



**Exceeding Customer Expectations**



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AFC Worldwide Express offers a wide range of transportation and logistics solutions.

- Domestic Services
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- Logistics Solutions

## ▶ Retail Logistics Solutions for Interior Construction

**Global and national retailers, who are planning for interior construction, can look to AFC Worldwide Express for fast and reliable logistics solutions.**

**Problem**

When a retail company is preparing for new construction, interior remodeling, or facilities upgrades, they often need a logistics provider that can help them avoid costly delays. The inability to fulfill the requirements of the construction project with minimum disruption to daily operations can drive up the cost of both construction and installation. It can also lead to

loss of revenue if the location is not prepared to open on time.

To successfully complete the construction or remodeling project, it may be necessary to purchase goods, fixtures, equipment, or products from multiple vendors. It is often essential for the shipping and arrival of these items to be carefully coordinated with the construction and installation schedule. If shelving or racks are involved, they must also arrive at an appropriate time to avoid disruption or delay.

Another challenge faced by many retailers is having appropriate staff and storage space at the site during construction. Most retailers do

not have staff on site every day during major construction, which can create serious problems for the supplier. They may also have a limited amount of space to stage, manage, or store goods that are received from multiple vendors and shippers. In many cases, the site may not be large enough to store or stage goods at all before installation.

**Solution**

To resolve these challenges AFC Worldwide Express works directly with the retail company to ensure that the entire process is well planned and coordinated from start to finish. A few of our services include:

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- ◆ Project management
- ◆ Supply chain management
- ◆ Communication between company, vendors, and construction
- ◆ Vendor accountability
- ◆ Consolidating materials and equipment into truckloads or LTL shipments
- ◆ Ensuring that materials and equipment arrive on time
- ◆ Advanced notice of problems with shipping and backorders
- ◆ Delivery during non-business hours
- ◆ Packaging and return of old equipment
- ◆ Web-based tracking and tracing

By assuming the project management, AFC can coordinate shipping schedules with vendors to ensure on-time delivery of all items. By consolidating materials and equipment, AFC can save the company unnecessary shipping costs and help avoid costly delays due to inadequate storage or staging. We also provide advanced notice of potential problems with

shipping or backorders that can slow down or stop the construction or installation.

AFC's web-based technology and online tracking enables the retailer to view the status of any project at any time.

Customers can review existing projects, receive electronic project updates, enter new projects, or see exactly where materials and equipment are during the entire construction process. It also allows vendors to check required shipping dates of purchase orders and receive arrival information on product shipped from their facilities.

### Results

Completing new construction or remodeling of retail sites requires careful planning and execution, especially when multiple vendors are involved. At AFC Worldwide Express, our logistics solutions enable the retailer to meet even the most difficult construction deadlines



and complete installation with minimum interruption to daily operations.

Providing reliable and predictable project management and logistics solutions for retail construction is another example of how AFC Worldwide Express consistently exceeds customer expectations. ◆