

## PREPARATION OF BILL OF QUANTITIES

USING COMPUTER METHODS

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1. The Bill of Quantities theory.

Some theory about types of bill of quantities, methods of taking off, purposes of bill of quantities and the format of bill of quantities.

2. Taking off measurements.

As to be able to do the bill of quantities you have to take some measurements from your drawings about quantities, taking off measurements.

3-4 Abstracting and billing using computer.

After taking off measurements were completed then you have to give the taking off quantities to the computer as to do the abstracting and then the billing.

5-6 Abstracting and billing manually.

Some job (abstracting & billing) was done manually as to see the differences of doing the abstracting and billing manually and by using computer.

7. Conclusions.

Conclusions come out of my work a bill of quantities using computer.

8. Drawings

The drawings have been used for taking off measurements.

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## THE BILL OF QUANTITIES

#### INTRODUCTION

#### DEFINITION

Bill of quantities is the means where by the majority of building work is described and measured.

It sets out the various items of work in a recognised manner and in a logical sequence.

### TYPES OF BILLS OF QUANTITIES

There are two main types of Bills of Quantities:

- 1.1. Trade bills.
- 1.2. Elemental bills.

## 1.1. TRADE BILLS

Trade bills are divides in sections in accordance with the various trades as listed in the Standard Methods of Measurement (SMM).

A typical division of a "trade" bill for quantities would be:

- 1. Preliminaries
- 2. Excavation and earthwork
- 3. Concrete Work
- 4. Brickwork and blockwork
- 5. Roofing
- 6. Woodwork
- 7. Plumbing installations
- 8. Floor, wall and ceiling finishing
- 9. Glazing
- 10. Painting and decorating
- 11. Drainage
- 12. Prime cost and provisional sums.