

Data collectors

VRP supports 2 types of hand held data collectors:



Symbol PDT-3100

This unit is very simple to use, DOS based, prompts for scanning of an item with an option to toggle the mode of scanning one item at a time or scan an item and add the quantity.

Advantages:

Rugged, can stand a free fall of 3+ feet
Long battery life time

Disadvantage

Does not have a validation database.
The program comes "As is" and cannot be changed.
Uses only a serial port.



Symbol PPT-8800 Pocket PC

This unit is based on the latest Microsoft Windows.net technology. In addition to VRP it can be used for all other windows applications like calendar, spreadsheets, notepad etc. The VRP program supports advanced features using touch screen technology.

Advantages:

Had a built in SQL database for validation while scanning.
Windows pocket PC users feel "at home" with pull down menus, control panel etc. with its easy to use GUI (Graphic User Interface).
Customizable.

Disadvantage

Fragile
Shorter battery life time.
Valuable for people outside of the retail work scope (worth stealing)