

# 5S Workplace Optimization



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# Driving Workplace Efficiency and Operational Performance

Operational excellence begins with the state of the workplace. It sets the foundation for efficient work methods, standard practices and performance expectations.

A cluttered and non-intuitive workplace means employees are constantly searching for items needed to complete daily tasks, while unneeded or rarely used items are scattered throughout their workstation. Even simple inefficiencies can snowball into bigger problems, causing longer lead times, higher operating costs, late deliveries, space constraints and hidden safety hazards.

**In today's highly competitive environment, businesses must become smarter and more efficient to provide customers with goods and services that consistently meet their high standards at affordable and competitive prices.**

Logile's 5S Workplace Optimization service removes these barriers that prevent your organization from reaching its maximum productivity and efficiency levels and creates a streamlined, organized working environment. With a focus on effective workplace organization and standardized work procedures, Logile can help you build a culture of continuous improvement.

## Here's how it works



### Sort

Unnecessary tools, equipment, supplies and other items are removed from the workplace.



### Shine

The work area is restored to like-new condition.



### Set Locations

The work area is set up for efficient workflow, and items are assigned home location to promote ease of use.



### Standardize

A daily routine is established to incorporate the first three steps into the normal working culture.



### Sustain

Frequent training and auditing promote a culture of continuous improvement and celebrating success.

# Benefits Delivered

## **Smoother workflow**

Workplace organization reduces or eliminates delays, footsteps and fingerprints throughout the production process. Saving steps saves time. Saving fingerprint touches on products also saves time but often saves bends which, over time, has an impact on workers' compensation incidents.

## **Increased efficiency and productivity**

A smoother and consistent workflow not only enables improved execution of best methods but also a shorter learning period for new employees to become fully productive. With non-value-added steps removed from the process, employees have more time to focus on productive tasks that affect your bottom line.

## **Minimization of waste and errors**

When every item has a consistent and intuitive location, items are less likely to be lost or misplaced by employees. This leads to less equipment and production waste. In addition, the right tool is always accessible for work tasks, minimizing the need for rework.

## **Lower inventory costs**

The benefits of visual workplace organization are very evident when examining inventory levels. It is easy for inventory to become lost or damaged in a cluttered environment. Improving the visibility of inventory and reducing storage areas to reinforce appropriate holding limits decreases overhead costs.



## **Improved workplace safety**

A clean and well-organized workplace frees up space for employees to maneuver and work in ergonomic conditions, reducing unnecessary movements and potential injuries. Workplace standardization and sustainment also allows managers and employees to easily identify anomalies and unsafe working conditions. This reduces liability for the organization.

## **Customer and employee satisfaction**

It is no secret that an efficient workspace is vastly preferable to a dirty and messy one. No one enjoys having to search for important tools or materials when they could be easily accessible. Equally important is the buy-in and increased morale employees exhibit from being part of the transformation and continuous improvement. A well-implemented 5S program will directly translate to better employee satisfaction, ownership of continuous improvement and less turnover.

Satisfied and empowered employees are more likely to provide outstanding performance and customer service. Additionally, time previously spent on non-value-added steps can now be reinvested into service to drive sales.



*A place for everything,  
everything in its place.*

Benjamin Franklin

# A successful 5S program has no expiration date

It is part of the continuous improvement culture, and it is sustained across time. The difference we deliver is providing the strategies and tools to empower sustainment.

## Everyday reminders to facilitate continuous training and improvement

Building 5S into the everyday culture keeps the program alive and strong. Everyday reminders such as visual aids and reference guides help reinforce each task and keep the 5S cycle running. Continuous training for new associates is also essential for getting them on board, while communication and feedback across the organization keep associates engaged and ideas growing.

## Automating execution

You can't improve what you don't measure. We automate the sustainment process by systematically triggering auditing tasks to stores that not only capture program status but encourage quick and effective resolutions when opportunities are identified. The freedom to complete tasks via mobile enables supervisors to incorporate sustainment into their daily routines.

## Centralized management

Sustainment begins at the top of the organization, which is why we focus on providing tools to make informed decisions and centrally manage the health and sustainment of your program. Quickly identifying lower-performing stores, or stores that are slipping, enables you to take swift follow-up action with regional and store managers.

## Start driving transformation and performance

At Logile, we will help you optimize your workplace and streamline work methods by using proven industrial engineering techniques and leveraging our experience across multiple industries. We are ready to help you create a culture of continuous improvement.

### Get started

To learn more about how Logile's 5S Workplace Optimization service can help your business, contact us at [info@logile](mailto:info@logile) or visit [logile.com](http://logile.com)

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