

Sage Construction and Real Estate Solutions

Residential Knowledgebase

Residential Knowledgebase contains pre-built models and comprehensive Smart Assemblies backed by industry-leading RSMMeans (MasterFormat 2004 Edition) cost data.

Developed for use exclusively with Estimating, an application for Sage Timberline Office and Sage Master Builder, nothing compares to the way it allows contractors to prepare conceptual estimates and even detailed estimates immediately upon loading the software.

Eliminating the often tedious and time-consuming process of individual item takeoff, the built-in intelligence prompts you for only the data needed to calculate quantities and costs for a given assembly, such as a wall, or a model for an entire home, or multi-family structure. You simply respond to a list of questions and all the construction details and/or unit costs are immediately available for your review, giving you the ability to quickly perform calculations for a variety of options.

Builders can use this tool for generating new models or options they are considering, or sit down with possible home buyers to walk through the model questions step by step to see the cost impact for different options.

First of Its Kind

With content built on RSMMeans cost data, the Residential Knowledgebase sets new standards for simplicity, flexibility, and speed when producing new estimates. The software contains a comprehensive list of intelligent assemblies and a number of full-blown pre-built models, including Sitework, Residential "Warm Shell," Interior Finish Package, Landscape, and more.

The Logic to Prepare Estimates or Budgets in Minutes

The Residential Knowledgebase builds on the current capabilities of Estimating. The process required to generate estimates or budgets is as easy as "filling in the blanks." Thanks to Estimating's built-in intelligence, the information you are required to enter is modified as you step through the process based on previous entries. That is, as you provide input about your project, the software logic updates the information it is requesting on-the-fly in response to previous answers given. The time-savings are substantial. Conceptual and detailed budgets can be generated in a matter of minutes.

Take Off Like Never Before

Take off individual construction systems, such as a footing, wall, or all the components of an entire home. Every budget you create is backed by extensive pricing detail allowing you to work through a number of options faster and more accurately than ever before.

Jumpstart Your Project Schedules

Why build a project schedule from scratch when there's so much detail already in your estimate? Automating the process couldn't be simpler when you leverage the task and activities from within the Residential Knowledgebase and easily integrate with scheduling packages such as Primavera or Microsoft Project. Project success depends on your ability to plan ahead, so doesn't it make sense to spend less time keying in hundreds or thousands of tasks and more time ensuring a profitable (and on-time) project?

BENEFITS

- Eliminate the time-consuming process of individual item takeoff
- Generate conceptual and detailed budgets in a matter of minutes versus the hours or days it's currently taking you
- Leverage the task and activities from within the Residential Knowledgebase to jumpstart project schedules

Features

- Residential Knowledgebase comes preloaded with RSMeans pricing for more than 700 cities.
- Residential Knowledgebase offers a variety of pricing options such as hourly, crew, and unit price.

Statistics

With an impressive amount of pre-built data available, many contractors are able to begin estimate development with a minimal amount of database work. Residential Knowledgebase includes the following:

- Items—947
- Assemblies—63
- Models—29
- Formulas—1008

Residential Knowledgebase is part of the Sage Construction and Real Estate family of fully integrated software created to streamline work and connect the people you depend on to build your business.