



# Contractor Software Corp. — Contractor V Plus

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Contractor V Plus from Contractor Software Corporation (CSC) has been supplying the construction industry with valuable software since 1978. Designed for contractors, construction companies, homebuilders and



developers, Contractor V Plus is best suited for small to midsize companies.

Kathy Wright of D.T. Wright, Inc., a 26-employee general engineering firm from Temecula, Calif., recognizes Contractor V Plus as a very user-friendly complete package for running her business. "The payroll reporting I do is with confidence, knowing the program does everything for me from calculating garnishments to taxes with 100 percent accuracy." Ms. Wright says the main factors influencing their decision to select Contractor V Plus

included the ease of abstracting information needed for payroll, accounts payable and accounts receivable as well as the monthly and year-end reporting capabilities.

## LEARNING CURVE

Recently upgraded to Clarion 6, Contractor V Plus can be easily installed. For security purposes, all new users will need to call the corporate office to obtain an activation code.

A sample company is installed with the software, which allows new users to become comfortable with the system prior to entering live data. Contractor V Plus is available in three sizes: a singer-user version, a network version and a client/server version.

The main screen features a drop-down menu that provides access to all installed modules. A vertical bar to the left of the screen provides one-click access to frequently used functions. Data-entry screens are logically arranged, and are easily navigated, even by those unfamiliar with the system. Contractor V Plus uses a Pervasive Workgroup or Pervasive Client/Server engine, depending on the version purchased. The System Tailoring feature provides you with excellent customization capability in each module, and the data review option lets you review or edit data-entry information prior to

posting, which ensures higher levels of accuracy even among new users. ★★★★★

## MODULES & FUNCTIONALITY

Contractor V Plus is a modular system and includes GL, AP, AR, Job Cost, Cash Management, Sub-contract Management, Payroll, Estimating, Service Receivables, and a Custom Report Writer. Add-on modules available include Purchase Orders, Equipment Costing and Electronic Data Import.

Software enhancements found in version 4.2 include the ability to e-mail invoices and statements to vendors, the addition of the Auto Job Billing feature, and an expanded insurance and contractor license tracking system, which will now track licensing in all 50 states. The Job Cost module allows you to track your costs in a number of ways, including job, number, date or supervisor. The overview screen provides a good financial summary for all of your companies, including current bank balances, AP and AR balances, the dollar amount of all unbilled jobs currently recorded in your system, and the total of your current contracts. You can also track change orders, including pending, internal and rejected.

The Payroll module has also had several updates, including the ability to password protect executive payroll

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records, mask social security numbers on paychecks and payroll reports, and the capability to calculate local taxes in addition to state and federal taxes.

Multiple accounting periods can be open simultaneously, and you can easily track contractor insurance requirements and licensing expirations. As well, the Payroll module easily handles multi-state payroll processing. ★★★★★

### IMPORT/EXPORT/INTEGRATION

Contractor V Plus is a fully integrated system with all modules and add-on modules designed to work in tandem. Contractor V Plus now also integrates with Aligo/H2 Service Works, which provides service management and work order billing. Contractor V Plus will also integrate with third-party estimating software. The Electronic Data Import module (add-on) directly imports payroll data into the system for quicker check processing. ★★★★★

### SUPPORT & TRAINING

Ms. Wright has found the vendor's technical support to be very friendly and helpful, noting that "if they do not have the answer, they will research it for you." She advises new users not to hesitate to contact the support team on any questions. Toll-free technical support is available Monday through Friday from 6:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Pacific Time. Support personnel can also be reached by e-mail and fax. For more difficult problems, the technical support staff will dial into your system to facilitate diagnosis. Various training and consulting options are offered by CSC, as are monthly seminars for contractors. ★★★★★

### REPORTING

Contractor V Plus offers a good variety of canned reports, but users can also use Crystal Reports for expanded reporting. Reports available include various field reports, WIP reports, job

cost analysis reports, subcontractor reports, and insurance expiration reports. Various filtering options are provided in the reporting module for customizing system reports. Once you choose filters, you can save them in the system so they won't need to be re-entered.

Payroll reports available include multi-state payroll totals by employee, total or cost center. ★★★★★

### RELATIVE VALUE

Small to midsize construction companies will find Contractor V Plus to be user friendly and affordably priced at \$3,800 for a single-user system (\$5,000 for a three-user system). This price includes your first year of support, all software updates and 15 hours of training. For a company looking to get up and running quickly, Contractor V Plus is an excellent choice. ★★★★★

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