# Customer case Jan de Rijk

Jan de Rijk Logistics provides international transport and contract logistics services. For their fulfilment offering, their location in Roosendaal has been equipped with the innovative AutoStore system. This enables Jan de Rijk Logistics to respond to industry trends and developments as well as specific tender requirements. The result? A future-proof system and a competitive offer for their customers.

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Erik van Dee, Manager Business Development



# Automation with AutoStore gives you a competitive edge.

#### Part of new direction

A transport company at heart - since 1970 - Jan de Rijk Logistics is developing into an all-round logistics service provider. Part of their offer is contract logistics: warehousing, fulfilment, but also assembly and customs services. From their many years of (new) markets have been identified. Jan de Rijk Logistics focuses on retail & e-commerce, consumer electronics and aftermarket & spare parts. In order to best serve these sectors, it was decided to automate as many repetitive processes as possible.

Erik van Dee, Manager Business Development: ""For us, it started with the implementation of a new warehouse management system in 2019. In addition, we expanded our team with experts in the field of warehousing. We spent a year mapping out the automation issues." To this end, Jan de Rijk Logistics called in UC Group's logistics consultants and asked Lalesse to join in the thinking. In 2020 this resulted in opting for an AutoStore solution.

#### Choosing AutoStore

A tender from a potential new client required a new way of working. Van Dee continues: "We started looking for a way to serve this customer as efficiently as possible. The flexibility of the system was important: it needs to be scalable so you can keep up with changing customer demands. The AutoStore system is outstanding in this respect".



Other benefits that played a role in the choice of the system were the customer's ability to move in quickly and, of course, the efficiency of the system. "We can keep the logistics costs of the system low for our customer and therefore offer them a competitive price. With AutoStore we can make our fulfilment services more competitive in the market and attract more customers.

### AutoStore at Jan de Rijk

Surface area:	500 m2
Number of bins:	15.000
Number of robots:	13
Number of workstations: 3	
Output:	150-200
Completion:	2021

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# We do much more work with the same people.

Moving from a conventional warehouse to AutoStore has brought many benefits to the work floor. "We are moving a lot more work with the same people and the error rate has been reduced significantly. The number of picks per hour has increased enormously because walking distances have been reduced a lot," says Van Dee. The AutoStore is equipped with Lalesse's LogiCS software, which has a very intuitive user interface. "People can work quickly and easily. All these advantages mean that we can offer our customers a reliable solution that further increases the quality of our services.

#### Logical layout = efficient working

Lalesse, in collaboration with Arco Solutions, has also equipped the AutoStore with a conveyor packaging line.

It works as follows: A carton erector, label applicator and flow racks ensure that the right shipping carton is ready, close to the operator.

The AutoStore system takes care of presenting the goods. An operator picks the items from the bin and places them in the shipping carton. An outfeed conveyor, together with AutoStore, eliminates unnecessary movement and allows the operator to concentrate on placing the correct product in the box.

The subsequent operations - placing the fill, closing the box, applying the shipping labels and sorting for the carrier - are almost fully automated. The logical layout of the space ensures that it is used as efficiently as possible.





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#### Account manager Mark van de Weijer says

"It is great to see how, in a relatively short space of time, Jan de Rijk has prepared the organisation for a new, automated way of working. This facilitated the implementation and ensured a flying start with the system. With the AutoStore, they have a very strong fulfilment offering that they can use to serve many new customers. Thanks to automation, Jan de Rijk can not only offer an attractive commercial rate, but the whole proposition becomes more competitive." says Van de Weijer. "In addition, the system is designed in such a way that it can easily be expanded as it grows. As Lalesse Logistics Solutions, we are proud of this great solution and looking forward to continuing our cooperation with Jan de Rijk."



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