

Construction ERP System Evaluation Checklist

Choosing the right Construction ERP solution is a decision that will shape your company's future. With many products offering similar features, it can be challenging to determine what truly matters for your business.

This interactive checklist helps you compare features and benefits across five critical categories. Use it to evaluate which solution will help you build a more connected, collaborative, and profitable business.

Use this checklist to compare the features and benefits of ERP vendors across these five categories:



Productivity

What can the product do to make you and your staff more productive?



Functionality

What features and functions does the product have that actually perform the daily accounting and business management functions?



Technology

Does the product leverage technology for mobility, usability, customizability, and maintainability?



Value

How does the product maximize features and functions vs. cost for the usable lifetime of the product?



Risk

How does the product minimize risk and facilitate security (both network and financial security)?

Productivity



Feature	Benefit	Priority	Acumatica		
Intuitive, Modern User Interface	Shorten the learning curve and navigate tasks quickly with software that's easy to learn and use. Speed up adoption rates with an attractive, modern UI.		✓		
Comprehensive Modules	Manage all your work in a single, connected application. Unite back-office, front-office, and field operations to streamline processes and create one version of the truth.		✓		
Role-Based Access & Personalization	Empower every user by tailoring menus, screens, and data access to meet their specific needs. This ensures your team sees what they need to see, helping them work more effectively.		✓		
True Mobility for Field & Office	Enable your team to access the system and critical data anytime, anywhere, on any device. Keep projects moving forward whether you're on the job site or in the office.		✓		
Intelligent Task Automation	Automate routine tasks, like data imports, report delivery, and email notifications. Reduce manual effort to free up time to focus on high-level activities that drive project success.		✓		
Comprehensive Reporting & Insights	Make faster, better decisions and eliminate guesswork with access to real-time, comprehensive data.		✓		
Unified Document Management	Ensure critical construction documents are current and available to all key personnel for improved collaboration.		✓		
Free Online Help and Support	Get your team up and running quickly with accessible, in-depth online help resources designed to answer questions and accelerate user adoption.		✓		
Multilingual Support	Operate across borders by working in your team's preferred language.		✓		

Functionality



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End-to-End Construction Management	Manage your entire project lifecycle in a single system, including contracts, change orders, subcontracts, and daily field reports, to ensure projects stay on time and on budget.		✓		
Real-Time Job Cost Accounting	Gain clear visibility into job costs and budget data from anywhere, with real-time updates and profitability drill-downs that empower smarter financial decisions.		✓		
Integrated Pre-Construction Tools	Streamline bidding, estimating, and project planning with natively integrated pre-construction capabilities to win more profitable work.		✓		
Advanced BI & Construction AI	Go beyond standard reports to proactively identify risks, forecast outcomes, and uncover opportunities for greater profitability with AI-driven insights.		✓		
Comprehensive Equipment & Inventory Management	Plan, track, and optimize the movement and utilization of supplies and equipment across multiple locations, yards, and job sites for maximum efficiency.		✓		
Automated Procurement & Vendor Collaboration	Automate complex procurement workflows and simplify collaboration with subcontractors and suppliers through an integrated vendor portal.		✓		
Unified Financials & Multi-Entity Management	Support your entire business on one platform, from standard accounting functions to complex, multi-company financial consolidations and intercompany transactions.		✓		
CRM for Business Development	Leverage a single database to provide a complete view of customers, from initial lead to final project, without synchronizing multiple systems.		✓		
Built-in Compliance & Field Service Management	Modernize compliance with AIA billing and safety tracking while efficiently managing field team schedules and mobile reporting.		✓		

Technology



Feature	Benefit	Priority	Acumatica		
True Cloud	With seamless scalability, real-time access, and lower IT costs, a true cloud ERP solution gives users flexibility and improved collaboration.		✓		
Flexible Deployment	Deploy in a public cloud, a private cloud, or on-premises. You have the freedom to choose the model that best fits your business needs today and the ability to switch anytime it makes sense for your future.		✓		
Customizable & Flexible Platform	Tailor your solution to your exact business processes without requiring a team of developers. Modify workflows, create custom reports, and adapt screens using intuitive, industry-standard tools.		✓		
Open Architecture & Seamless Integrations	Connect all your essential business applications into one unified system. Leverage open APIs to easily integrate with other best-in-class construction software, ensuring seamless data flow across your entire operation.		✓		
Powerful and Reliable Database	Trust that your system can handle your growth. All data is stored in a high-performance relational SQL database, giving you full access to query and export information for reporting, auditing, or backups.		✓		
Continual Improvements	Regular software releases provide users with a commitment to continually enhancing the existing platform.		✓		
Upgrades on Your Schedule	Plan and execute system upgrades at dates and times that are most convenient for your business, not dictated by the software vendor.		✓		

Value



Feature	Benefit	Priority	Acumatica		
Low Total Cost of Ownership TCO	Reduce long-term costs over the lifetime of the product, including licensing, hardware, upgrade, and hosting costs. Factor in additional products required for operation, such as web server, database server, and support costs.		✓		
Intelligent Automation	Empower your team to do more with less by automating routine tasks. This holds down staffing costs and frees up your employees to focus on strategic initiatives that drive growth.		✓		
Scalability to Grow without Added Cost	Accommodate heavier volumes, more projects, and more users as your business grows without compromising performance.		✓		
Resource-Based Licensing	Pay only for the computing resources you use, not for the number of users. This unique model makes it affordable to give every employee, subcontractor, and partner access to the system, fostering true collaboration.		✓		
Flexible Licensing Options	Select between subscription or perpetual licensing (ongoing operating expense versus a depreciable capital expense).		✓		
Free, On-Demand Training	Get your team up to speed quickly and maximize your investment without incurring additional training costs. Access a comprehensive library of online courses to ensure everyone can use the system effectively.		✓		
Preserve Capital	Reduce initial cash outlay for hardware and software with a cloud deployment, freeing up capital for other business initiatives.		✓		

Risk



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Enhanced Security & Built-in Compliance	Leverage best-in-class security at no extra cost and meet industry standards with included tools for certified payroll, safety tracking, and bonding reports.		✓		
Predictable Costs	Avoid spikes in IT costs. Standardizing on a platform allows you to predict your monthly cost for the system.		✓		
Quick Deployment	Eliminate time delay and risk of unplanned costs by deploying quickly with a cloud solution.		✓		
Robust Backup & Disaster Recovery	Protect your company's critical data with automated backup, failover, and disaster recovery services managed by global technology leaders.		✓		
Best-in-class Security at No Additional Cost	Support platform, web, and computer security leveraging expertise at hosting providers.		✓		
Data in the Cloud	Avoid leaving your data on your own servers where it is more vulnerable to attack.		✓		
Seamless Integrations & Upgrades	Use modern web capabilities to easily integrate with other business applications and eliminate the risk of missing an update with a solution that's continually improved.		✓		

Acumatica Cloud ERP is a comprehensive business management solution that was born in the cloud and built for more connected, collaborative ways of working. Designed explicitly to enable small and mid-market companies to thrive in today's digital economy, Acumatica's flexible solution, customer-friendly business practices, and industry-specific functionality help growing businesses adapt to fast-moving markets and take control of their future.

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