

Inventory Management System - Complete Guide

Overview

Comprehensive inventory management system with automatic stock deduction, ingredient tracking per menu item, low-stock alerts, and detailed reporting.

Key Features

1. Inventory Item Management

- Create/update/delete inventory items
- Track stock levels in real-time
- Support for multiple units (KG, L, PCS, etc.)
- Category-based organization
- Supplier information tracking
- Expiry date monitoring
- Storage location tracking

2. Automatic Stock Deduction

- **Automatic deduction when orders are confirmed**
- Ingredient tracking per menu item
- Quantity validation before order confirmation
- Transaction audit trail
- Support for optional ingredients

3. Low Stock Alerts

- Automatic alert generation
- Alert types: LOW_STOCK, OUT_OF_STOCK, EXPIRING_SOON
- Alert acknowledgment workflow
- Alert resolution tracking
- Real-time alert count

4. Inventory Reporting

- Total inventory value calculation
 - Category-wise summaries
 - Top value items
 - Recently updated items
 - Purchase cost analysis
 - Transaction history
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System Architecture

Entity Relationships

InventoryItem (1) \longleftrightarrow (N) MenuItemInventory \longleftrightarrow (1) MenuItem



└─ (N) StockTransaction

└─ (N) LowStockAlert

Core Entities

InventoryItem

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- id, itemCode, name, description
- category (VEGETABLES, MEAT, DAIRY, etc.)
- unit (KG, L, PCS, etc.)
- currentQuantity, minimumQuantity, maximumQuantity
- costPerUnit, supplierName, supplierContact
- status (IN_STOCK, LOW_STOCK, OUT_OF_STOCK)
- expiryDate, storageLocation

MenuItemInventory

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- menuItemId, inventoryItemId
- quantityRequired (per 1 menu item)
- isOptional (can be made without this ingredient)

StockTransaction

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- transactionType (PURCHASE, ORDER_DEDUCTION, etc.)
- quantity, quantityBefore, quantityAfter
- costPerUnit, totalCost
- orderId (if deduction for order)
- performedBy, referenceNumber, supplier

LowStockAlert

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- alertType (LOW_STOCK, OUT_OF_STOCK, EXPIRING_SOON)
- currentQuantity, minimumQuantity
- status (ACTIVE, ACKNOWLEDGED, RESOLVED)
- acknowledgedBy, acknowledgedAt, resolvedAt



Automatic Stock Deduction Flow

Step 1: Link Ingredients to Menu Items

http

```
POST /api/inventory/{inventoryItemId}/link-menu-item
{
  "menuItemId": 1,
  "quantityRequired": 0.5, // 0.5 KG per menu item
  "isOptional": false,
  "notes": "Fresh tomatoes"
}
```

Example: Pizza Margherita

- Tomatoes: 0.5 KG (required)
- Cheese: 0.2 KG (required)
- Basil: 0.05 KG (optional)


Step 2: Customer Places Order

http

POST /api/orders

```
{
  "orderType": "DINE_IN",
  "tableNumber": "T5",
  "items": [
    {
      "menuItem": 1, // Pizza Margherita
      "quantity": 2,
      "modifierIds": []
    }
  ]
}
```

System automatically checks stock availability:

- Pizza requires: 0.5 KG tomatoes $\times 2 = 1.0$ KG
 - Available: 50 KG 
 - Order proceeds
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Step 3: Restaurant Confirms Order

http

PUT /api/orders/{orderId}/status

```
{
  "status": "CONFIRMED"
}
```

Automatic stock deduction occurs:

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```
// In OrderService.updateOrderStatus
if (newStatus == Order.OrderStatus.CONFIRMED) {
    inventoryService.deductStockForOrder(order, currentUser);
}
```

What happens:

1. For each order item (2 pizzas)
 2. Find all linked ingredients
 3. Calculate required quantity: $0.5 \text{ KG} \times 2 = 1.0 \text{ KG}$
 4. Check availability
 5. Deduct stock: $50 \text{ KG} \rightarrow 49 \text{ KG}$
 6. Create transaction record
 7. Check if alert should be created
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Step 4: Transaction Record Created

json

```
{
  "transactionType": "ORDER_DEDUCTION",
  "quantity": -1.0, // Negative for deduction
  "quantityBefore": 50.0,
  "quantityAfter": 49.0,
  "orderId": 123,
  "orderNumber": "ORD20240120001",
  "notes": "Order #ORD123 - Pizza Margherita x2"
}
```

Low Stock Alert System

Alert Triggers

1. Stock Falls Below Minimum:

Current: 8 KG
Minimum: 10 KG
→ Creates LOW_STOCK alert

2. Stock Reaches Zero:

Current: 0 KG
→ Creates OUT_OF_STOCK alert

3. Approaching Expiry:

Expiry Date: 2024-01-25

Current Date: 2024-01-23

→ Creates EXPIRING_SOON alert

Alert Workflow

1. ACTIVE → Alert created, visible to staff

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2. ACKNOWLEDGED → Staff has seen the alert

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3. RESOLVED → Stock replenished or issue addressed

Get Active Alerts:

http

GET /api/inventory/alerts/active

Response:

json

```
{
  "data": [
    {
      "inventoryItemName": "Fresh Tomatoes",
      "itemCode": "TOMATO-001",
      "alertType": "LOW_STOCK",
      "currentQuantity": 8.0,
      "minimumQuantity": 10.0,
      "unit": "KG",
      "status": "ACTIVE"
    }
  ]
}
```

Acknowledge Alert:

http

POST /api/inventory/alerts/{alertId}/acknowledge

Resolve Alert:

http

POST /api/inventory/alerts/{alertId}/resolve



Inventory Reporting

1. Dashboard Summary

http

GET /api/inventory/reports/summary

Response:

json

```
{
  "totalItems": 150,
  "inStockItems": 120,
  "lowStockItems": 25,
  "outOfStockItems": 5,
  "totalInventoryValue": 45000.00,
  "categorySummaries": [
    {
      "category": "VEGETABLES",
      "itemCount": 30,
      "totalValue": 5000.00
    }
  ]
}
```

2. Stock Transactions

http

GET /api/inventory/{itemId}/transactions

Transaction Types:

- **PURCHASE** - Received from supplier
 - **ORDER_DEDUCTION** - Used for order
 - **WASTAGE** - Spoiled/damaged
 - **MANUAL_ADDITION** - Manual increase
 - **MANUAL_DEDUCTION** - Manual decrease
 - **ADJUSTMENT** - Stock count adjustment
 - **TRANSFER_IN/OUT** - Branch transfers
 - **RETURN_TO_SUPPLIER** - Returned items
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3. Purchase Cost Analysis

http

GET /api/inventory/reports/purchase-cost?startDate=2024-01-01&endDate=2024-01-31

Calculates total cost of purchases in date range

API Endpoints

Inventory Management

POST	/api/inventory	# Create item
GET	/api/inventory	# List items
GET	/api/inventory/{id}	# Get item
PUT	/api/inventory/{id}	# Update item
POST	/api/inventory/{id}/add-stock	# Add stock
POST	/api/inventory/{id}/deduct-stock	# Deduct stock
GET	/api/inventory/{id}/transactions	# View transactions

Menu Item Linking

POST	/api/inventory/{id}/link-menu-item	# Link ingredient
GET	/api/inventory/menu-item/{id}/availability	# Check availability

Alerts & Reports


```
GET /api/inventory/low-stock # Low stock items
GET /api/inventory/alerts # All alerts
GET /api/inventory/alerts/active # Active alerts
GET /api/inventory/alerts/count # Alert count
POST /api/inventory/alerts/{id}/acknowledge # Acknowledge alert
POST /api/inventory/alerts/{id}/resolve # Resolve alert
```

Usage Examples

Example 1: Setting Up Inventory for Pizza

Step 1: Create inventory items

```
http

POST /api/inventory
{
  "itemCode": "TOMATO-001",
  "name": "Fresh Tomatoes",
  "category": "VEGETABLES",
  "unit": "KG",
  "initialQuantity": 50.0,
  "minimumQuantity": 10.0,
  "costPerUnit": 2.50,
  "supplierName": "Fresh Farms Co."
}
```

Step 2: Link to menu item

```
http

POST /api/inventory/1/link-menu-item
{
  "menuItemId": 10, // Pizza Margherita
  "quantityRequired": 0.5,
  "isOptional": false
}
```

Step 3: Order is placed and confirmed

- Stock automatically deducted: 50 KG → 49.5 KG
 - Transaction recorded
 - Status updated if needed
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Example 2: Restocking Inventory

```
http

POST /api/inventory/1/add-stock
{
  "quantity": 30.0,
  "transactionType": "PURCHASE",
  "costPerUnit": 2.50,
  "referenceNumber": "PO-2024-001",
  "supplier": "Fresh Farms Co.",
  "notes": "Weekly delivery"
}
```

Result:

- Stock: 8 KG → 38 KG
 - Transaction created
 - LOW_STOCK alert auto-resolved
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Example 3: Handling Wastage

```
http

POST /api/inventory/1/deduct-stock
{
  "quantity": 5.0,
  "transactionType": "WASTAGE",
  "notes": "Spoiled due to storage temperature issue"
}
```

Best Practices

1. Initial Setup

- Create all inventory items before linking to menu items
- Set appropriate minimum quantities based on usage
- Configure reorder quantities for easy restocking

2. Regular Maintenance

- Review low stock alerts daily
- Conduct weekly inventory audits
- Update expiry dates regularly
- Keep supplier information current

3. Menu Item Configuration

- Link all required ingredients
- Mark truly optional ingredients as optional
- Set accurate quantity requirements
- Test availability checks before launch

4. Stock Management

- Always use transaction types correctly
- Include reference numbers for purchases
- Add notes for context
- Review transaction history for anomalies



Permissions

Role	Create	View	Add Stock	Deduct	Link Menu	View Alerts
RESTAURANT_ADMIN	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
CHEF	✗	✓	✗	✗	✓	✓
ADMIN	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓



Database Views

inventory_value_summary

Category-wise inventory value and stock status

menu_item_availability

Real-time availability status for all menu items



Production Features

- ✓ Automatic stock deduction on order confirmation
- ✓ Real-time low stock alerts
- ✓ Complete transaction audit trail
- ✓ Multi-category support
- ✓ Multiple unit types
- ✓ Expiry date tracking
- ✓ Supplier management
- ✓ Branch-level inventory
- ✓ Optional ingredient support
- ✓ Comprehensive reporting
- ✓ Database triggers for automation
- ✓ Multi-tenant safe



Next Steps

1. **Set up inventory items** for your restaurant
2. **Link ingredients** to menu items
3. **Configure minimum quantities** for alerts
4. **Test order flow** to verify automatic deduction
5. **Monitor alerts** and adjust thresholds
6. **Review reports** to optimize stock levels

Ready for production! 