

Case study

Mai Tax Accounting Practice/Nakamura Certified Public Accountants' Office

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Motohiko Nakamura, Certified Public Accountant and Tax Accountant



The customer

The Mai Tax Accounting Practice and Nakamura Certified Public Accountants' Office headed by Motohiko Nakamura have between 40 and 50 corporate clients, including listed companies and public service corporations. The main service Mr. Nakamura provides to his clients is commercial advice in his role as both a tax accountant and certified public accountant. It is a high-level knowledge-based service dealing with delicate and highly confidential material.

"In addition to tax advice and filings, my recent work as a tax accountant has increasingly involved providing advice about how to ensure that capital investment is tax-advantaged. My certified public accountancy work includes auditing and providing analysis and advice on corporate restructurings or M&A."

In order to provide objective and forward-looking advice, these services often require the close reading of important documents held by the client, such as contracts and financial statements in the case of accounting advice.

The customer

Customer: Certified Public Accountant and Tax Accountant
Country: Japan
Industry: Financial services

The challenge

As both a certified public accountant and tax accountant, Motohiko Nakamura is mainly engaged in providing commercial advice to companies. In undertaking such work as advising on how to ensure that capital investment is tax-advantaged or providing analysis and advice on corporate restructurings or M&A, Mr. Nakamura needs to read a lot of documents held by clients.

The solution

The devices he uses for this purpose are the iX500 and the SV600. The SV600 can scan book-form documents that are double-leaved or bound and stamped and bound without damaging them.
He also uses the bundled CardMinder business card management software, choosing between the iX500 and the SV600 depending on the card size or format.

The benefits

- Less time and money spent copying documents at client premises
- Reduced risk of losing paper documents
- Simplified entry of addresses by storing business cards in database

Products and services

- ScanSnap iX500
- ScanSnap SV600

SV600 used to scan important book-form documents

Of the two ScanSnap devices installed at his Saitama City office (an iX500 and SV600), it is the SV600 that is primarily used for this purpose. Mr. Nakamura takes the SV600 with him to client premises in a dedicated carrying bag to scan documents that are not allowed to be taken off-site so that he can take the data back to his office for analysis.

"Many documents, especially contracts, are in book-form. With the SV600, I can scan these on the spot, in book-form and in color. This is a huge advantage because I prefer not to have to ask the client to make color copies for me. Naturally, the scanned data needs to be kept highly secure, and I take a lot of care to ensure this."

Both ScanSnap devices used as needed to scan business cards

Mr. Nakamura also uses ScanSnap to manage business cards.

"While I use the iX500 for scanning ordinary business cards all at once, I select the SV600 for the irregular-sized and three-fold business cards, which have become more popular recently yet require more care. I use the CardMinder business card management software that comes with ScanSnap."

As CardMinder converts the card image to text and stores it in a database, Mr. Nakamura hopes to use the data to compile client lists, or in correspondence software to print the addresses on the New Year's cards he sends out every year.

Using ScanSnap with other software as needed on a case-by-case basis is providing a major boost to the productivity of Mr. Nakamura's work. It can also be expected to increase the importance of his role in the business strategies of his clients.



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