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TAKEAWAYS
How to find the right WMS for your business.

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Know your processes.

Establish you needs and basic requirements for a WMS system by vigorously going through all your processes, map them and critically ask yourself why you do as you do.

This is the baseline for your requirements.

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Plan for the future.

What do you want or need to be able to do tomorrow that you cannot do today in your current system or setup?

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Your level of complexity.

What are your requirements for flexibility and what are the complexity in you processes?
And what is the potential degree of automation today or tomorrow?
The answers to these questions will determine your choice of solution.

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Make a checklist

Determine you priorities by identifying the most important functionality in your new WMS.

Do you want to:

- Improve inventory tracking and accuracy by eliminating cycle counting and introducing perpetual counts?

- Optimize allocation of labor, space, and equipment to reduce operating expenses and boost productivity?

- Enhance visibility over inventory movement and achieving two-way traceability capabilities?

- Improve the customer experience by providing accurate information and delivering the right goods on time?

What type of functionality do you require for your business?

Identify your needs vs wants.

- [ ] Ecommerce integrations
- [ ] Shipping integrations
- [ ] Open API
- [ ] Multichannel inventory
- [ ] Real-time inventory
- [ ] Advanced put-away
- [ ] Advanced picking
- [ ] Cycle count
- [ ] Cross docking
- [ ] Order routing
- [ ] Multi-warehouse management
- [ ] 3PL capabilities
- [ ] Other functionality...

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Talk to suppliers.

Now it is time to start talking with suppliers for the appropriate solution that could fulfil your requirements and that deliver a system you can grow your business with.

BALANCED LOGISTICS.

Costs. Growth. Service. Sustainability. Flexibility.