, loading instructions, dangerous goods declarations and more.





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