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Once you set up Quick Bid with your materials and pricing, the calculations are done for you. Since its initial release almost 20 years ago, Quick Bid has helped thousands of estimators create bids more accurately and faster than could ever be practical with pencil and calculator.

#### REVOLUTIONIZING TAKEOFF

While Quick Bid helped estimators create accurate bids, they still had to use paper plans to perform takeoffs. To perform takeoffs in the traditional manner, estimators often use a set of colored pencils and paper plans. Going from page to page trying to remember what each color means can be a tiresome affair. To alleviate the need for paper plans, in 1995 On Center Software introduced On-Screen Takeoff. The state-of-the-art technology behind On-Screen Takeoff allows estimators to perform takeoffs on their computer screens without paper plans. For those estimators more comfortable with paper plans, however, On-Screen Takeoff includes digitizer functionality. With On-Screen Takeoff, estimators can calculate linear, area, and volume measurements and quantify individual condition objects directly on the computer screen. In addition, estimators are able to navigate through drawings, zoom in and out on any area, and print. Most estimators can begin using On-Screen Takeoff in less than an hour. On Center Software's revolutionary concept has made creating takeoffs an easy and practical computer operation, making On-Screen Takeoff the most advanced digital takeoff tool on the market today.

#### INSTANT COST TRACKING

On Center Software continues to develop innovative solutions for the construction industry. On Center Software's latest solution, Digital Production Control is now available for general release. Digital Production Control will give project and job site managers the ability to track labor costs at the source. By integrating the takeoff and estimating processes, this powerful program digitally tracks labor production and payroll directly from the field to the project manager's office. With this dynamic tool, you will know if your project is winning or losing the budget war, allowing you to adjust production when and where it is needed.

#### SEAMLESS INTEGRATION

With advances in computer technology increasing at an exponential rate, ensuring application cohesion is a primary concern for On Center Software's developers. The hallmark of the On Center ProfitBuilding Suite is the interactive capabilities built into its individual programs. Takeoff and bid information can be synchronized among On-Screen Takeoff and Quick Bid, ensuring that any changes made in one program will be updated in the other. Digital Production Control uses information created in On-Screen Takeoff and Quick Bid to track real-time labor production for field-to-office integration. This seamless process makes the ProfitBuilding Suite one of the most powerful software applications in the industry.



## On Center Software/Construction Technology

On Center Software is a construction industry software provider with headquarters a short distance from Houston in The Woodlands, Texas. Founded in 1988 by construction industry professionals, On Center Software's driving goal is to help customers increase bid-win rates through the use of fast and accurate takeoff and bidding software. As industry professionals, they understand that creating accurate takeoffs and bids as easily and quickly as possible can save time and money and increase bid wins. On Center's ProfitBuilding™ Suite of software frees estimators from the tedious task of creating takeoffs on paper plans and trying to calculate accurate results for complicated figures with a calculator. As an industry leader, On Center's Quick Bid and On-Screen Takeoff® applications are in use by estimators in the United States, Canada, and around the world.

#### FASTER, MORE ACCURATE ESTIMATING

On Center's first entry into the construction software market came with its Quick Bid estimating application in 1988. Quick Bid was born out of both necessity and exasperation. For most, in order to create a more accurate roofing bid, you must price using production rates. This requires a considerable amount of accurate calculations. Also, to get a bid total, traditional bidding requires a pencil and a calculator to count materials and assign pricing. In a perfect world, the estimator can complete this task without any distractions or interruptions. Yet, the fast-paced environment of the construction industry makes working without interruptions almost impossible, so Quick Bid does the calculating for you.

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Advanced Takeoff Software



**WITH QUICK BID YOU CAN INCREASE ACCURACY AND PROFITS**

- **Minimize** data-entry **mistakes**
- **Reduce** calculation **errors**
- Avoid bidding too low or too high
- Quickly **fine-tune labor production**
- **Analyze labor productivity** within a condition
- Easily check bid **production rates** for difficulty
- Quickly **check ratios** of material to labor
- **Know the cost** of the job before submitting it
- Prioritize conditions by cost to see where money is on the job
- Review bids in a timely and consistent manner
- **Know the impact of changes** on affected areas
- Check the job duration outline in the contract against man-days in the estimate
- Evaluate **detailed cost information**
- **Break down labor** by crew, unit, price, lump sum price, production, or man-days
- Analyze material, labor rates, change orders, and alternates
- Easily review and adjust production or unit cost values

**REDUCE THE TIME YOU SPEND IN THE BID PROCESS**

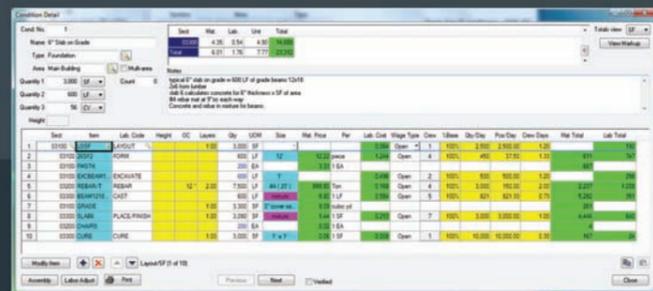
- **Quickly review**, adjust, and recalculate **labor**
- Automatically calculate material
- Easily **update price** quotes
- Instantly **generate materials lists**
- Provide **consistent pricing** on similar conditions
- Quickly recalculate last-minute addendum changes
- **Minimize time** for change orders and alternates
- Access a **library of assemblies** that store condition-specific material information and labor production with a click of a button

**INCREASE THE EFFICIENCY OF YOUR ENTIRE BIDDING PROCESS**

- Efficiently **manage materials** to be sent to the job site
- Quickly **analyze** material and labor project costs by **cost codes** and/or CSI sections
- Easily **evaluate** job payroll budget by **pay class**
- Provide detailed material and labor reports for your field personnel
- **Generate reports** that break down stocking material by areas and/or CSI sections
- Generate detailed paper and electronic reports for **cost accounting**
- **Price change orders** as they occur, separate from bid pricing
- **Analyze production rates** for change orders vs. base bid
- Quickly **identify** labor aspects of the bid that are exposed to a **high risk**
- Easily verify and check the bid with **an audit trail** of estimated items

**USING THE NEW MATERIAL EQUOTE**

- Send and receive request for proposals to and from vendors, then select the best quote to use in your bid.



**INCREASE ACCURACY:**

- View **color-coded drawings** to identify conditions and their quantities.
- Takeoff the typical area one time, and by design, extend the quantities to all the appropriate individual areas with the **typical groups feature**.
- Complete your takeoff and **make area assignments** or phase adjustments after you are done without re-taking off the project.
- Save multiple hours of exhausting plan review with the **overlay feature**. When comparing two versions of a drawing, deleted items are in red and added items are in blue.

**REDUCE RISK:**

- Eliminate manually summarizing takeoff. Benefit from **conditions** itemized by area and **totaled automatically**, with filtering capabilities.
- Open details, sections, and elevation with the **secondary view**, and see a floor plan simultaneously.
- Use the layers feature when completing a takeoff of multiple divisions of work to **visibly turn conditions on or off the plan image** while concentrating on certain scopes of work.
- **Increase communication** efficiency by copying and pasting plans with takeoff, notes, and annotations to submit as an RFI.

**COUNTING MADE EASY WITH AUTO COUNT**

- Select any symbol or object on a scanned or electronic plan image and On-Screen Takeoff will automatically find and count the repetitive symbols within the plan

**USING PROJECT EXPRESS**

- Easily send large sets of project files, and save time by sending files directly out of On-Screen Takeoff without the need of e-mail.

**BID MORE IN LESS TIME:**

- Eliminate an **entire manual takeoff process**. As you highlight marked images, precise quantities are automatically measured. "If it's colored, it's counted."
- **Instantly calculate** up to three different quantities per condition, chosen from multiple formulas.
- Streamline project setup by creating **typical takeoff conditions** called styles. Combine styles into sets to quickly drop-in multiple conditions to your bid.
- Produce bids in Quick Bid with the On-Screen Takeoff interactive link to increase your productivity and **eliminate manual entry** errors while instantly pricing your bid as you complete your takeoff.
- Create an **export** link directly with your **Microsoft Excel** templates through On-Screen Takeoff.

