

Business Requirements Document (BRD)

Project: Hotel Front Desk Check-In Optimization

1. Introduction / Project Overview

The goal of this project is to optimize the hotel front desk check-in process by eliminating manual data entry and automating room assignments. This improvement enhances guest experience by reducing wait times, minimizing errors, and allowing staff to focus on customer service.

2. Current State (As-Is Process)

The current check-in process involves several manual steps:

- Staff manually enters guest details such as address and phone number into the PMS.
- Staff manually checks guest preferences and assigns rooms.
- Payment and key issuance are handled at the front desk.

These manual processes create bottlenecks, increase the chance of errors, and slow down check-in during peak hours.

3. Identified Bottlenecks

1. Manual Data Entry

- a. Staff must type guest addresses and phone numbers for every check-in.

2. Manual Room Assignment

- a. Staff must review guest preferences and decide on the room manually, causing delays.

4. Proposed Solution (To-Be Process)

1. PMS Auto-Fills Guest Information

- Retrieves data from previous stays for returning guests.
- For new guests, the guest can enter their information while making a reservation.
- Eliminates manual typing and verification errors.

2. Smart Room Assignment

- The system automatically assigns rooms based on guest preferences and availability.
- Reduces decision-making time and speeds up check-in.

3. Streamlined Check-In Steps

- Guest provides ID & credit card at arrival.
- Payment is completed efficiently at the front desk.
- Key is generated automatically (digital or physical).
- Guests check in quickly and smoothly.

5. Benefits / Outcomes

- Reduces average check-in time by 3–5 minutes per guest.
- Minimizes human errors in guest information and room assignments.
- Improves guest satisfaction and overall front desk efficiency.
- Staff can focus on customer service rather than manual processes.