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Case study - Vägverket

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About Vägverket, The Swedish Road Administration:



The Swedish Road Administration (Vägverket) is the national authority assigned the overall responsibility for the entire road transport system. The task is to cooperate with others to develop an efficient road transport system in the direction stipulated by the Swedish Government and Parliament. Please find more details about Vägverket on www.vv.se

The print department:



Aurora Fjellner, Bengt Ingel Lundb, Tomas Elvbage, Eva-A Andersson and Olov Johansson in front of the 1000 System

The 4 people strong print department manages all digital printed volume produced for Vägverket. There is also a closely integrated postal and distribution department that manages all the distribution needs of the print department.

The application/applications:

Vägverket Print Department produces color as well as monochrome publications.

Examples of publications are codes of statutes (notifications of new and/or changed of rules/regulation), these code of statutes could be anything that has to do with the road system. i.e. if speed limit is changed on a road this needs to be registered and communicated to the appropriate authorities and other groups of interest (libraries, road carrying companies etc). There is also a wide variety of information brochures, training material, handbooks etc that they produce. Some parts of the production is pre-budgeted and planned for and some are ordered jobs.

Total print volume is 1.200.000 color impressions and 7.200.000 monochrome impressions. A substantial part of this volume is finished into booklets.

Document size varies and could be anything from finished small A6 (105x148mm) booklets to A4 (210x297mm) booklets or folds including custom sizes. Media types used ranging from 80gsm to 160gsm and up to 300gsm for covers.

Booklet sizes normally vary from 3-15 sheets but could sometimes be thicker and with the squarefold feature applied have the look and feel like perfect bound books.

The equipment:

The print room has 2 x Xerox DocuColor 5000 (color) and 2 x Xerox 4110 (b/w) digital printers.

The Plockmatic 1000 System effortlessly handles all the booklet making needs.

The Plockmatic 1000 System is fully configured with VF1008 vacuum feeder/collator, BM2000 Booklet Maker, FTR2000 Trimmer and SQF2000 Squarefold. They also have a wide range of other various finishing



Tomas Elvbage and Olov Jobansson in front of the 1000 System

machines to cover other types of finishing needs. Next room in the postal and distribution department a Plockmatic 4000 Mail Insertion system is used.



Tomas Elvbage and Olov Jobansson in front of the 4000 System

Benefits of the Plockmatic 1000 Booklet making System:

Olov Johansson who manages the print department says:

"The versatility the system provides that easily combines black and white prints with color. The air separation fans in the VF1008 seems to do a lot for the feeding capability, we comfortably feed all the digitally produced prints from various stocks with no problem. The intuitive and ease of set up really plays a big part in the systems overall productivity. The adjustment features allows us to effortlessly set up the machine for optimal booklet quality.

The PL 1000 systems is a perfect fit for us. It matches our needs perfectly in regards to print volume and capabilities with a relatively small foot print and at a competitive price point.

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The 4000 system then fullfill our needs in the mail room."

Note:

Interview and site visit was done on April 23th by Ulf Forsberg and Dag Nedeby from Plockmatic International AB, present was also Tomas Elvbage Account Manager representing Kontur Document Systems AB (Swedish Plockmatic distributor), Olov Jobansson and Eva Andersson from print department management at Vägverket

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