



Snap Schedule 2013

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Pros

Snap Schedule allows you to add up to 25 data fields per employee. There is no limit to the number of employees you can schedule using this [software](#).

Cons

You cannot send [text](#) message notifications to employees using Snap Scheduling. There is no time clock feature, and you cannot post schedules online using this [application](#).

The Verdict: 8.63/10

This [desktop](#) software is ideal for meeting the complex scheduling needs of any organization with no ongoing costs. It offers most basic scheduling features, but because it is not a hosted service, it lacks the accessibility that many online services can provide.



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Reporting Score	Ease of Use Score	Cost for 10 Employees	Cost for 25 Employees	Cost for 50			
A score based on the software's reporting options and ability to create reports.			Percentage (More is better)				
Snap Schedule			85				
Compare to the Top 3 Employee Scheduling Software							
#1 ShiftPlanning			95				
#2 Time Forge Scheduling			100				
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Category Average			70				
Percentage	0	20	40	60	80	100	120

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Snap Schedule is easy-to-use [staff management software](#) that helps you manage your employees and their schedules. This application does an outstanding job with tracking employee skills, wages and overtime. It can create several reports and send email notifications to employees to remind them of upcoming shifts.

Snap Schedule is not a hosted service, so you must download and install it on your computer. Because it is a downloadable product, the information cannot be accessed anywhere there is an internet connection. However, you do not have to pay a monthly fee to use this office scheduling software, which is an advantage. For a one-time cost, you can schedule as many employees as you wish.

To ensure that your employees are well aware of their upcoming shifts, Snap Schedule allows you to print work schedules for your entire staff, individuals and departments. You can also email schedules to your employees from a service that is built into the interface. Unfortunately, your employees can't get upcoming-shift

alerts or open-shift alerts by text message from this software.

Beyond printing your schedules, you can export them to many file types, and even to other desktop applications with Snap Schedule. Supported file types include PDF, CSV, JPG, RTF and more. You can also export them directly to an HTML document for easy schedule posting on your company website. Snap Schedule does not provide a unique webpage on which to post your schedules like many fully hosted scheduling services do.

Snap Schedule stores its data in a Microsoft SQL Server database, making it easy to back up and easy to integrate with external applications such as HR and payroll tools. The software also comes with a free Software Development Kit (SDK) to create additional integrations.

You can specify employee availability for upcoming shifts, assign on-call status to employees and even define departments. You can add up to 25 data fields per employee. This aspect of the software makes it particularly useful for companies or agencies that have 24-hour staffing requirements.

Once you have a basic schedule, modifying it is painless. You can add time off right from the calendar view. You can also set up warnings to use with the validation tool. This will cause flags to appear in the corner of each shift block when there's an issue, such as employees being scheduled for a shift for which they don't have the necessary skills and employees being scheduled during vacations or pre-defined unavailable times. Another warning option that can save you thousands in wages concerns overtime. You can choose to be notified when any employees are scheduled for more than their allowed hours.

Labor costs are visible right from the calendar view. You can see each employee's hourly wage, including applicable overtime costs. You can also see a total cost for every shift.

This employee scheduling software gets all the basics of scheduling spot on. It also offers extras such as the ability to assign tasks within shifts. For example, you might be scheduling a shift at a library. Right from the Snap Schedule interface, you can assign tasks such as re-shelving, story time in the children's department or collection quality assessment. You can also add notes to any schedule. Adding breaks and mealtimes is easy as well.

Snap Schedule does an excellent job of analyzing and presenting data about your staff schedules. More than 20 kinds of reports put more information at your fingertips than most competing employee scheduling programs, online or otherwise. Available reports include time-off summaries, shift-assignment rosters, employee activity, employee skills and more. The reports are offered in a professional and clear format, making them well suited for presentations to management and accounting departments.

Business Management Systems, the publisher of Snap Schedule, offers help and support from its staff. The company lacks live chat support, but you can email questions directly to representatives. You can also send the company your existing schedule information as CSV files, and its staff will convert that information to Snap Schedule at no charge.

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Summary:

Snap Schedule is a comprehensive product that is not only easy to use, but will also save you time and money with its advanced reporting and labor-cost tracking. It lacks the employee-communication options of some of its top competitors, but this software is ideal for large companies and agencies with elaborate scheduling needs.

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