

## Lean Masters Consulting Group, Inc.



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## Lean Manufacturing can improve the bottom line.

Do you have traditional assembly lines?

Do you manufacture in large batches?

Do you have large amounts of inventory?

- Raw Materials
- Work in Progress
- Purchased Parts
- Finished Goods

Do your supervisors spend most of their time expediting parts or orders?

Do you have large amounts of parts stacked at lineside?

Has your MRP left you in a lurch?

Are you a CEO or CFO without a manufacturing background?

Is your order to delivery time weeks or months?

Do you manufacture to a forecast?

Are your customers doing lean manufacturing?



Lean Masters Consulting Group, Inc.

is an international consulting company who specializes in working with companies to enable them to successfully implement lean manufacturing. This group of experts has extensive manufacturing process knowledge with hands on experience working with the Toyota Production System.



Lean consultants have trained in Japan under the masters of the Toyota Production System and have hands on experience



implementing lean manufacturing in union and non-union plants throughout the world.

Lean Masters
Consulting Group, Inc.
can help you custom design a new
plant layout to support higher
production volumes utilizing

lean manufacturing methods and techniques. This will allow you to meet the new higher customer demand, lower operating cost and shorten lead times at the same time.



Our implementation method is focused on developing a lean production system. Several keys are:

- Training the leadership, particularly the middle managers and foremen of their roles and responsibilities. The training would be both classroom and participation in the implementation process. These leaders need to learn the system well enough to continue to train new people in the lean principles and techniques.
- Implementing Standard Work in each area
  - Train the work team leaders to re-do the standard work when production volumes change
- The team leaders are key to sustaining the gains by implementing lean. They must be thoroughly trained in lean principles and techniques like:
  - Standard Work
  - Visual Management
- Problem Solving
  - Root Cause Analysis
- LEAN TOGETHER Identifying and implementing permanent counter measures.
- The most important element in sustaining implementation progress is that full implementation of lean manufacturing changes the job of every worker and every manager in the company. Training all the people in the company in their new roles and responsibilities is a key in sustaining the improvements.

Greetings from the President,

The key to rapid implementation of lean manufacturing is to accelerate the learning curve by engaging a lean manufacturing expert to assist you.

The principles of lean manufacturing are relatively simple to understand. The difficulty is in implementing these simple principles and manufacturing the product at the same time. A good analogy would be changing a tire on a car. You can read the owner's manual and successfully change tire. Converting a mass production operation to lean manufacturing is like changing a tire while the car is still on the track running 150 miles an hour and the competitors are trying to knock you out of the race.

In converting to lean manufacturing, it's not only important to do the right thing, but to do it the right time and in the proper proportion. A mistake in a car race can result in a crash into the wall. A mistake con-



Jim Thomas, President Lean Masters Consulting Group, Inc.

verting your operation to lean can be just as devastating to you and your business. It is very important to have the knowledge of a lean expert to help you make a smooth transition to lean manufacturing. Beware of those who speaks the language or speak the buzzwords, but have not walked in your shoes in a lean transition and know the pitfalls as well as the benefits. Lean Masters has assembled a team of lean experts that have been there and done it successfully. People with these skills are truly rare today.

The most costly thing that you can do in manufacturing is to continue to use mass production, departmentalized batch and queue methods. If you get a two-year jump on your competition converting to lean manufacturing and stay the course, it will be virtually impossible for them to catch up.

Sincerely

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If you are interested in implementing Lean Manufacturing at your business, please choose one of the following:

- Call toll free 877-748-0300
- Email to lthomas@leanmasters.com
- · Fill out the form and return by mail

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telephone number	
email/website address	
	telephone number