

# ASCENT RICOCHET

Everyone knows how to use a Web browser and an office copier. Now, Ascent Ricochet, the latest browser-based extension of Ascent Capture, enables any knowledge worker to employ these simple tools to initiate production document workflow for the important document packages they help create.

Your CFO will love it. Because he can empower every desktop without buying more production document scanners and hiring extra trained operators. Even your IT staff will appreciate it. Because they can deploy, administer, and support Ascent Ricochet globally from a single administrator's remote desktop.

## EMPOWERS CONTENT EXPERTS.

No one knows more about a document than the people who created it or who work closely with the information it contains. Thus, they are the best qualified to index it for later retrieval and processing. Ascent Ricochet empowers these content experts to initiate this workflow faster and more accurately than ever before.

## NO DELAYS, NO LOST DOCUMENTS, NO ADDITIONAL INVESTMENT.

No longer must companies ship documents to a central location for scanning, indexing and workflow insertion. That can add days to transaction processing, compromise security of sensitive information and even cause the loss of more than one out of every four documents.

Some companies have installed distributed document capture operations to address these issues. Distributed capture can shorten the transaction processing cycle by days, improve security and dramatically reduce document losses. But traditional distributed capture requires an investment in hardware and personnel for each office where capture will occur. This can still be an effective choice when a substantial volume of documents must be captured at each office. Ascent Capture Internet Server was designed for this type of environment.

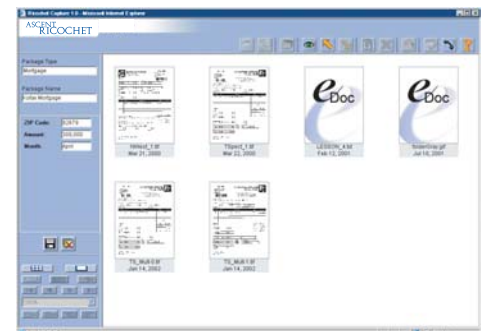
However, when volumes are small but captured documents must still enter a designated workflow, Ascent Ricochet may be the best choice. Knowledge workers anywhere in the enterprise can initiate this workflow using their desktop Web browser and the nearest digital copier or multifunction peripheral (MFP). And Ascent Ricochet amplifies the benefits of distributed capture: workflow can be triggered in minutes versus hours (or days for centrally scanned documents), and pre-indexing by the content expert — rather than a scanning specialist — results in more accurate classification of mission-critical documents.

Take financial services. A branch officer typically helps a customer complete the forms required to apply for a loan. The branch officer is the content expert for that loan package and is best-qualified to enter a few key index values and launch the remainder of the loan origination workflow. Extend that capability across the enterprise and that institution can approve and close loans faster than a competitor.

## AS SIMPLE AS SURFING THE WEB. AS FAMILIAR AS USING A COPIER.

On the user side, Ascent Ricochet is a Java application that presents itself to the user through a familiar Web browser interface. Installation is a simple, one-time download. A desktop icon launches it.

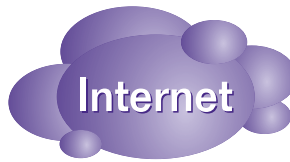
Using it is just as easy. Simply walk your document to the nearest networked copier, select your name from the list in the copier display, place the document in the feeder and press a single button. When you return to your desk, launch Ascent Ricochet and it will display icons of the document pages you just scanned. Then select a document



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package type from the pull-down list and fill in the associated index fields that appear. Zoom the icons to confirm image quality, rotate them or select some or all for inclusion in your document package. Need to attach an e-doc – say a spreadsheet – to your package? No problem. Ascent Ricochet supports electronic attachments.

Click send and that's it. The user doesn't need to know anything about the terminology or procedures of production document capture. Instead, technology behind the scenes recognizes the document type, automatically creates additional indexing information and releases the document to the proper workflow within the organization. Within minutes, any authorized person may access or modify the document.

#### THE POWER OF ASCENT.

Ascent Ricochet taps the full power of Ascent Capture from Kofax, the recognized "Operating System of Capture," while shielding users from the complexity that makes Ascent the popular choice for the most sophisticated, high-volume document and data capture environments. For example, the "package" selections that appear to the end user are generated by Ascent Capture. They contain all the document type and batch class information that defines the workflow for each package. Ascent Capture permits easy, one-step updating of these definitions to every type of Ascent Capture workstation, whether a central production site, ACIS locations or even knowledge workers exposed to the production workflow via Ascent Ricochet.

#### HOW IT WORKS.

An Ascent Capture administrator defines the document package choices presented to all Ascent Ricochet users. The document package selection also triggers the workflow the administrator has defined for this package. When the administrator updates these parameters, Ascent Capture automatically updates Ascent Ricochet Server.

Ascent Ricochet communicates with Ascent Capture via XML. When the user clicks "send," all of the images and eDocs that make up the package are uploaded to the Ascent Ricochet server as well as an XML file which contains the relevant index values for the package. Ascent then automatically imports the data and then performs the additional indexing, verification or release as defined by the original batch class setup by the central Ascent Capture administrator.

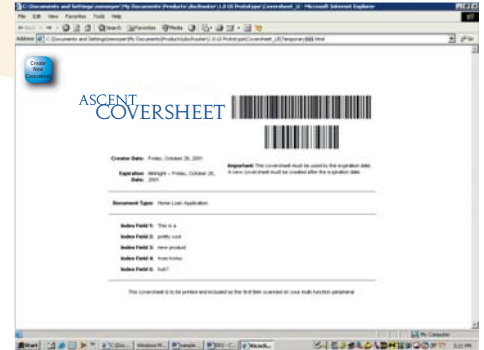
#### NO SOFTWARE INSTALLATION OR UPGRADE HASSLES.

Organizations can enjoy these benefits without the cost and hassle of desktop software installations from CD, without worrying about the installation of a hardware licensing key and without the need to purchase additional single-function scanning products for the

designated offices. Administrators simply supply a Web address where users can go to download the product. Once downloaded, each remote location can use its existing digital copier or MFP as the input device for their organization's document workflow needs.

#### SAMPLE THE KEY BENEFITS OF ASCENT RICOCHET FREE: DOWNLOAD ASCENT RICOCHET COVERSHEET.

Like Ascent Ricochet, Ascent Coversheet initiates a production document workflow using a Web browser and a networked MFP. But Coversheet is a simple Web form which the user completes, prints and uses as a specially encoded coversheet for their document. To learn more about it or to download it without cost, visit



[www.kofax.com/products/ascent/coversheet](http://www.kofax.com/products/ascent/coversheet).

An upgrade to Ascent Ricochet adds visual quality control of scanned documents, e-doc attachments and detailed delivery notification. For more information on this entire family of products, visit [www.kofax.com/products/ascent/ricochet](http://www.kofax.com/products/ascent/ricochet).

#### SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS FOR ASCENT RICOCHET.

- Ascent Capture Version 5.5 or later
- Microsoft IIS Server Version 5.0 or later
- Microsoft Internet Explorer Version 5.5 or later

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