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Helping Builders Collaborate More Effectively

With suppliers, customers, engineers, managers, and subcontractors all involved in the same project, effective collaboration is essential in the construction industry. That's why **Sage Project Lifecycle Management** may be an important technology for your business. This new web-based project management platform simplifies workflow and communications by making all project-related information and documents available online in a secure, centralized location. Let's take a closer look at this important new tool.

What is it?

Sage Project Lifecycle Management acts as a central hub for all project information. Because the information is centralized and accessed online, you'll eliminate isolated silos of data (for instance, on a laptop or printed document stuffed in a briefcase) that can result in costly delays or mistakes. All project information is readily available to every authorized team member 24 x 7 - from the earliest concepts and specifications of a project, through detailed design, pre-fabrication, construction maintenance, and operation and improvement.

Team members can view, update, mark-up, and comment on drawings and documents, manage business processes, and receive email alerts regarding new information or requests.

Better Information Exchange and Workflow

With all project schedules, specifications, drawings, and contractual information in one place, your team can exchange and update information effortlessly through every phase of a project. Comments and online discussions can be logged and available for all team members to review and participate, thus improving communication and collaboration. With a faster and more accurate flow of information that's documented online, potential problems can be identified earlier and resolved more quickly. Plus, changes in design information automatically generate entries into a change order log that allows users to track instructions required and received, along with related cost implications.

Role-Based Security

Team members are assigned a login which presents a unique home page that highlights any information that's unique to his/her role and responsibilities. A comprehensive menu also provides (or limits) access to historical data and documents that you are permitted to view. All information access is logged, providing a complete audit trail of who did what, when it was done, and which documents were involved. So you can rest assured that all your sensitive data is securely protected.

Click to download a copy of the [Sage Project Lifecycle Management Brochure](#) to learn more about this important new collaboration tool or [contact us](#) with your questions.



Sage Project Lifecycle Management acts as a central hub of information, providing full visibility of your entire project cycle.



Authorized Partner



Development Partner

A Closer Look at Estimating

In a highly competitive and challenging environment, a reliable cost estimate is critical in successfully bidding on and winning new projects. A truly accurate and flexible cost estimating tool allows you present multiple options, track and adjust for variances during the project, and finish the job with a healthy profit and satisfied customer. Let's take a look at how Sage Timberline Estimating can help you track all costs, eliminate the guesswork, and win more business.

Sage Timberline Office Estimating

Sage Timberline Office Estimating lays the foundation for an estimating process that's more structured and accurate than most paper-based or generic spreadsheet methods. A wizard-driven set up walks you through the process of creating your custom estimating database. Plus, it's easy to learn with an online help system that offers step-by-step instructions for many of the most common estimating tasks - a great tool for getting new estimators up and running quickly.

Flexible, Interactive Spreadsheets

With estimating spreadsheets, you can open and compare several estimates at once and even drag items from one spreadsheet into another. You can also view work by location, by division or item, takeoff order, assembly, bid item or other user-defined Work Breakdown Structure (WBS) code. It all means that you can create, manage, and generate more estimates in less time - and more bids can mean more business!

Your Estimate Process Will Really TAKEOFF

Sage Timberline Estimating Standard provides several options for handling takeoffs including:

Quick Takeoff - Simply drag one or more items from the database directly into the spreadsheet on the screen. Enter dimensions and the software automatically calculates all quantities for you.

Item takeoff—If you want to work with database items before they go into your estimate, you can drag them into the item takeoff window. When you're ready, just click a button to add them to your spreadsheet.

Smart Assemblies takeoff—To save time, you can take off all the items of a wall, door, or other building component in just one step. Estimating databases include a variety of common assemblies that you can modify. Or you can build your own.

The Numbers Are Looking Good

Now that your numbers are solid, you'll want to impress your prospective customers with professional-looking reports that are easy to read and understand. That's exactly what you get with the presentation-quality reports that come standard with Sage Timberline Office Estimating.

Many Businesses, Many Flavors of Estimating

Each construction business has unique estimating processes with a variety of items, formulas and assemblies. That's why Sage Timberline Estimating offers a variety of features and modules to suit your needs from basic tools for getting started to advanced tools for complex estimates.

[Contact Us](#) to learn more about the options available.

NEED A REFRESHER?

Sage offers **Anytime Learning** sessions that are recordings of instructor-led presentations. These 5 to 20 minute sessions are available online and are a fantastic way to get new users up and running quickly or as a refresher to revisit skills you haven't used in a while. A couple of sample courses include year-end procedures and a review of changes in Version 9.5 & 9.6. [Click here](#) to go online and learn more.

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