

Lean Tool Information Sheet What is ... Mistake Proofing (Poka Yoke)

Improve Workplace efficiency using Mistake Proofing (Poka Yoke)

Poka-Yoke is the Japanese name for Mistake Proofing. Mistake proofing ensures that any chance of error is eliminated by way of process or product / service design.

Mistake proofed processes can improve workplace efficiency by eliminating costly investments by detecting potential quality problems and eliminating the chance of error. This not only provides quality assurance that business processes are error free but saves time and costly effort with work that must be re-done or fixed.

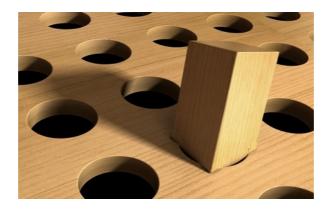
Mistake Proofing (Poka Yoke) techniques involves the team to:

- ✓ Identify potential quality risks and root cause issues in processes
- ✓ Implement systems that will reduce costly quality errors and re-work
- ✓ Develop a clear understanding of the optimum way to complete tasks
- ✓ Make processes more transparent
- Reduce processing effort
- ✓ Improve quality management
- ✓ Eliminate quality risk and band-aid solutions

Benefits of Vative's Mistake Proofing techniques:

- ✓ Best used for repetitive processes only
- ✓ Best results achieved when linked into product / service design
- ✓ Provides workplace efficiencies by elimination of root cause issues
- ✓ Drives towards a zero defect management strategy

Designing out risks, not fixing the faults!



For more information on how mistake proofing can help your business contact Vative.

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