

# Predictive Maintenance App: part of pneumatic tube software RT-Win 4

It is important to you, to have a pneumatic tube system with minimal downtime and low maintenance costs? Then you should pay special attention to the software behind the pneumatic tube system. Using a smart software with a predictive maintenance function gives you the opportunity to spot failures before they occur.

RT-Win 4 – the user software for Hörtig pneumatic tube systems – comes with a predictive maintenance function as an optional app. RT-Win 4 is a modular software that consists of four basic, and a variety of additional apps. These are booked by the customer depending on his/her needs.

# Optimizing maintenance through data processing

Predictive maintenance forecasts undesirable operating states of the pneumatic tube system. It does so based on statistical and mechanical experience gained. Sensors installed all over the pneumatic tube system collect data over various measure points.

This data is then used by our pneumatic tube software RT-Win 4 and its Predictive Maintenance App to evaluate events and to predict malfunctions in the carriers, the tube lines, and the

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drives. These are elements with high wear potential. In the case of critical events, the software triggers a visual alarm.

Using predictive maintenance, downtimes are reduced, as service technicians, spare parts and logistics can be provided in a targeted manner through appropriate diagnoses.



Process Predictive Maintenance App

## Features of the Predictive Maintenance App

The Predictive Maintenance App clearly displays the recorded data for carrier wear, tube condition, and drive condition in tables and diagrams. In the event of a critical operating condition, it issues a visual warning. The warning is made clear by a signal yellow colour in the RT-Win software.

### **Predicting carrier wear**

Carrier maintenance monitors the condition of the pneumatic tube carriers in use. For this purpose, the software uses various statistical and mechanical parameters, such as the number of transports made, the travel time, and the distance covered by the carrier. Furthermore, the wear of the carriers' rings is automatically measured during each journey.

If values deviate from the threshold values, a clear signal is sent to the software user. In this case, the carrier is automatically moved to the maintenance or washing station during the next empty run.

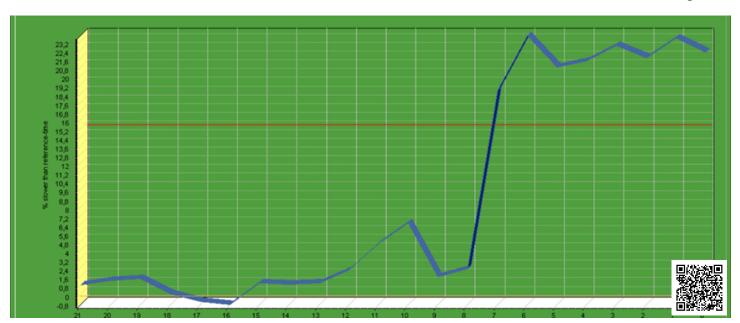
### **Predicting tube condition**

The tube maintenance records the condition of the installed pneumatic tube lines. It detects leaks in the tube network and stuck pneumatic tube carriers based on parameters such as travel time or sudden pressure rises.

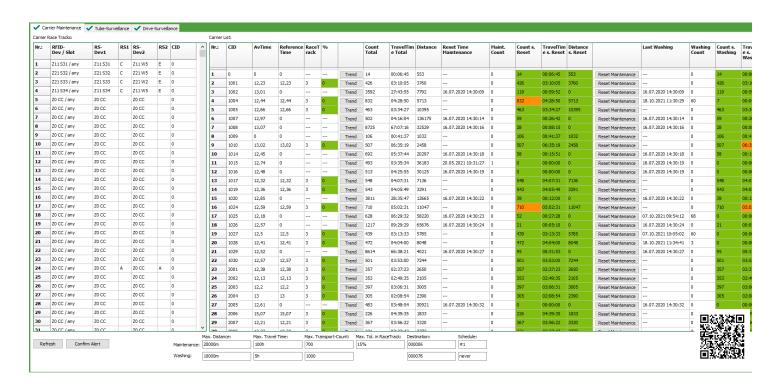
The software user can access all recorded values via detailed tables and diagrams. If a value deviates from the threshold, he receives a visual signal.

#### Predicting drive condition

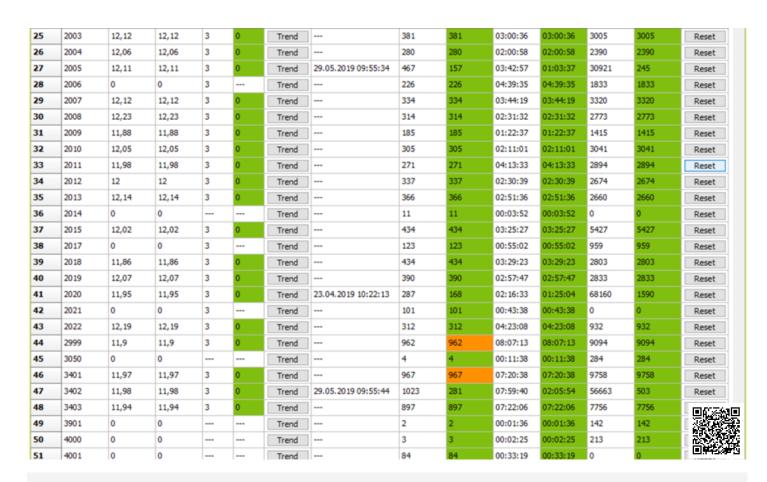
The drive maintenance tracks the number of positions approached and the operating time of all drives in the system. The measured values are displayed in table and diagram form. If the parameters of a drive deviate, the user receives a visual signal.



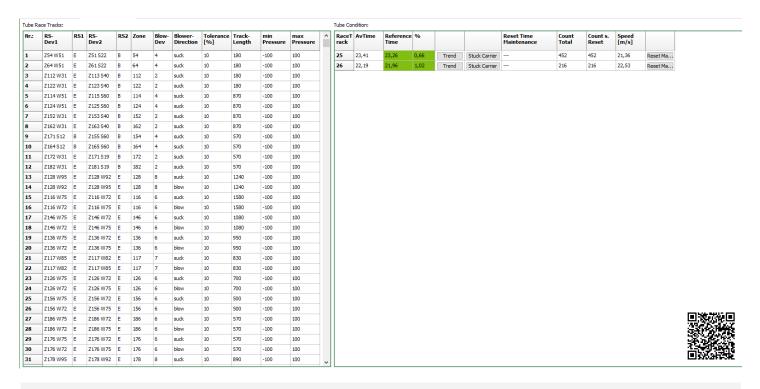
Exemplary graph in the Predictive Maintenance App: Showing carrier trends



### Predictive Maintenance App: Overview and carrier maintenance table



Carrier maintenance: visual signal because two carrier's parameters deviate



*Table for tube maintenance* 

# Your benefits when using the Predictive Maintenance App:

- Enables demand-oriented planning of service and maintenance actions
- Undesirable pneumatic tube system conditions can be eliminated immediately by fast reactions to avert cost-intensive consequential damage
- Less spontaneous errors in the system
- The system does not have to be taken down spontaneously
- Higher system reliability and availability

## Who we recommend the app:

Where system reliability is crucial, e.g. when sending samples from emergency surgeries or when a whole production relies on production samples that are sent via pneumatic tube systems

Modern organizations that attach importance to predictive maintenance and smart building management

### P.S.

Using the Predictive Maintenance App is very easy, as in the most cases no additional sensors have to be installed. The app uses the sensors, that are already installed in every one of our pneumatic tube systems.