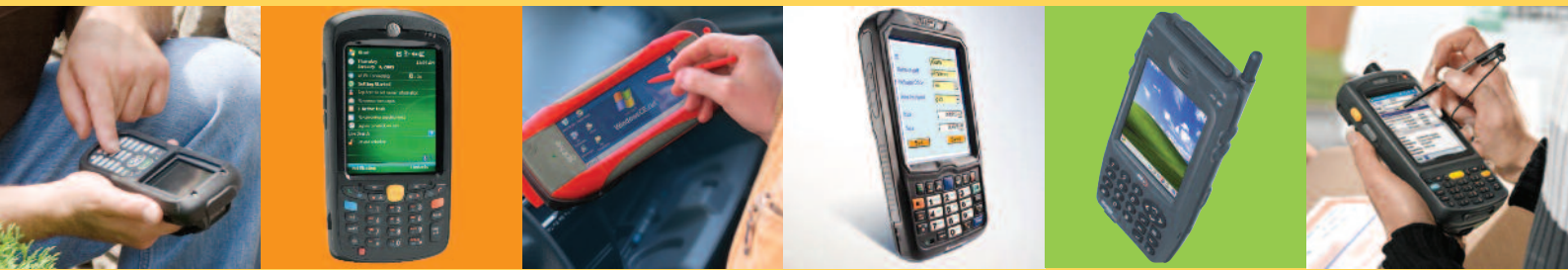


Spirit Truant Track™

Ideal for improving school attendance



Overview

According to DCFS figures, in 2007/08 there were 233,340 Persistent Absences in primary, secondary and special schools. It's the responsibility of Local Authorities to keep track of truants – but this can be a difficult and complex task. However, targeted intervention can reduce persistent unauthorised absences significantly.

Spirit has therefore developed Spirit Truant Track™, a versatile monitoring system that uses a rugged handheld terminal and specialist software so that you can keep a close eye on truants in your local area.

Spirit Truant Track™ enables you to gain real-time information about individual pupil attendance and location. By monitoring truants more effectively, you can start to develop strategies for encouraging regular attendance and for reducing unauthorised absences.



Free demo versions available from Spirit

Key hardware/software

Spirit Truant Track™ is available as a fully hosted service. The mobile device can be chosen from one or more of a range of associated hardware options. These include:

- A compact Personal Digital Assistant (PDA)
- A powerful handheld mobile computer

Key benefits

Spirit Truant Track™ is a versatile solution that offers a wide range of benefits, including:

Enhanced monitoring – effective tracking of persistent offenders

Ease of use – easy and rapid access to details of persistent absentees. A handheld device is used to record and report details of local truants

Better targeting – back-end processing allows you to rapidly see truancy levels in relation to schools, streets or geographical areas

Improved communications – our solution offers instant voice and data transfer using GSM and GPRS

Better management information – through a comprehensive range of detailed online reports that can be tailored by the end user and then exported to various data formats

Key features

Detailed reports

Spirit Truant Track offers a wide range of management reports, including customised ones designed to meet DCFS requirements. Some of the parameters that can be recorded include: date and area of sweep; exact time and location; Inclusion Officer; child's details; school details; parent/guardian details; address; whether accompanied by parent; whether returned to school; and reason for truancy photo evidence. This enables you to analyse the data for information such as the schools with the most truants; the age groups involved; and the most common reasons given for truancy.

Synchronised data

The device is automatically updated.

Easy set-up

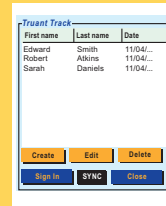
Our solution is easy to install and use: it will effectively work straight from the box.

See Spirit Truant Track™ on line at www.spiritdatacapture.co.uk/truant_track.asp

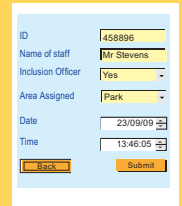
Key steps



Step 1
Welcome screen



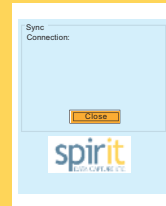
Step 2
The main screen shows the records of truants caught



Step 3
The details of the truant are entered



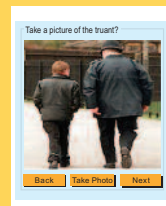
Step 4
Screen asks for more key questions



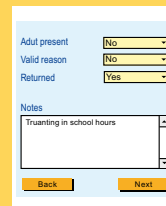
Step 5
After the fields have been entered the record is uploaded onto the main database and a copy held on the main list



Step 6
The officer or member of staff signs the form to declare the record has been taken



Step 7
A picture can be taken for evidence of truancy



Step 8
Option available to add a note about the individual

