

# Version 10 Interface Guide



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# **Welcome to the Version 10 Interface Guide**



# 1. Introduction

This guide describes how to import and export data to and from the V10 Optimising and Production software. It gives the details for interfacing with the program and extracting data from the system



# What does V10 do?

V10 is a comprehensive software package that covers most aspects of optimisation and production for the Furniture, Woodworking, and other Sheet processing industries. It is Windows software which runs on most computers. It provides all the information to keep control of costs, cut down errors, and cut material efficiently and effectively.

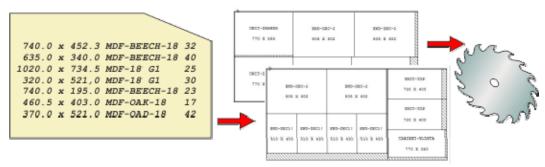
V10 deals with a variety of products.

- Kitchen cabinets
- · Office furniture
- Shop fittings
- Doors
- Plastic fabrications
- Caravans
- Bathrooms
- Vanity Units

Enter or import part sizes and quantities and let the pro gram create a set of cutting patterns and cutting instructions. From the cutting patterns send information directly to the saw or machining centre to cut each pattern and machine each part.

The program works in Millimetres, Decimal Inches, or Fractional (Imperial) inches. Part lists can be entered in any measurement and converted.

#### The basic steps are:-



- Create or Import a list of part sizes
- Optimise
- Review cutting patterns
- Send cutting data to the saw

# Why do I need this Interface guide?

This guide is NOT required for everyday operation

Use this guide to integrate the Optimising program with other computer operations. Some typical situations are listed below.

**Import parts lists or product requirements lists** - part lists or lists of product requirements may be stored on another database / system and need to be transferred to the Optimising software ready for optimisation.

**Export results for further analysis -** export the summary results of each optimisation to another database or spread sheet for further analysis.

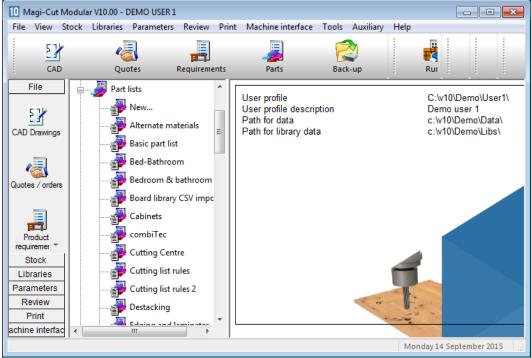
**Stand alone operation** - run a sub-set of the Optimising software. For example, one customer enters lists of parts to be cut at remote sites using a text editor and transfers the results to a central location to be optimised.

**Interfacing with special machinery-** to export data in a special format so that it can be used by other machinery. e.g. specialist loading or destacking equipment.

Interfacing with saws and machine centres not covered by the software - the Optimising software covers a wide range of saws and machining centres but it may be necessary to do extra work to link to specialist machines or machines not covered by the standard software.

## 1.1 Overview of the program

Start at the main screen, this is the command centre of the system. Access all the options from here.



Main screen

The program name is shown at the top of the screen. There are different names in some countries, for example, Cut-Rite, Magi-Cut, Schnitt-Profi(t) ...

At the left is a tree showing the various options and existing data. Click on an item in the tree to see the files in a category. There are also traditional menus and buttons to access all the options.

# Part lists

A part list is a list of all the part sizes and quantities required for cutting. This might be for a single order or for several different jobs.

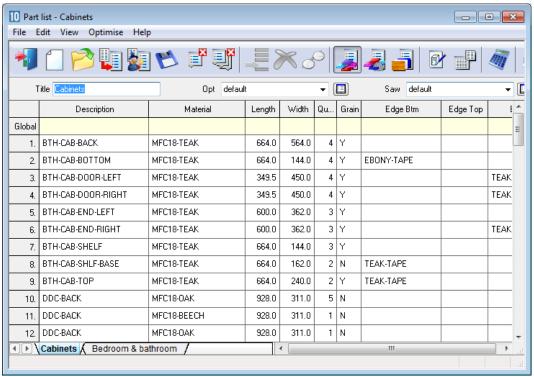
Select a part list by opening the Part list branch of the file tree and double clicking on a part list.

The program may prompt: 'Patterns exist - significant changes will delete patterns' - this happens because in the demo data (installed with the system) many of the part lists are already optimised.

It is Ok to ignore this message as the next step is to optimise the part list and re-create the patterns.

The program moves on to the Part list editor screen. This is a spread sheet like grid listing part sizes and quantities and other information about each part type.

The part list contents are displayed.



Part list

More than one list can be open.

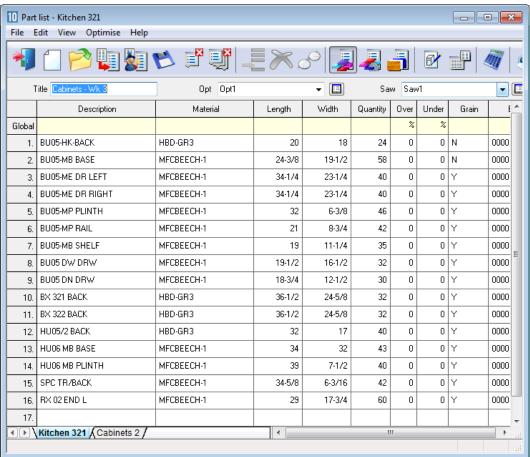
- Review and/or enter the required part list items. The basic information is:-

Description (or code)
Material code
Length
Width
Quantity

At the right of the part list screen there are several other columns - most of these are custom columns which can be used for all the extra data for parts, for example, edging, text for a part label, a tracking number ...

**MATERIAL CODE:** This is important because it determines the material for a part. The program uses this to extract candidate boards from the board library and create a board list. The board list is simply the list of available board sizes and quantities for the job.

The program also supports fractional inches and decimal inches.

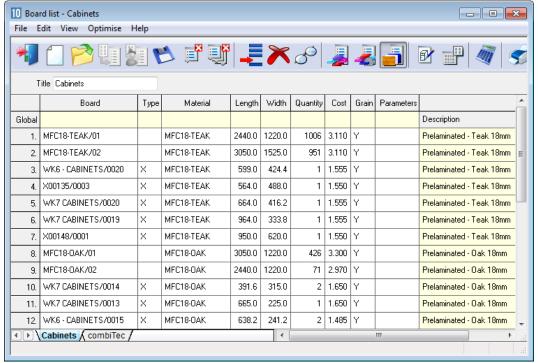


Part list - fractional inches

#### **Board list**



Click on the toolbar symbol to view the Board list



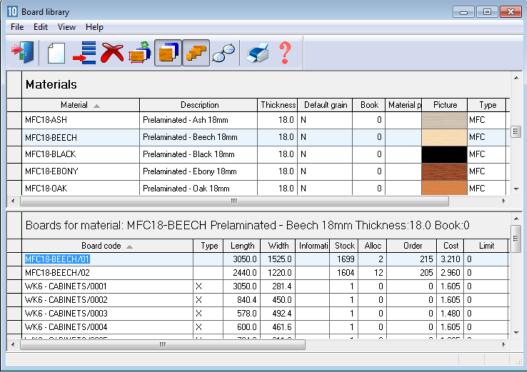
Board list

The Board list is created by the program extracting from the Board library all board sizes (and offcuts if any) matching the material codes used in the Part list against each part.

Board can include full size stock boards and offcuts from previous runs (marked with a type of 'X'.

#### **Board library**

The board library stores the details and quantities of all the sheet material (a library is provided in the demo data).



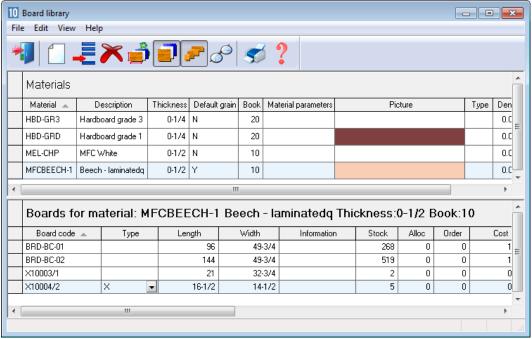
Board library

In this example there are two board sizes available for material MFC18-BEECH and several offcuts.

The board library can include extra information for each sheet size, for example, cost, how to deal with low stock levels, storage ...

*Note* - There are a wide range of materials from different suppliers so before using the program for real - an important task is to set up the board library for the materials typically available for the company.

The Board library also supports decimal and fractional inches.



Board library - fractional inches

#### **Optimise**

Once the Part list and Board list are created the job is ready to be optimised.

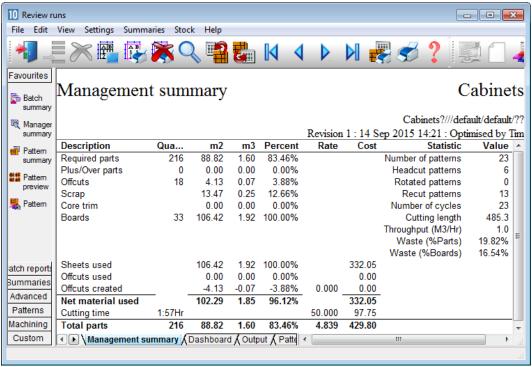
At the Part list screen (or at the Board list screen):-



Select the optimise symbol

The program produces a set of cutting patterns and moves to the 'Review runs' section of the program. This shows all cutting patterns and a set of summary reports.

The first report shown is an overall summary of the job; the Management Summary.

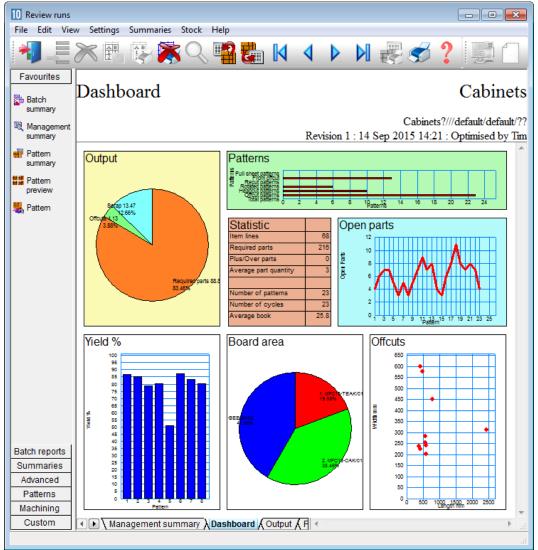


Management summary

This is an overall summary of the job, for example. Total costs, Overall Waste percentage, Net material used ...

Use the Navigation buttons or 'Summaries' menu option to view other reports.

At the foot of the report are a set of tabs with more information. For example, the 'Dashboard' gives a graphical view of the data.

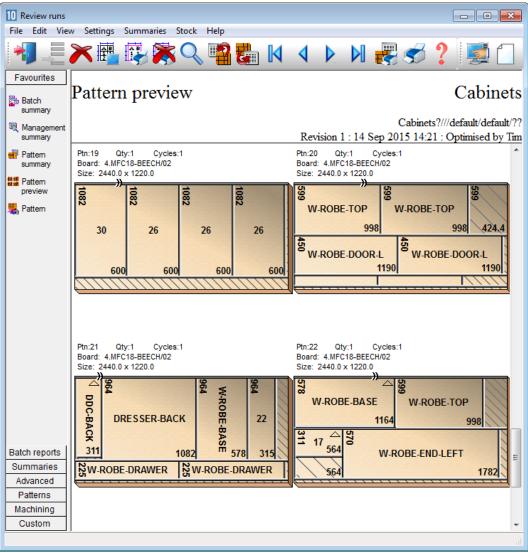


Dashboard

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The individual cutting patterns are viewed via the 'Pattern preview' option.

#### ### Pattern preview



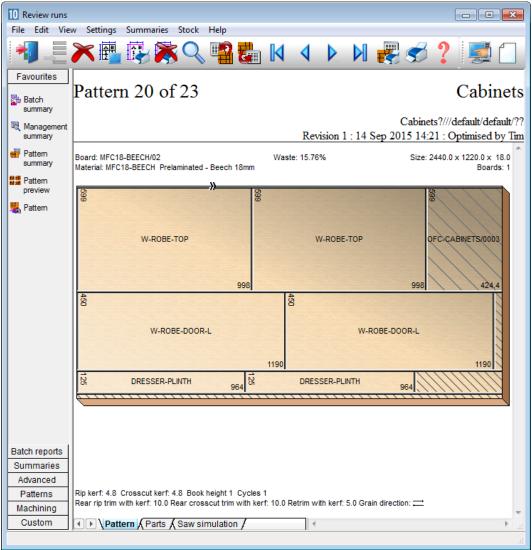
Pattern preview

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Use the navigation buttons or the Summaries menu to move between patterns and other summaries.

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Double click on a thumbnail to view the pattern full screen.

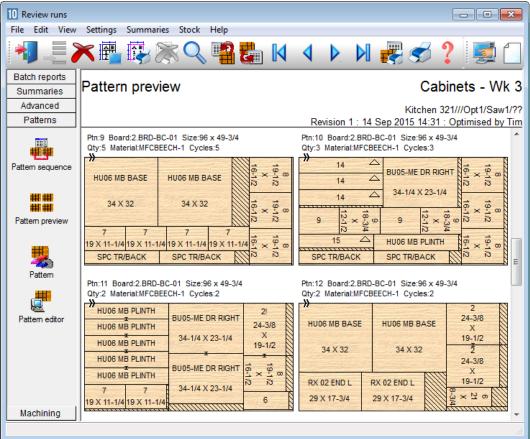


Pattern

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The tabs at the foot of the report show more details, for example, a full list of the parts produced by the pattern. The cuts, waste, offcuts and part information are shown for each pattern.

The program also supports decimal and fractional inches.



Patterns - fractional inches

In this example the display is set to use 'Flat pictures'.

## Transfer to Saw or Machining centre

After Optimisation the patterns (cutting instructions) are transferred to the Saw or Machining centre.



The program supports a wide range of saw controllers:-

Cadmatic (all types)
Compumatic
Topmatic
Homag Sawtech (CHxx, NPS400, Ilenia)
Table saws
Online PC
Various other controllers
Printed patterns and cutting instructions for manual saws

## Some of the Machining centre transfer options are:-

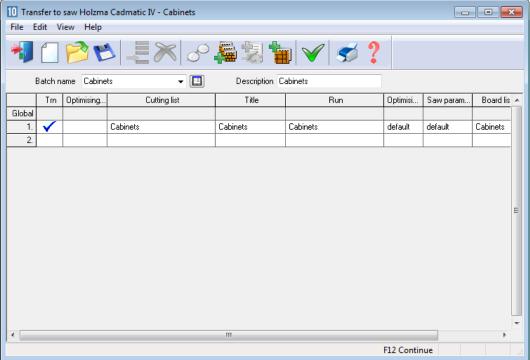
2D DXF non-layered (DXF)
Busellato Autolink (DXF)
Weeke WoodWop V2.5 (MPR)
2D DXF layered (DXF)
Biesse RoverCAD (CID)
Morbidelli Aspan V3.2 (ASC)
Morbidelli Aspan V4.0 (ASC)
3D DXF layered (DXF)
Weeke WoodWop V4/V5/V6/V7 (MPR(X))
2D DXF nested layered (DXF)
2D DXF Biesse layered (DXF)
ASCII/Unicode (PTX)
MDB (PTX)

At the main screen select the Saw transfer or Machining Interface option.



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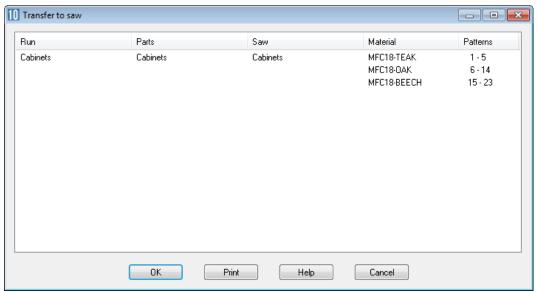
For Saw transfer, for example, the program prompts with the current job.



Transfer to saw batch screen



The program displays the data to transfer.



Transfer to Saw

#### - OK to confirm

The transfer is finished.

*Note* - For practical use the saw transfer and machining transfer need to be set up for the company's machines. There are parameters for this and a wide range of options are available.

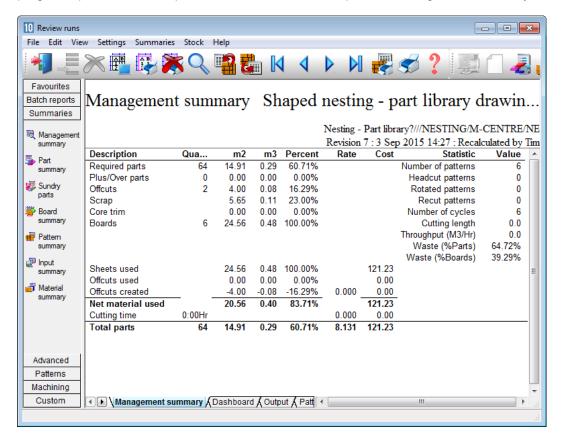
Typically the saw or machining centre transfer sends data to a location on the Network (Path for Saw data) and a separate program provided by the machinery manufacturer runs and sends the data to the machine.

## 1.2 Nested Optimising

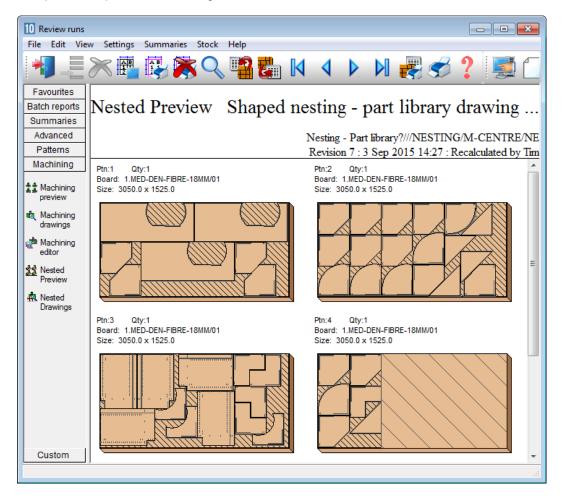
The program also provides Nested optimising - in this case the transfer is usually to a Machine centre to both divide the patterns and machine the parts.

The Nested optimiser deals with Rectangular and Shaped parts.

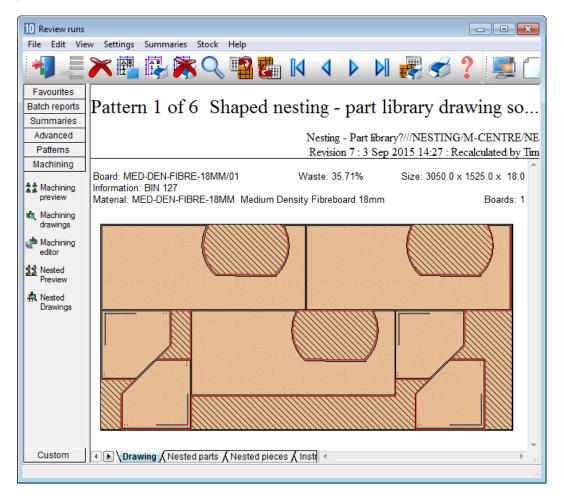
Import and Export operate in the same way for Optimising and Nested Optimising and the program operations and reports are the same, for example, the Management summary.



The runs are typically based on rectangular and shaped parts and are usually for smaller run quantities, processed one high.

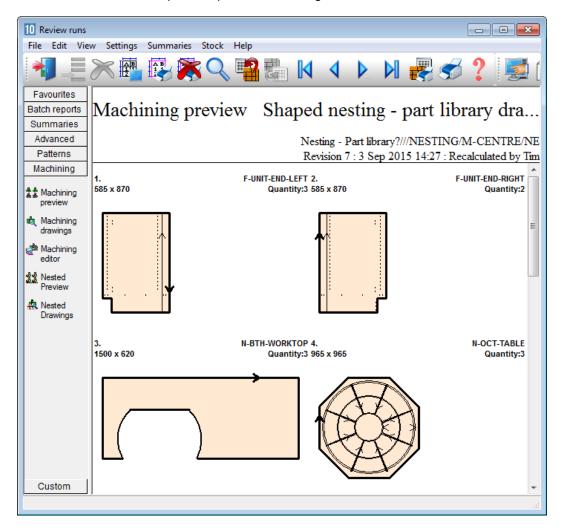


The pattern contains the cutting instructions for the pattern and the machining for each part.



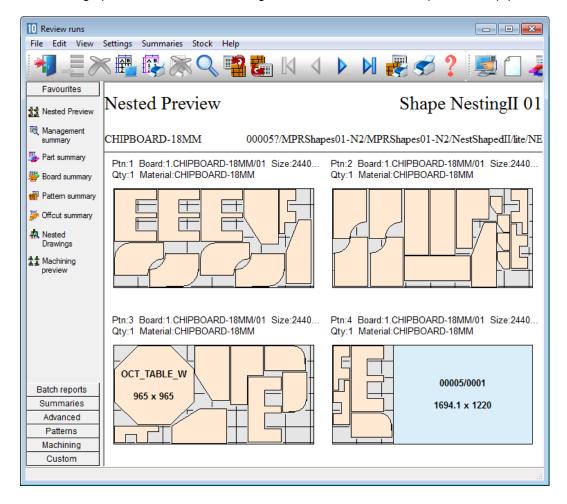
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Patterns can include complex shapes and mchining.

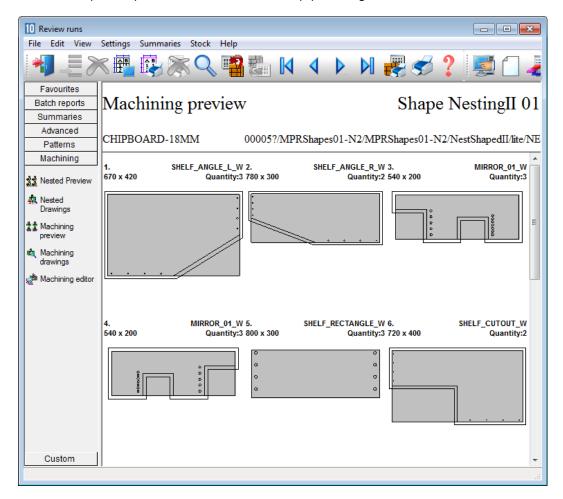


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The nesting option can be used and integrated with Weeke WoodWop and MPR(X) files.



In this example the patterns are based on MPR(X) drawings.



Note - When dealing with MPR(X) parts import can be a bit tricky as it has to take account of the variables in the MPR(X) files.

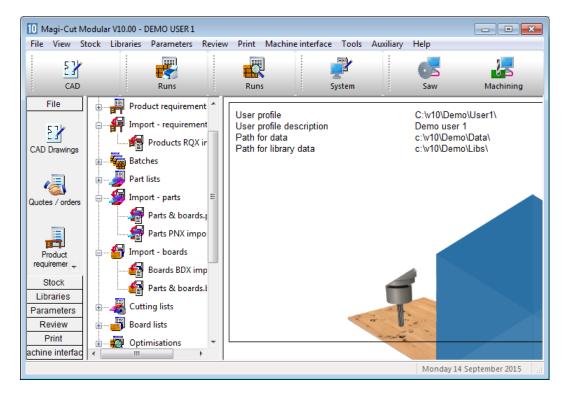
# 2. Import data

These days it is common for programs to interact with other files and systems. For example, part lists or product requirements may be created by a separate Sales order system; Boards may need to be imported from a stock control database.

Several different types of data can be imported.

Import parts
Import product requirements
Import boards
Import patterns (including parts and boards)
Import Quotes and Orders

These options are also available on the File Toolbar. Data can also be directly imported to a Part list.



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Import options

Most common is to import parts lists created by another system, for example, an order or sales system.

When working with products it is quite likely the product requirements are generated by an external sales system.

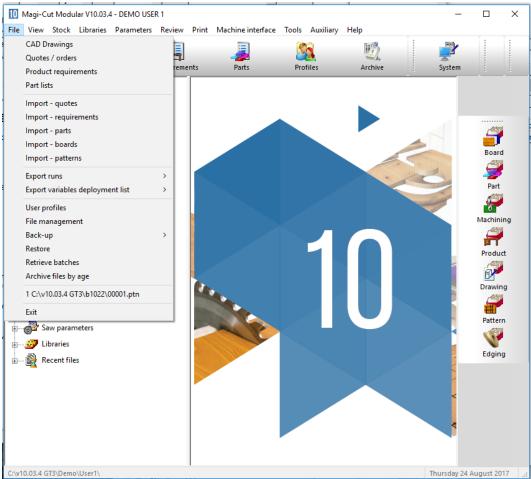
For boards is it sometimes necessary to import boards to the board library (the Stock control module is required for this). The system can also be set up to synchronise with external board databases e.g. Bargstedt SQL.

Sometimes users with one-off jobs with special board sizes prefer to import the board list rather than add those items to the board library.

# 2.1 Import parts

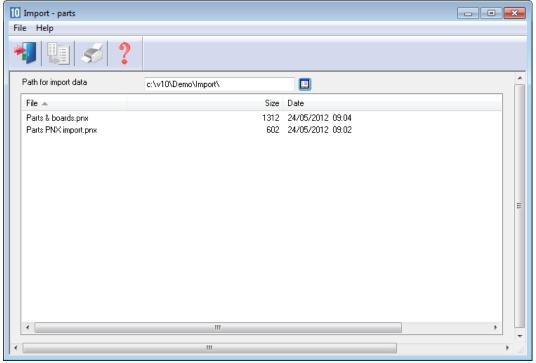
## **Import parts - operation**

Part lists can be quickly imported. At the main menu there are direct options on the File menu.



Import parts

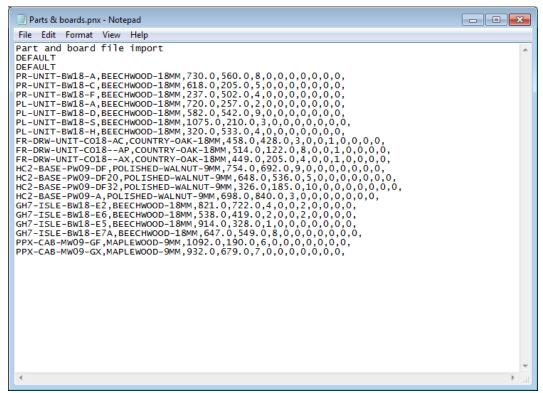
The program moves to the Import screen.



Import parts

- Select a file to import

In this example the import format is the program's format (named PNX; a 'comma separated values (CSV)' file with the fields in a fixed order.

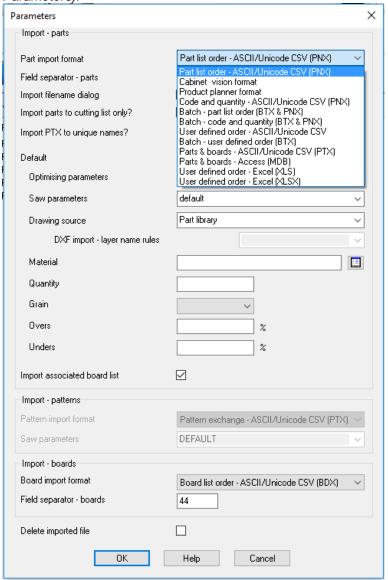


Import file format

For importing parts there are two basic settings to consider.

- Set the System parameter: *Path for import data* to specify where the files to import are located.
- Set the 'Import parameters' to describe the import format and other features of the import.

The import parameters are accessed from the Import dialog (File - Import parts - File - Parameters).



Import parameters

One of the simplest options is: Part list order - ASCII/Unicode CSV (PNX)

The standard format is PNX but there are several other formats to choose from. Some are more complex imports where part and board sizes can be imported in one go or a batch of part lists can be imported, for example, 'Batch, part list order'. The options are:-

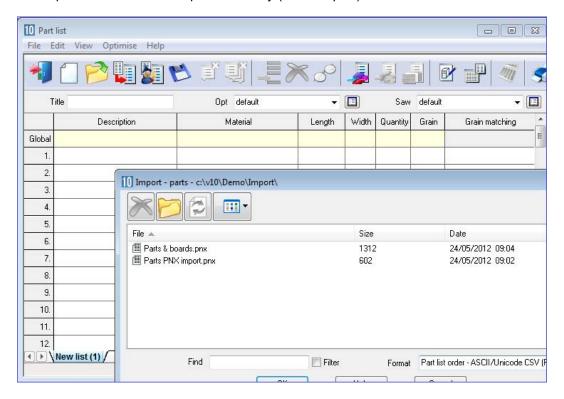
Part list order – ASCII/Unicode CSV (PNX)
Cabinet Vision format
Product Planner format
Code and quantity – ASCII/Unicode CSV (PNX)
Batch - part list order (BTX & PNX)
Batch - Code and quantity (BTX & PNX)
User defined order – ASCII/Unicode CSV
Batch - user defined order (BTX)
Parts & boards – ASCII/Unicode CSV (PTX)
Parts & boards - Access (MDB)
User defined order (XLS)
User defined order (XLS)

There are several other parameters to control the import of parts, for example, to set the separator character and to set whether the import files are deleted after import ...

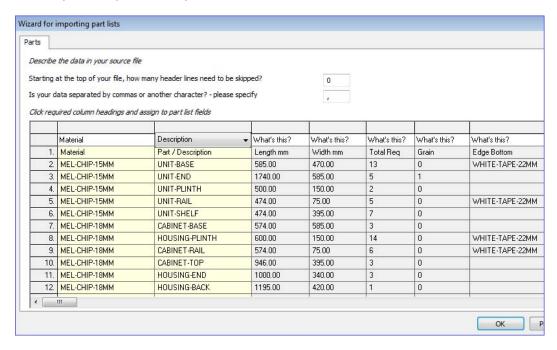
Custom import formats - It is also possible to use a custom format (user defined format). This can be useful where there is limited control over the format of the external file (see: Part list import parameters'). Once the format is set files can be quickly imported from the File tree at the main screen.

# Import data at the Part list

At the part list data can be imported directly (File - Import)

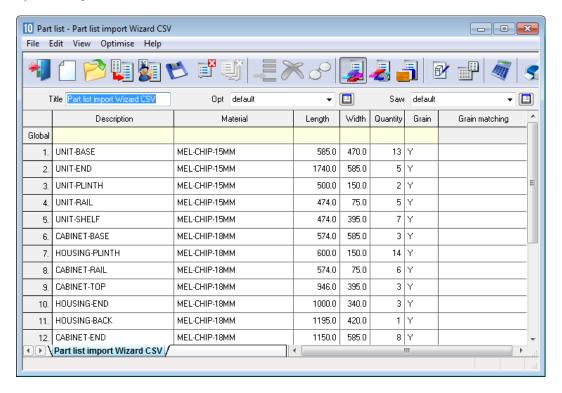


Where the format of the external file is not known or needs to be set up – use the Import Wizard (*File – Import Wizard*).



The program imports data from any CSV (comma separated values) files and Excel files.

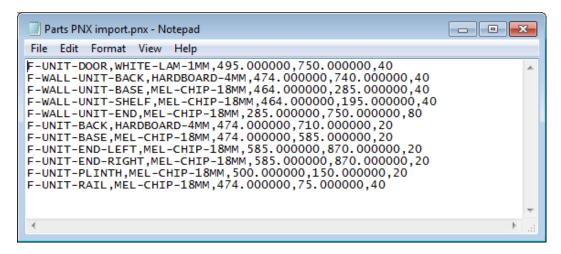
You can then work through the fields and assign them to the correct Part list fields name by selecting the field name on the 'What's this' button.



*Note* – you can also cut and paste directly from a spreadsheet to the part list – for example where the spreadsheet has data in the same order and format as the part list.

# Part list details

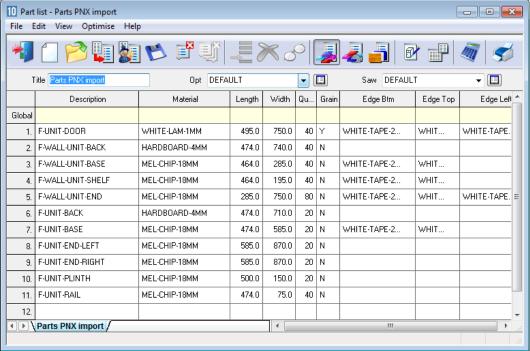
A part list is a list of part sizes and quantities to cut. 'Import parts' is the process of importing a list of sizes and quantities. The parts can then be optimised to produce cutting patterns. A simple import file:-



This is the basic data for a part: Part code, Material code, Length, Width, Quantity with the fields in the same order as displayed at the part list screen.

This format (called PNX) is automatically recognised by the Optimising software - use this format if possible. The import file extension is PNX e.g. JOB1.PNX

Part list screen after import of the above example:-



Imported part list

The import file can also contain up to three header lines which contain:-

- Title for part list
- · Name of optimising parameter list
- Name of saw parameter list

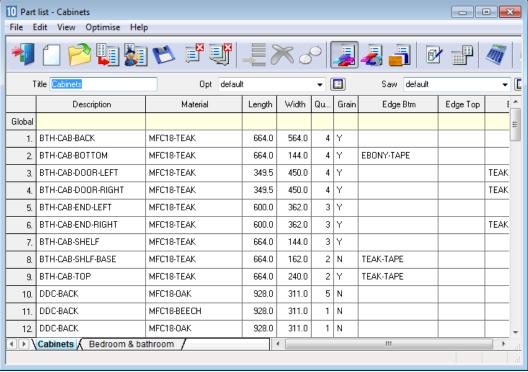
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WORK FOR WEEK 26
STD2
ANGULAR
WU05WD-WHITE-DOOR, WHITE-LAM-1MM, 495.0,750.0,40,,,Y
WU05HK-BACK, HARDBOARD-4MM, 474.0,740.0,40,,,N
WU05MB-BASE, MEL-CHIP-18MM, 464.0,285.0,40,,,N
```

Header lines - must not contain a separator (e.g. comma).

Title, optimising and saw parameter list names are imported from the import file.

# Part list data

A part list is essentially a list of part sizes, quantities and the material to use for each part.



Part list

The basic part list data is described below.

Part list title - a description for the part list. Use this to identify part lists - the title is shown on most screens and printed on most reports.

Optimising parameter list name - parameter list to use when optimising a part list. The optimising parameter list describes features such as the saw kerf, trims, and type of recuts to use when optimising.

Saw parameter list name - name of the saw parameter list to use when optimising a part list. Saw parameters describe the features of a saw, such as, overall cutting length, minimum trims, method of re-cutting etc.

Optimising and saw parameter names default - optimising and saw parameter names are automatically defaulted to the first entry in the list of parameters files if they are not otherwise specified.

Part description - a description or code for each part.

*Material* - a unique material code. For example, 15mm melamine faced chipboard could have a code like MFC15 or 3/4 inch particle board might be PB3/4. The materials are stored in the Board library. There is a material code against each part in the part list so that the program uses the correct boards for each part.

Part sizes - The part sizes are the Length and Width of the part. The length is usually the longest edge of the part and if the part is grained the length is the dimension running along the grain direction. The width is usually the shortest edge of the part but if the material is grained the width is the dimension running across the grain direction.

The order in which the length and width columns are displayed depends on the setting of the System parameter: *Order of dimensions for parts.* If possible keep the order of length and width fields in the import file the same as that set in the system parameters.

In the program the 'length' and 'width' are the dimensions set by the 'length' and 'width' fields regardless of the relative sizes of the dimensions.

Part quantity - quantity required

Over/under production - allowed under or over production of a part. If they are set for each part they represent the absolute number of over or under produced parts. If they are set in the global header line they represent the percentage of over or under produced parts for every part in the list.

Grain - parts - describes the grain of the part.

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Y - Grain runs along length X - Grain runs along width N - No grain
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In an import file the grain value is represented by a number '0' - no grain, '1' grain along length, '2' grain along width.

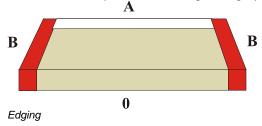
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Quick Edging field - This field stores the 'Quick Edging' codes for a part. These codes are a simple way of describing the edging requirements for a part where the edging is straightforward, for example, tape. A single code describes the edging on each edge, for example.

0 - No edging A - White tape 1mm B - Red tape 1mm

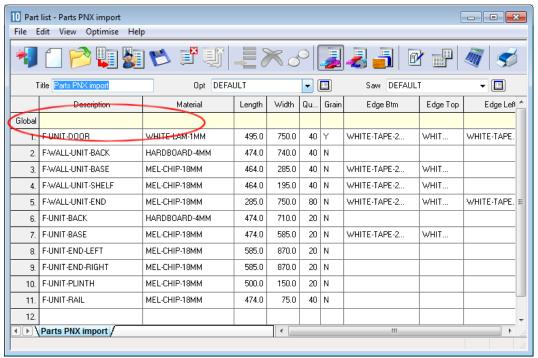
A0BB - (length-length width-width)

The order of edges follows the part list order. If part list order is Width-Length then edges are in the order (width-width length-length).



Global header line - part list - At the top of the part list screen is a header line labelled 'global'. If there is an entry in this line for a column this defines the value in that column for every part in the list.

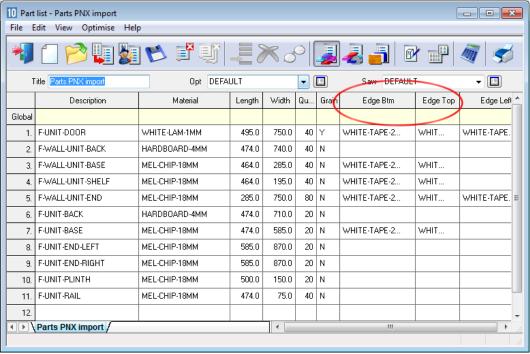
It is useful where a field is not used or has a constant value.



Part list - global line

# Information boxes - part list

As well as the standard data items such as part code, length, width there are many other useful pieces of information to record for each part, for example, machining data, storage instructions, colours, complex edging, and so on. This data varies for each customer - some use a lot some use none at all. The Optimising program provides extra user defined fields (called 'Information boxes') for each part.



Information boxes

This data can also be imported from a file. In the following example the PNX file includes data for the information boxes.

 $\texttt{F-UNIT-DOOR,WHITE-LAM-1MM,495.0,570.0,20,,,N,,,,,WHITE-TAPE-22MM,WHITE-TA$ 

# Pre-defined information

This is information that is already stored by the system or is created during optimisation.

User	Edging diagram
User Defined	Program - bottom edge
	Program - top edge
Part	Program - left edge
Part description	Program - right edge
Duplicate reference	
Colour names	Laminating
Part Number	Front laminate
Variable	Back laminate
Alternative materials	Front laminate description
Outfeed direction	Back laminate description
Optimising parameters	Material combination
Saw parameters	Core material code
	Core length and width
Part sizes	
Finished sizes	Product information
Finished length	Product information
Finished width	Product description
Second cut sizes	Order description
Minimum cut size	Product code
	Product width
Part requirements	Product height
Quantity of overs	Product depth
Pre-aggregated quantity	Product number in room
	Room / floor number
Edging	Product qty
Length edge bottom	Sub-assembly
Length edge top	
Width edge left	Destacking
Width edge right	Part layout
Length edge bottom description	Part orientation
Length edge top description	Stack height (pieces)
Width edge left description	Stack height (dim)
Width edge right description	Station number

Destacking	Nesting
Destack type	Step angle
Bottom layout	Mirrored

Dette ne meste niel	Do not place post on odge
Bottom material	Do not place part on edge
Top layout	MPR(X) path
Top material	Part library code
Length	Part ID
Width	Template router
Overhang/oversize (len)	Sequence smallest to largest
Overhang/oversize (wid)	Grain
Thickness	Grain matching
Baseboards per stack	Pattern for master part
Support type	Template picture file name
Support material	Tracking
Support thickness	Quote ID
Support length	Product req ID
Support width	Part list ID
Support layout	Cutting list ID
Use secondary station	Tracking number
Stacks per station	
	Other
Costing	Label quantity
Unit price	Bar code 1
Machine time	Bar code 2
Material cost	
Machining Drawing	
Drawing name import	
Drawing name transfer	
Transfer name - back	
Transfer name - horizontal	
Transfer name - common	
Machine before edging	
Picture filename	
Create file (unmachined parts)	
Stop position	

The information boxes can be set with pre-defined information or user defined information.

For example, to print a label for each part and make sure that the original product code is on the label - set the 'Product code' information box for the part list. When the part list is created from the product requirements the correct product code is automatically stored against each part.

This type of information is provided as customisable information boxes since the use of this information varies a lot between users and can be unique to each user. For example, a user entering only part lists would not have use for the Product code field.

Information boxes can also be set up for user defined (free format) information.

# **Import from custom file formats**

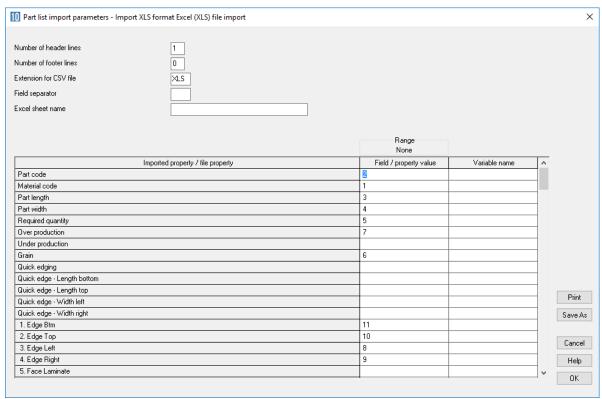
In some cases there is no control over the format of the import file or it is preferable to leave the format unchanged as the file is used elsewhere in the production process. In this case the format of the import file has to be set up in the Optimising program so it can be interpreted correctly by the import process.

To do this use the Part list import parameters (Main screen - Parameters - Part list import parameters).

(You can also import custom files directly to the part list – see above).

In this example the data is not in PNX format because the order of fields is: Part Code, Length, Width, Quantity, Material.

END/2,600.0,750.0,25,MFC15 TOP,1200.0,690.0,30,MDF18 PLINTH,1500.0,150.0,10,MDF18 Use the parameter values to describe this:-.



Part list import parameters

Each parameter is a field in the part list and the parameter value is the position of that field in the external ASCII file. There are two other parameters that need to be set.

Header lines - number of header lines to ignore

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In the above example the first three lines are not relevant to optimising and can be ignored by setting header lines to '3'. This parameter only applies to the user defined import types (options 6 and 7).

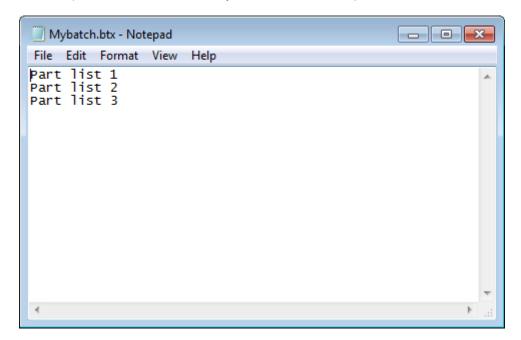
Extension for CSV file - set this to the file extension for the file, for example, CSV, ASC, TXT etc.

Field separator - enter an ASCII value for character defining each field e.g. '44' = comma

# **Import parts - batch of part lists**

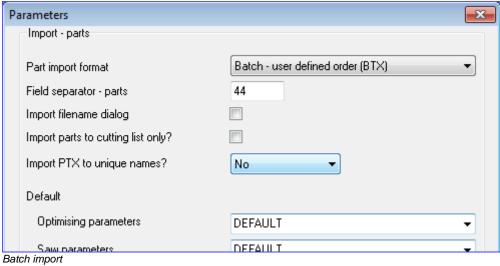
To do this create a batch file (BTX) containing the part list names as well as creating the part list import files. The part list import files can be in PNX format, PNX part code and quantity format, or a user defined format (the format options are set in the *Import parameters*).

In its simplest form the batch file is just a list of files to import.

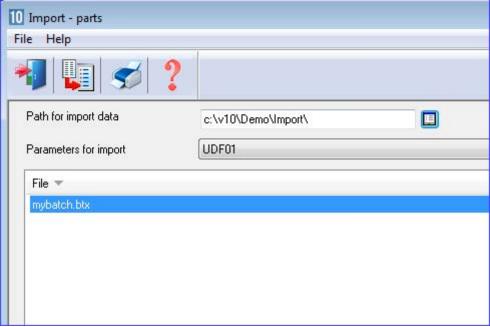


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Set the Import format to a batch setting.



Move to the Import dialog. The files offered are now Batch (btx) files.



Import dialog - batches

- Select a batch file and select the import button

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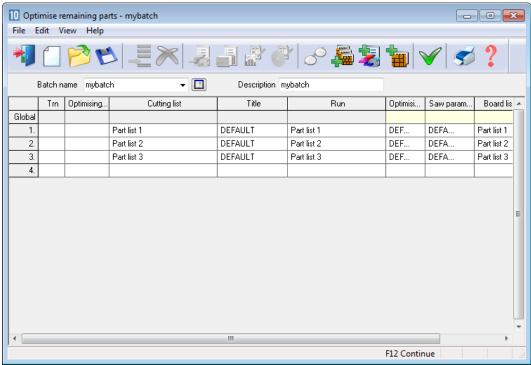
10 Magi-Cut Modular V10.00 - DEMO USER 1 File View Stock Libraries Parameters Review Print Machine interface Tools Auxiliary Ę CAD Quotes Requirements Parts Ru Back-up File Nesting - Part lil C:\v10\Demo\User1\ User profile Nesting - UV pri User profile description Demo user 1 c:\v10\Demo\Data\ Path for data Office units Path for library data CAD Drawings c:\v10\Demo\Libs\ Over production Part list 1 Part list 2 Quotes / orders Part list 3 Part list import \ Parts & boards Product Parts PNX impo Stock ower Concept Libraries Products & part Parameters Review Print

The parts lists are imported and appear in the file tree on the main screen:-

The batch file (BTX) can also include other items as well as the Part list name. The process of batch import also creates the batch in the File tree at the main screen. The part lists are ready for optimising with a single click of a button. The batch is ready to optimise.

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Import batch - optimising

In the above example the default optimising and saw parameter names are used but these can also be specified in the imported batch file:-

- Part list name
- Run number
- Optimising parameter list name
- Saw parameter list name

*Note* - If a run number is not included the program assigns a run number automatically. If parameter list names are not included these can be entered before optimising. The board list name is set equal to the part list name.

# MPR(X) Variables - import parts

When working with Nesting optimising the imported list may contain variables related to the Weeke MPR(X) drawing format.

MPR(X) variables and answers can be imported during a part list import process. This only applies to the following two import formats:-

```
User defined order
Batch - user defined order
```

Each line in the import file refers to a line in the part list. The variables for each part are specified in the same line as the standard fields (e.g. part code, material, length, width etc....). A variable can appear in any field position on a line and is denoted by surrounding the variable name with @ symbols.

```
@DOORMAT@
```

The answer is always the next field and must not be surrounded by @ symbols. So a sequence of variable and answer would be as follows:

```
@DOORMAT@,MDF-18
```

The variable and answer pairs can occur at any point in the line:-

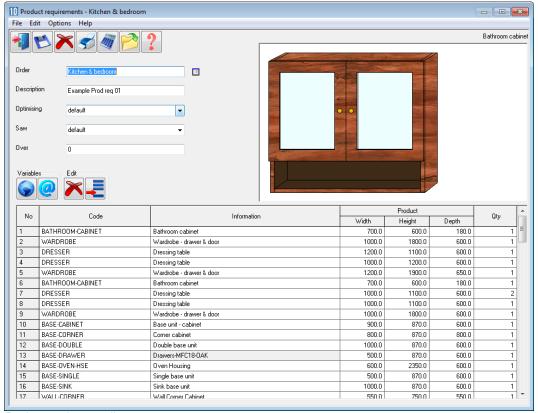
```
PARTCODE,@DOORMAT@,MDF-18,MEL-CHIP-18MM,123,17,15,,,@CARCASEMAT@,MELCHIP15,@HINGE@,1
```

If a variable answer is blank, the variable is not placed into the generated part list.

# 2.2 Import product requirements

When working with Products (PQ module) it can be the case that the list of requirements is generated elsewhere, for example, in a Sales system.

Product requirements are a list of products and quantities.

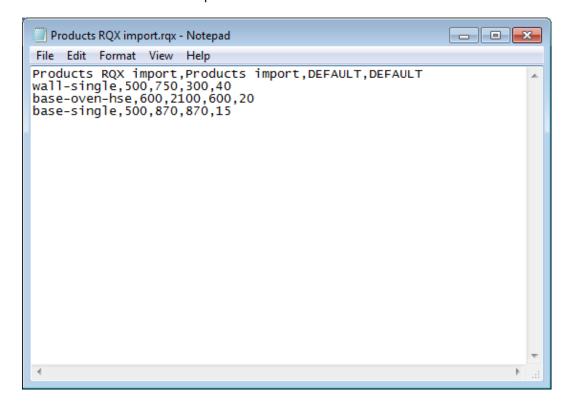


Product requirements list

At the simplest a product requirement list for import is just an ASCII list of product codes and the quantities required.

wall-single,40
base-oven-hse,20
base-single,15

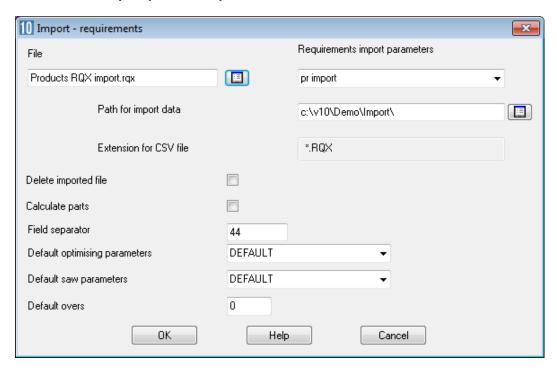
Below is a more detailed example.



The import process is as follows:-

At the main screen:-

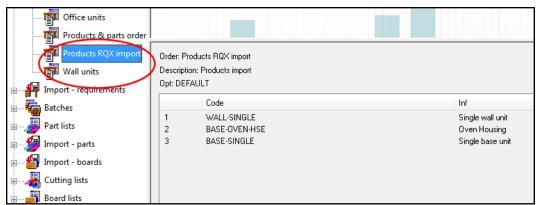
- Select: File - Import product requirements



- Select OK to import

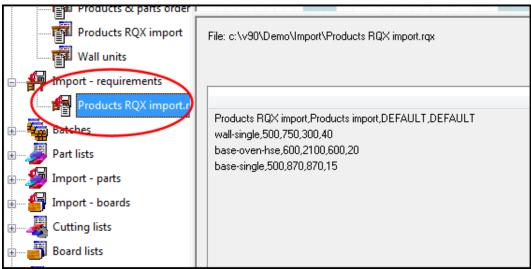
(There are settings to control the import, for example, to set the separator character and whether to delete import files after import or not).

The requirements file is shown in the File tree at the main screen.



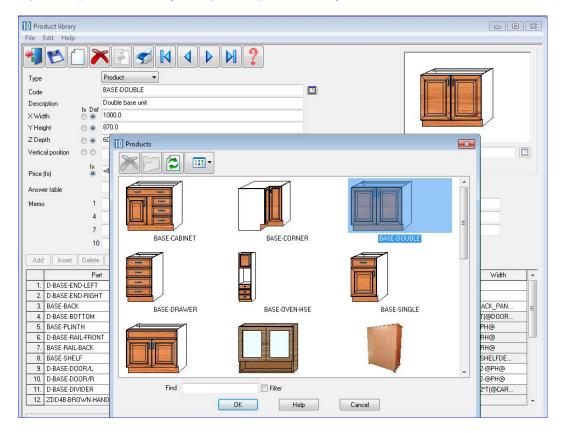
Product requirements import

Once the format is set up RQX files can also be imported directly from the File tree.



Import product requirements - File tree

For a product requirements import to work correctly the product codes in the list must represent products already set up in the product library.



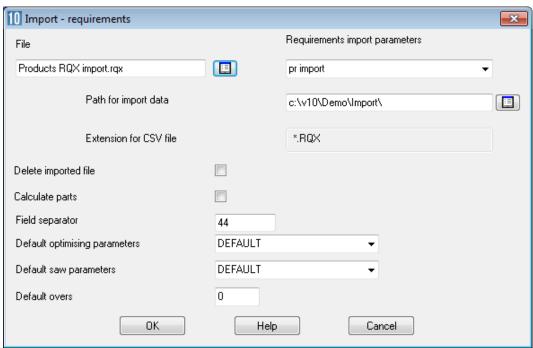
In the above example there are fixed size products and one code represents one product so the import file can be set up quite simply. However, one of the reasons for using a product library is to create 'variable products' where one 'layout' might cover a number of different sizes, colours, and styles of cabinet.

In this case the product requirements list needs to include answers for those variables (e.g. 720.0 x 450.0, Teak, Modern) as they vary for each customer or order.

# File format for Product requirements import

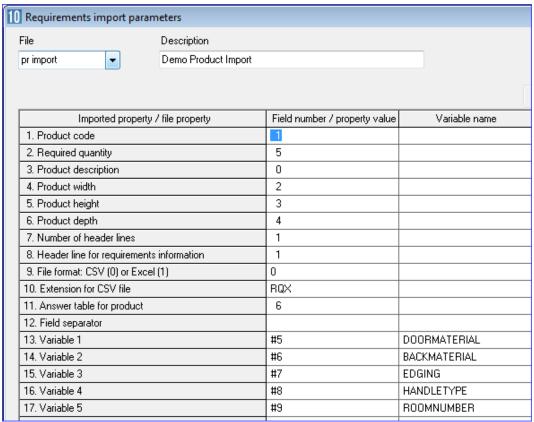
Because the contents of a product requirements file can be so varied and include variables there is no standard format for import. Instead the format is defined by one or more sets of '*Product requirements Import parameters*'.

This is set at the Import dialog.



Import dialog - Requirements import parameter file

The parameter values are set via the option (*Main screen - Parameters - Requirements Import parameters*)



Requirement Import parameters

The left hand column shows the various fields for a product and the middle column sets the position of the field in the import file. The last column is the name of the product variable (where required).

For example, the fields in the file below are: Product code, Product quantity, and Product width

```
KTUNIT,1,1950.0
KTUNIT,3,1750.0
KYUNIT,1,1350.0
```

Parameter values to describe this:-

Parameter	Value
Product code	1
Quantity	2
Description	0
Width	3
Height	0
Depth	0

#### Data for variables

More complex products may contain variable data. Variable data is information that changes for each item or customer e.g. the delivery date or type of door handle. If the external file already contains the answers for this variable data this can be specified in remaining variable lines.

The # symbol is used to indicate the item is in the imported header line and the number indicates the position in the header line.

The other items are the fields where the variable answer for each item is located e.g, DOORMATERIAL may be TEAK for one product and OAK for another.

The above values can be used to import the following file:-

```
Import file (complex.txt)
Example1,Week 32/A,standard,single,0,20/12/2015
DRESSER,2,Dressing table,Urgent,Line AS,1000.0,1100.0,600,OAK-
18,OAK-15
```

WARDROBE,7,Wardrobe - drawer & door,Urgent, Line AP,1000.0,1800.0,600.0,OAK-18,OAK-15
BATHROOM-CABINET,4,Bathroom cabinet,Priority,Line AS,700.0,600.0,180.0,MARBLE-15,MEL-15
WARDROBE,4,Wardrobe - drawer & door,Standard,Line AP,1000.0,1800.0,600.0,TEAK-18,TEAK-15

For the import to be correct the relevant products and variables must already be set up in the product library and variables table

### Header lines and file Extension parameters

The parameter list contains parameters to set the Header lines and the extension of the import file.

Header lines - describes the number of header lines (any lines before the lines of data) in the import file. This is useful where not all the header line are related to optimising.

*Import - header line -* specifies which (if any) of the header lines is the header line to import. Only one header line can be imported.

Extension for CSV file - specifies the file extension of the import file - default: RQX.

Field separator - enter an ASCII value for character defining each field e.g. '44' = comma

In this example below there are four header lines and the header line to import is on line 2

#### The values are:-

Parameter	Value	
Header lines	4	
Import - header line	2	
Extension for CSV file	ASC	

#### Calculate parts

On import the program can automatically create the list of parts for the product requirements. This avoids the step of moving to the Product requirements screen and optimising from that screen. This allows the parts to be optimised as part of a batch or for the part list to be optimised with a 'stand alone' process.

### Import from Excel files

Set the parameter value for 'CSV or Excel' to '1' for Excel. If there are two files with the same name (e.g. IMPORT.XLS and IMPORT.XLSX) the XLSX file is imported.

#### Answer table

For custom products it may also be necessary to import the answers to product variables. For example, if a customer has ordered RED doors for the product that answer can be imported. It is also possible to import a set of predefined answers for a product (called an answer table), for example, a product with red doors may also include red trims, a certain type of handle ... The field for the name of the answer table is set in the 'Answer table' parameter.

# Product requirements data

The information for requirements is outlined below.

**Order number or code** - Each order or requirements list has a unique number or code. The order code is set to the name of the import file.

**Reference** - The Reference is a descriptive reference for the requirements list or order which is used as a cross reference by the optimising program. This reference can be printed on product or part labels and other documents.

Optimising parameters - This is the name of the optimising parameter file for this optimisation. Optimising parameters are used to set items such as the saw kerf, type of cuts and trims.

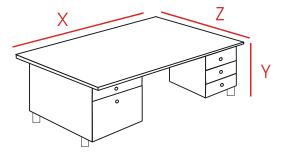
Saw parameters - This is the name of the saw parameter file for this optimisation. Saw parameters set items such as the type of saw, cutting length, stack height and so on.

Overs - This is the percentage of over-production allowed for each product. If it is set it applies to each product line in the requirements list.

*Product code* - Each product in the product library is identified by a unique code. Note that the same product code can be repeated in the requirements list for example, where the order is for a different customer, or where sizes or other features of the same basic product vary.

*Product information* - This is extra information about the product. Sometimes this is used for the product description but can be used for other information like a product identity number or details specific to that line of the requirements.

Product width, depth, height



These are the external measurements of each product.

The diagram defines the width X as the leading edge of the product but this is just an example. The width can be assigned to any edge for each product - this is determined by the product formulae and the drawing in the product library. The program always uses X - for Width, Y - for Height, and Z for Depth.

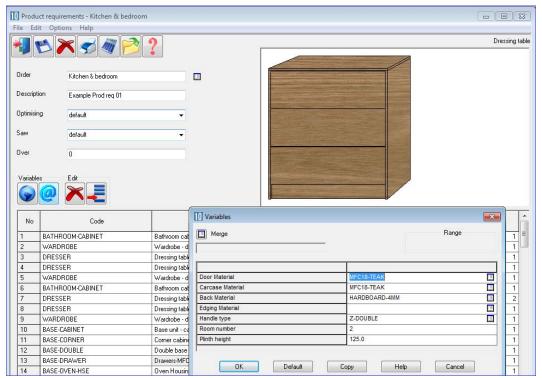
Quantity - quantity required

# **Product variables**

'Product variables' are used to define the portions of a custom product that vary for each customer; items like colour, measurements, number of drawers ...

For custom products the product may contain several 'product variables' with each standing for a variable item.

The answers to these variables for each order or customer are entered as a Product requirement.



Product requirements - Product variables

For example, for the Wardrobe the door material is MFC18-BEECH

Where the requirements are imported the answers to the variables for each product can be included in the import file.

There are two sorts of product variables.

- Global variables apply to every item in the list
- Product variables apply to individual products

In the file below the answers for global variables are included in the top line (the header line) and answer for variables for each product and included on each requirements line.

WK7,ORDER FOR WEEK 7,STANDARD,SINGLE,W/E 28/07/2006,935-1072/35 UNIT/01,Kitchen cabinet,600.0,720.0,690.0,2,WHITE,GREY,BLACK UNIT/01,Kitchen cabinet,800.0,6800.0,690.0,5,RED,CREAM,WHITE

There are also some fixed fields for the header line:-

File name Reference Optimising parameter list name Saw parameter list name Overs percentage

The following file contains a header line with fixed information and global data.

WEEK7, ORDERS FOR WEEK 7,STANDARD,HOMAGHOLZMA,JONES & SON KTUNIT,1,1950,450,RED KTUNIT,3,1750,650,WHITE KYUNIT,1,1350,450,GREY

#### The values are:-

Parameter	Value	
Product code	1	
Quantity	2	
Description	0	
Width	3	
Height	0	
Depth	4	
Variable 1	#5	CUSTOMER
Variable 2	5	DOORCOLOR

Variable 1 is a global variable named CUSTOMER (the # symbol indicates that it is a global variable and not a product variable) and the data is located in position 5 of the header line (the data that reads 'Jones & Son').

For importing answers to variables set the position in the file and give the name of the variable.

Parameter	Value	
Product code	1	
Quantity	2	
Description	0	
Width	3	
Height	0	
Depth	0	
Variable 1	4	DOORCOLOR

The third column contains the variable name (e.g. DOORCOLOR)

Importing variables not set in the requirements parameters

To do this enter the variable name and the answer on the product line.

PRODDESK, 200, 300, 400, GREEN, OAK, @PLINTH@, 500, @BACKMAT@, TEAK

Items up to 'OAK' are defined by the Requirements import parameters and the remaining items are other product variables. Variables must be in the product definition e.g. of PRODDESK.

The variable name must be surrounded by @ symbols and the answer must be in the next field and must not be surrounded by @ symbols. The variable/answer pairs can occur at any point, if necessary.

PRODUCT1,@CARCASEMAT@,MDF-15MM,,,110,220,50,15

# 2.3 Import boards

All the information on materials and board (or sheet) sizes is held in the Board library. Typically the Board library is maintained manually or with the Stock control module (SC) stock is updated from optimising and from orders and receipts from suppliers.

With the Bargstedt SQL database and the Stock control module the board library is synchronised automatically with an external database.

There are two main requirements for importing boards.

- Updating the board library from an external file (for example, a list of sizes and costs provided by a supplier)
- Importing boards to a board list (bypassing the Board library)

# **Import boards to Board library**

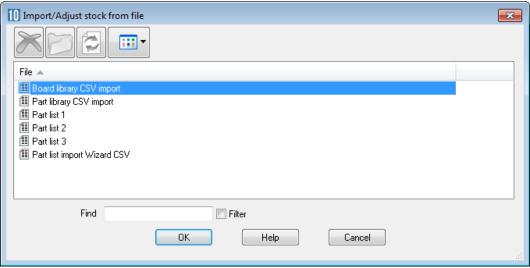
The stock control module (SC) is required for this method

At the main screen:-

Select: Stock

Select: Import/Adjust stock from file

The import dialog is shown.



Import/Adjust stock from file

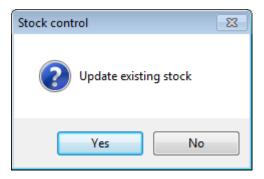
- Select the file to import

The program prompts:-



Sometimes it is useful to ignore new stock as it may not be relevant to the Board library.

# The program prompts:-



A file may contain both new items and updates to existing items in the library.

*Note* - there is also an option at the Main screen: *Stock* - *Overwrite stock* which overwrites existing stock values rather than adding to them or subtracting from them.

The format for the import file should be one of the following:-

```
Board list (BRD)
ASCII/Unicode CSV (BDX)
User defined format - ASCII/Unicode CSV
User defined format - Excel (XLS)
User defined format - Excel (XLSX)
Bargstedt (BESTAND.STK file)
Bargstedt (SQL Server database)
```

This is set by the System parameter: Board library import format

If a 'User defined' format is selected also set the name of the Board import parameter file to use. This file is used to define the format of the external file and match up the fields in the external file to the Board library fields.

Use the system parameter: Parameters for Import to set the file name.

(See below for details of how to set up the Board library import parameters).

- - X 10 Board library File Edit View **Materials** Material . Description Thickness Default grain Book Material p Picture Туре ASH-LAM-1MM Ash Laminate 1mm 1.0 Y 10 BIRCHWOOD-18MM Birchwood 18mm 18.0 N 0 BLUE-LAM-1MM Blue Laminate 1mm 1.0 Y 10 10 CHERRY LAM 1MM Cherry laminate 1mm 1.0 Y Laminate CHERRYWOOD-18MM 18.0 N 0 Cherrywood 18mm CHIPBOARD-18MM Chipboard Core 18mm 18.0 N 0 EBONY-LAM-1MM Ebony Laminate 1mm 1.0 Y 10 Laminate Boards for material: CHERRYWOOD-18MM Cherrywood 18mm Thickness:18.0 Book:0 Board code 🔺 Type Length Width Informati Stock Alloc Cost 2440.0 37 1220.0 Bin 120 0 0 2.920 0 CHERRY\_2800X2070 2800.0 2070.0 Bin 121 0 2.920 0 0

The result is an updated set of materials, boards and quantities in the Board library.

Board library

# **Board library data**

The following sections describe the board library data.

Board code - Each board has unique board code for each board size.

3/4V1S-2 1/2PB96x40 MDF18/2

Board sizes - are the length and width of the board. The length is normally the longest edge of the board but should follow the grain if the board is grained. The width is normally the shortest edge of the board but should be the edge running against the grain if the board is grained.

Board information - descriptive information about each board

Board quantity - quantity of the board in stock. This is the physical quantity of stock in the board library.

Quantity - allocations - shows the number of boards already allocated. Allocations act as a way of reserving boards for future use because the optimisers work on the physical quantity minus the allocation. This ensures that there are always the correct boards available for jobs that are already optimised and waiting to be cut. Only available with the Stock Control module

Quantity - On order - shows the number of boards 'On order', that is, boards that have been recorded in the 'Record orders' section of the Stock control module. Only available with the Stock Control module

Board cost - cost per square area of material, for example, a cost per square foot or a cost per square metre.

Board limit - used to restrict the use of each board when the program produces a set of cutting patterns.

- 0 do not exceed the quantity in stock
- 8 assume unlimited stock (ignore the quantity in stock)
- 9 exceed stock quantity if there are no other boards

The limit is also used to determine the ratio in which boards are used. For example, to use two boards sizes in approximately the same proportion 1:1 or 50:50 enter a figure of '1' as the limit setting against each board type. (1, ratio 1:1, 2, ratio 2;1, 3 ratio 3:1). There are also other settings for sundry or non-optimised parts.

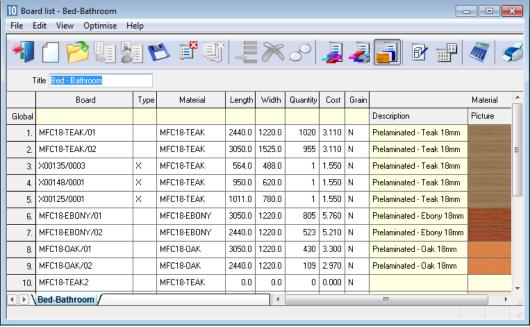
- For NO LIMIT set a value of or quantity of 99999
- Do NOT set a ratio for ONE board ONLY
- Do NOT use ratios for small amounts of stock
- cannot set a limit for an offcut it is always 0
- cannot use ratios with the small quantity optimiser
- With one dimensional optimisers (2,3) and strip optimiser (6) cannot use the limit values 8 or 9 if ratios set.

*Note* - the cost is only overwritten if the cost is set to a value greater than zero and is not left blank.

*Note* - there are other descriptive fields for the Board library, such as 'Bin' and 'Supplier'. These are not used in the BDX format.

#### **Import boards to Board list**

A board list is the list of board sizes used for optimising. This is created automatically during optimisation by extracting the materials required for parts from the board library.



Board list

It is sometimes useful to create the board list directly (manually or by import), for example, for 'one-off' jobs where the materials are not in the board library and are not required on a long term basis. Also it is sometimes necessary to make manual changes to the Board list to take account of shortages and bypass the values in the Board library.

The import file can have the following formats:-

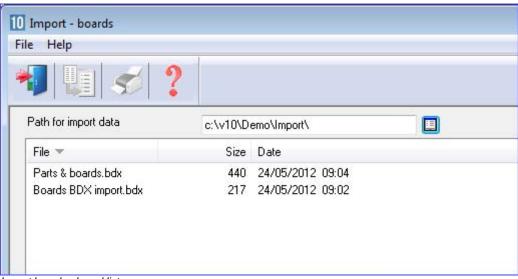
```
Board list (BRD)
ASCII/Unicode CSV (BDX)
User defined format - ASCII/Unicode CSV
```

```
User defined format - Excel (XLS)
User defined format - Excel (XLSX)
```

(The custom format is described by the *Board import parameters*)

To import boards into the board list (NOT into the board library), at the main screen:-

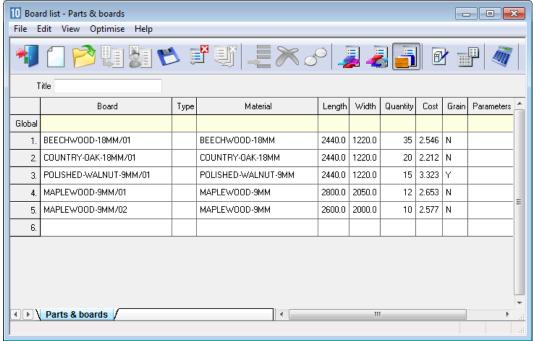
- Select: File - Import boards



Import boards - board list

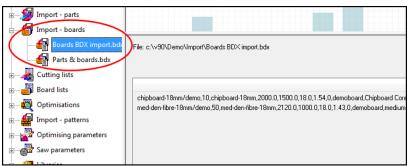
- Select a file and select the import button

#### The board list is imported



Imported board list

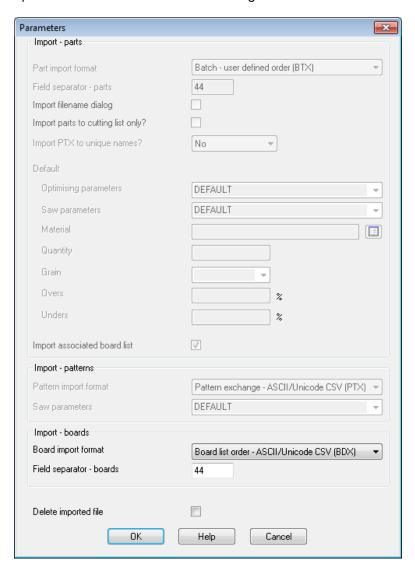
The file can also be imported from the file tree at the main screen.



Import board list - file tree

# **Board import format**

Use the Import parameters to set up the format for the board import file. The Board options are towards the foot of the dialog.



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Import board list - dialog

#### The formats are:-

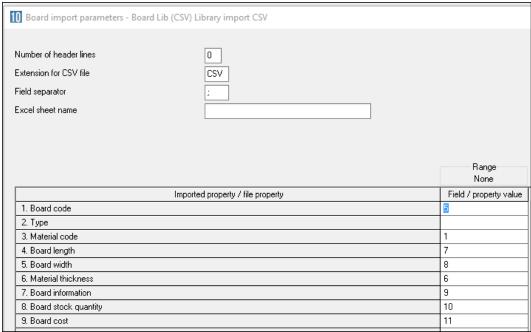
Board list order – ASCII/Unicode CSV (BDX) User defined order – ASCII/Unicode CSV User defined order - Excel (XLS) User defined order - Excel (XLSX)

For the user defined formats the format is set via the Board import parameters (*Main screen - Parameters - Board import parameters*)

# **Board import parameters**

These files define how the fields in the external file to import map on to the board library or board list fields.

It is possible to create as many parameters files as required; for example, separate files for different external file formats. If importing to the Board library and to Board lists different files may be required for each type of import as the external files are likely to be different.



Board import parameters

Use the parameters to describe the format of the external (file to import). A simple ASCII external file is, for example:-

```
BRD1,MFC15,2440.0,1220.0,25,18
BRD2,MDF18,2440.0.0,1220.0,30,15
BRD3,MDF18,1830.0,1230.0,10,18
```

In this example there is one line for each board and the information shown on each line is:-

- board code
- material code
- length (millimetres)

- width (millimetres)
- quantity
- thickness

This format is described, by the parameters, as follows:-

Each parameter is a field in the part list and the parameter value is the position of that field in the external ASCII file. Here is the same data in another format:

```
25,BRD1,MFC15,2440.0,1220.0,18
30,BRD2,MDF18,2440.0.0,1220.0,15
10,BRD3,MDF18,1830.0,1230.0,18
```

This is the same data as the first example but the items are now in a different order:-

- quantity
- board code
- material
- width
- length
- thickness

Here is a similar example for importing boards measured in inches.

```
25,BRD1,MFC15,96-1/2,48
30,BRD2,MDF18,96-1/2,48
10,BRD3,MDF18,72,48-3/4
```

... Extension for CSV file -- BDX

Note - at the foot of the list that there is a parameter to specify the extension for the import file; the default is BDX. The path for the file is specified in the program as the Path for Import

*Number of header lines* - Enter the number of header lines. Default value is 0 and the range is 0-99. Only applies when the Import parameter: *Board import format* is set for user defined formats.

- The value column specifies a field position in the import file. This can be in the range 0 to 200. There are less fields to import than this but in some import files there will be fields that have to be ignored.
- The 'Extension for CSV file' parameter is used to specify the file extension of the files to be imported.

e.g. CSV, BDX, XLS, XLSX

Field separator - enter an ASCII value for character defining each field e.g. '44' = comma

#### **Notes**

- When importing to a board list the following fields are not used.

Material description Maximum book height

#### **Board import file format (BDX)**

```
Board code (50)
Quantity (5)
Material (50)
Length (9)
Width (9)
Thickness (7)
Cost (5)
Limit (1)
Board information (50)
Material description (50)
Grain (1) Yes=1, No=0, 2=X
Maximum book height (4)
Board parameter name (50)
Material density (6)
Board type (1) Stock board=0, Offcut in manual storage area=1, Offcut in automatic
storage area=2
Bin (25)
Supplier (50)
Material parameter name (50)
Material picture/colour (50) file name or RGB(###:###:###)
```

The number in brackets shows the maximum length of each field but each field must also be comma separated and can be shorter than the maximum. Only the first two items (board code and quantity) are essential the other items are optional.

Material parameter name - stored in the Board library on import. Not used when importing boards to a board list.

```
B27/1,250
B28/1,3000
B35/021/009-ASH,-150
B36,0,MFC15,2440.0,1220.0,15.0,42.25,0
SP8,345
```

Note - not all the fields specified in the BDX format are used when importing into a Board list (as these fields are not used in the Board list). The fields NOT imported are:-

```
Material description (extra description field in Board library)
Max book height
Material density
```

These fields must be present where there are following fields.

# Import parameter to include the list of boards on import

For the import of external part lists it is sometimes convenient to also import the board list at the same time, Quite often the two lists are created together in the external system. At the import parameters screen:-

- Check the box to also import the board list

The program automatically works out the correct board list name and extension from the settings for the import type for parts and boards and the extension used (this is either implied by the import type or taken from the Board import parameters).

```
Import part format: Part list order - ASCII/Unicode CSV (PNX)
Import board format: Board list order - ASCII/Unicode CSV (BDX)
Part list name: MyBoards.pnx
Board list name: MyBoards.bdx
```

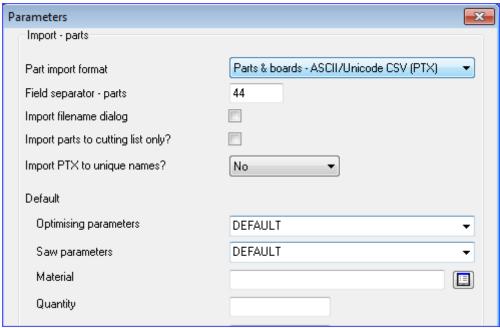
#### 2.4 Import Parts / Boards / Patterns - Pattern Exchange Format (PTX)

The Pattern Exchange format is a standard format for describing parts, boards, patterns and cutting information and can be used for both Import and Export. The file can be either an ASCII file or an Access MDB database file (the full details for the format are in Section 3).

#### **Import Parts and Boards (PTX)**

Several manufacturers use the PTX format for exchanging data.

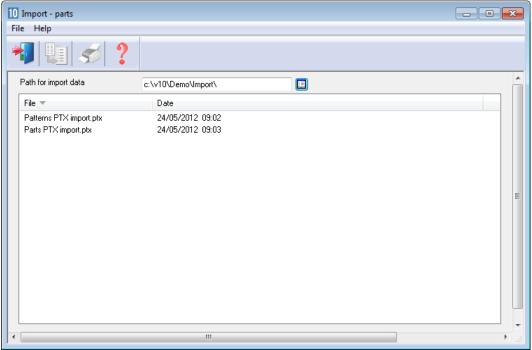
The import format is set at the Import dialog (Main screen - File - Import parts (boards) - File Parameters)



Import PTX - set format

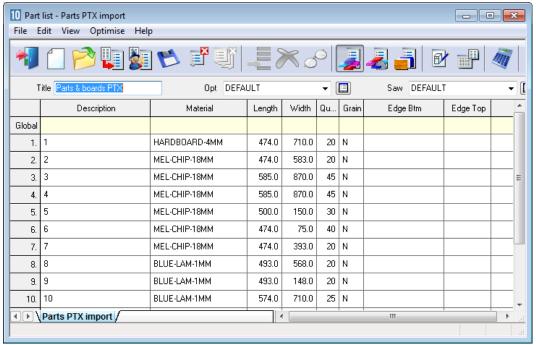
The format for PTX is: Parts & Boards ASCII/Unicode CSV (PTX). The PTX file can contain both parts and boards. To import (once the format is set):-

# - Select: File - Import parts



Import parts and boards - PTX

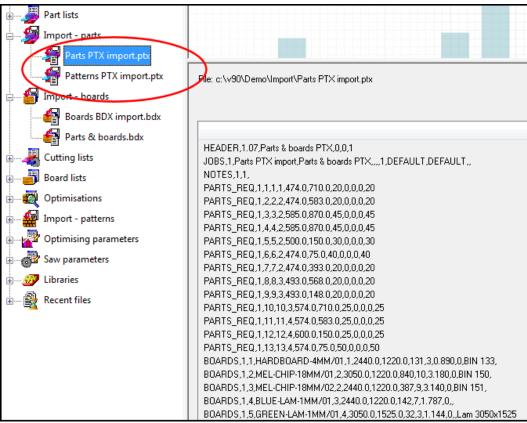
The part list and board list are imported.



Import parts - PTX

The PTX format can also be imported from an MDB file: Parts & Boards - Access (MDB).

Once the format is set Parts and Boards can also be imported from the file tree.



Import parts - PTX (File tree)

In the example above a section of the ASCII/Unicode PTX file is shown at the right.

#### **Notes**

- The File tree extension (PTX) matches the import format setting.
- PTX files can contain more than one part list or board list

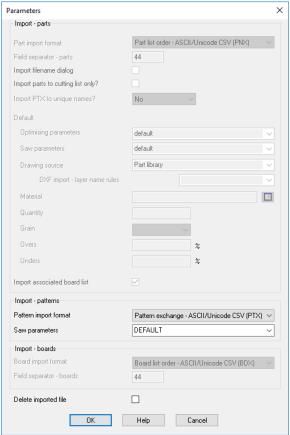
# **Import patterns - Pattern Exchange Format**

The optimising program usually produces patterns so it is rare to need to import patterns to the program.

(The main use for the Pattern Exchange format is to export data for patterns to other systems and machines, or, for manufacturers to use sections of the PTX data for controlling other production processes).

However, in some cases it is useful to import patterns to the Optimising software, for example, where special patterns have been created manually and do not need to be optimised.

Use the Pattern Exchange format for this import (*Main screen - Import patterns - File - Parameters*)



Import parameters - Patterns

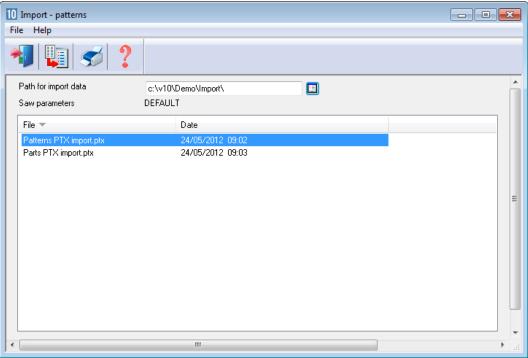
The pattern import parameters are towards the foot of the dialog. Select the one of the pattern exchange formats, for example: Pattern Exchange – ASCII/Unicode CSV (PTX)

(The other options are for special situations where patterns are imported from other systems for further processing).

To import patterns (once the format is set), at the main menu:-

# Select: File - Import patterns

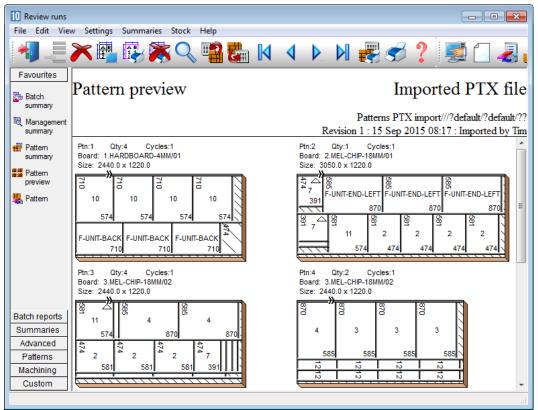
The screen displays an Import dialog select the pattern exchange file (PTX) to import.



Import patterns - PTX

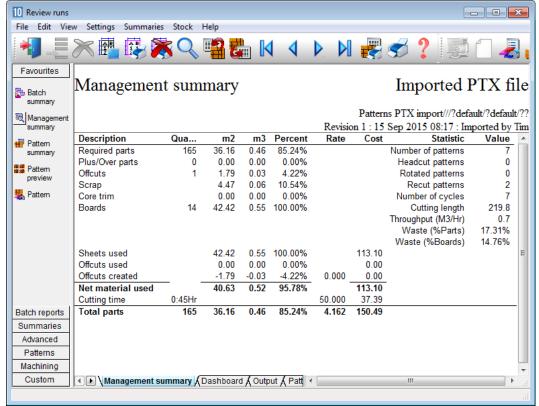
- Select a file and select the import button

The result is an imported run (set of patterns).



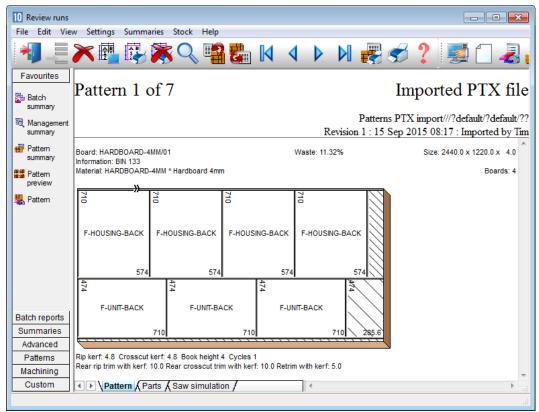
Pattern preview - imported patterns

The run is the same as any optimised run with summaries and full pattern details.



Management summary - Imported patterns

The patterns operate in the normal way.

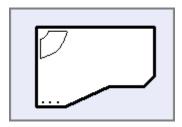


Pattern details - Imported pattern

*Note* - import patterns also imports the parts and boards as these are needed for the patterns.

*File tree* - also import patterns by selecting the file at the file tree on the main screen under the branch 'Import patterns'.

#### 2.5 Import/Export DXF drawings for Patterns and Parts



DXF is a common format for part and pattern drawings. To use this format the Optimising program has to import or read part and pattern drawings in the DXF format and after optimisation output patterns and machining instructions to a file in a defined DXF format.

- For import use the 'DXF import layer name rules' to describe the DXF format (*Main screen Parameters 'DXF import layer name rules*')
- For transfer to a machining centre the program uses a pre-defined DXF format (*Main screen Machine Interface 2D DXF Nested Layered*)

The DXF format is essentially a drawing format describing the geometry of a drawing. The information for machining (drilling, routing, etc.) is stored separately in different 'Layers'. Typically there is a layer for drilling, a layer for borders and so on.

Layering - Layering is a mechanism in the DXF format which separates the drawing elements into series of layers or overlays. Each layer can be identified and its contents separated from the other layers. The layer names and the layer contents can be chosen by the user so that is a very flexible way of structuring the information in a DXF file. The different layer options available are just the different conventions that manufacturers and users have set up for naming layers and deciding what information is in each layer.

These layers are typically named and defined differently by each user depending the type and quantity of information they use. Within a DXF file there can also be many other 'Layers' containing information on the drawing or the project which are not used by the Optimising program.

# Working with DXF based parts

Where parts are based on DXF files there are a number of ways of working.

- Use DXF parts directly in part lists
- Import DXF parts into the Part library
- Import DXF parts into the Machining library

Once the parts are in a part list they can be optimised and transferred to a machining centre in the usual way.

# Use DXF parts directly in part lists

- Copy the DXF files to the directory set by the system parameter: Path for Import data
- Move to a part list
- Select: File Properties
- Set the drawing source for the part list as: DXF files (this can be different for each part list)

10 Part list - Nesting - DXF - E X File Edit View Optimise Title I nesting - DXF drawing source **-**Saw m-centre - [[ Opt nesting Width Qu... Grain Description Material Length Edge Btm Edge Top ^ Global CABINET\_TOP MED-DEN-FIBRE-18MM 262.0 300.0 7 N MED-DEN-FIBRE-18MM 600.0 900.0 5 N 2. DISPLAY\_SIDE 11 DXF files × **III** • Cabinet top Display\_side Drawer 0

At the part list the DXF parts are now available from the selection dialog.

Part list - DXF parts

When using the DXF drawing source (Part list parameters) the setting for 'DXF import - layer name rules' must also be set to describe the DXF format.

# Import DXF parts to the Part library

- Copy the DXF files to the directory set by the system parameter: Path for Import data
- Move to the Part library
- Select: Edit Import DXF drawings
- Select the required DXF drawing

The item is now stored in the Part library and there is a drawing in the Machining library.

- Move to a part list
- Select: File Properties
- Set the drawing source for the part list as: *Part library* (this can be different for each part list)

At the part list the DXF parts in the Part library are now available from the selection dialog.

#### Import DXF parts to the Machining library

- Copy the DXF files to the directory set by the system parameter: Path for Import data
- Move to the Machining library
- Select: File Merge DXF
- Choose the directory with the DXF files
- Select the required DXF drawing

The item is now stored in the Machining library.

- Move to a part list
- Select: File Properties
- Set the drawing source for the part list as: Machining library (this can be different for each part list)

At the part list the DXF parts in the Machining library are now available from the selection dialog.

#### Machining instructions

For parts processed at a Machining centre the DXF file also contains machining instructions. This format can be different for each user. Use the 'DXF import - layer name rules' to describe this format.

#### **DXF** import - layer name rules

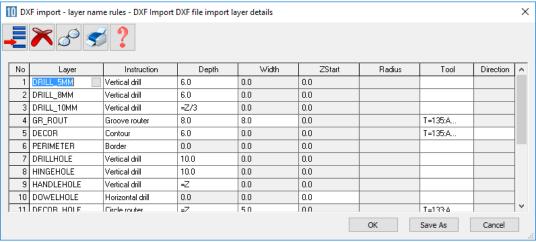
Use these parameters to describe the layer structure of a DXF file for machining information. This information is required if DXF files are used as a source for parts, in the part list, part library or machining library.

At the main menu:-

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#### · Select: Parameters - DXF import - layer name rules

The program displays a dialog.



DXF layer names

- Enter a layer name

or

- Select a layer name via the list box

(Click on the Layer column to pop up the select button)

Initially the program prompts to select the folder containing the DXF files. Select the required folder. This selection is retained for future sessions.

If no names are available or more layer names are required a list of layer names can be prepared by scanning existing DXF files - for details see: Scan - DXF.

#### **Instruction**

Enter the type of instruction stored in the layer name. Some examples of available types are:-

Vertical drill Horizontal drill Saw groove Circle router
Groove router
Arc router
End groove
Contour
Text
Border
Safety Border
Free form pocket

In the next columns enter the information for Depth, Width, Zstart and Tool where it applies for each instruction type. This is information that is NOT in the DXF layer but needs to be set for Machining.

The information required for each machining type is.

Vertical drill: Depth, Tool
Horizontal drill: ZStart, Tool
Saw groove: Width, Depth, Tool
Groove router: Depth, Width, Tool
Arc router: Width, Depth, Tool
End groove; Width, Depth, Tool
Contour: Depth
Text:
Border:

- At the Tool column click on the button to pop up the tool dialog to enter the Tool information.

#### Direction of imported contours / free form pockets

The column 'Direction' is for specifying the direction of contours and free form pockets. This is available where the instruction is a contour or a free form pocket. Enter one of the following values:-

**Blank** - contour/pocket direction depends on the way it was drawn in the original DXF drawing)

**CW** - contour/pocket is drawn in the machining library in a clockwise direction **CCW** - contour/pocket is drawn in the machining library in a counter clockwise direction

#### **Notes**

- Layer name maximum length is 100 characters
- Up to 100 parameters lines allowed
- Machining centre parameter: *Import DXF format* must be set to ' Layered user defined'
- Only layer names that are used for geometry are shown in the selection dialog
- When transferring a machining drawing in 2D DXF nested layered DXF format any fixed pockets (not free form pockets) appear on a layer starting with the text 'POCKET'

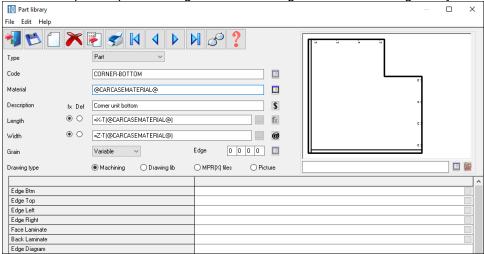
#### 2.6 External drawings - Part library and Product library

For the part library and product library a drawing can be associated with each item. The drawing can be selected from one of several different sources:-

- Machining library
- MPR(X) file
- Drawing library
- External graphics file (BMP, WMF, EMF, JPG)

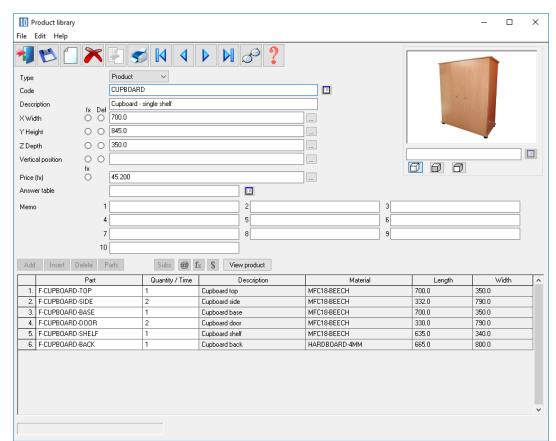
#### Drawing - part library

In this example the part drawing shows a drawing from the machining library.



External pictures - part library

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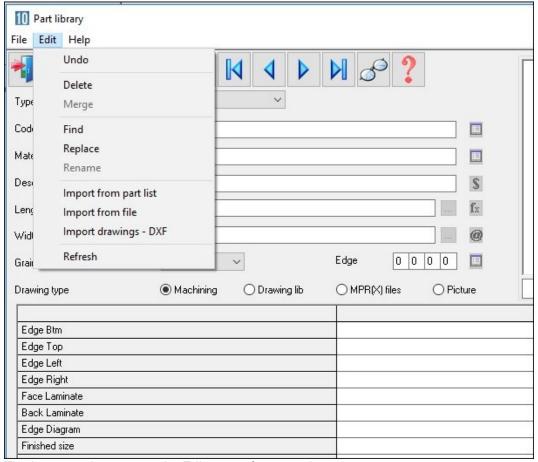


In this example the product drawing is from an external picture (jpg) file.

External picture - product library

- External graphics files are placed in directory set by the system parameter: *Path for pictures*. If this path is not set the files are in the directory set by the system parameter: *Path for data*
- MPR(X) files are located in the directory set by the system parameter: Path for MPR(X) files
- Different parts can be linked to the same drawing or there can be a one to one link between parts and drawings.

# 2.7 Import from file - part library



The import options are on the Edit menu, for example:-

- Select: Edit - Import from file

The program displays a list of files (from path set by the System Parameter: Path for data'

- Select a part list to import

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If a part code already exists in the part library the program prompts to overwrite the code or stop the import.

Setup of External files - The file type can be CSV (ASCII/Unicode text file) or the Excel formats XLS, XLSX; this is set via (Part library screen - File - Parameters). To import an external file directly to the part library the format of the external file must follow a fixed layout.

part code
material
description
default length
length
default width
width
grain
quick edge codes
cost
drawing type
drawing code
information boxes

Default length?; default width? - used to set the default check box beside the length and width fields at the part library

0 = default box is not set 1 = default box is set

Material code starts with + record is a fitting Material code starts with - record is an operation

Grain 0=No, 1=Yes, 2=X, 3=Variable

Cost - only applies to fittings and operations

Drawing type - 0=file name, 1=machining library, 2=drawing library

Drawing code - where the drawing type is 0 the drawing code is a file name and extension, otherwise it is a drawing code

Part library - Import part lists

Part lists can also be imported to the part library via the option: **Edit - Import from Part list** 

#### 2.8 Import product data

At the product library screen there are several options to export data.

- Import product
- Import library

#### **Import product**

The program has an option to export data for a single product to a PLE file. This file can be imported to any product library using this import option.

If the product is BASE-OVEN-HSE the file is typically: BASE-OVEN-HSE.PLE

The PLE format is an internal format.

#### Import library

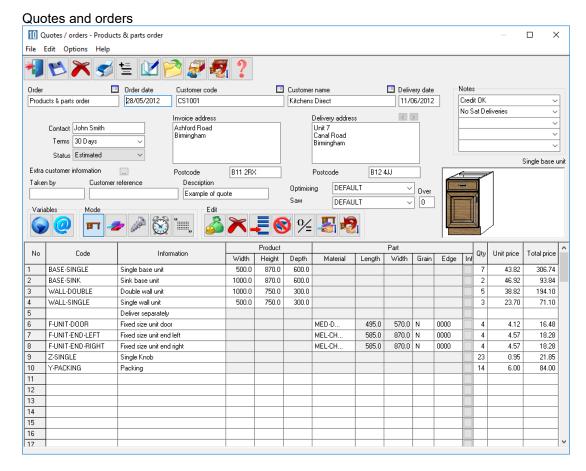
This option imports an MDB file and creates the following libraries/tables:

Product library Part library Variable table Lookup table Formula table

The structure of the MDB file must match the specification for the librar. For details of the format see the section on 'Export product data'.

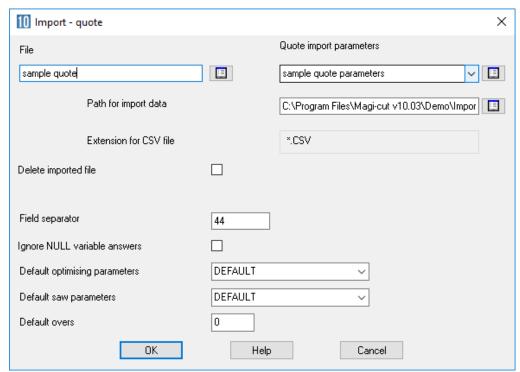
#### 2.9 Import Quote and Orders

When working with Quotes it can be the case that the data is generated elsewhere, for example in a Sales system.



The import process is as follows At the main screen:-

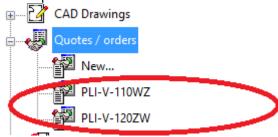
Select: File – Import - Quote



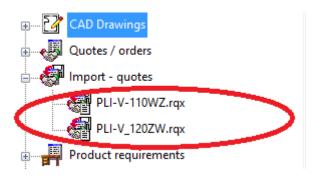
- Select OK to import

(There are settings to control the import, for example, to set the separator character and whether to delete import files after import or not).

The requirements file is shown in the File tree at the main screen.



Once the format is set up RQX files can also be imported directly from the File tree.

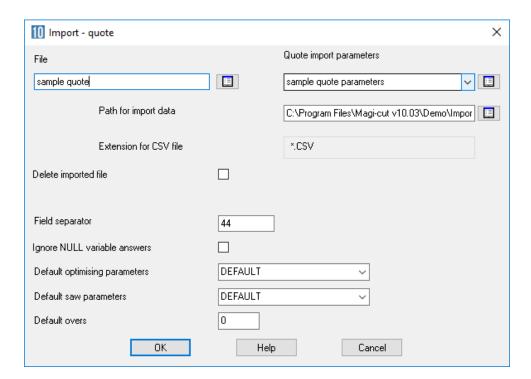


If importing products, the product code must represent products already set up in the product library.

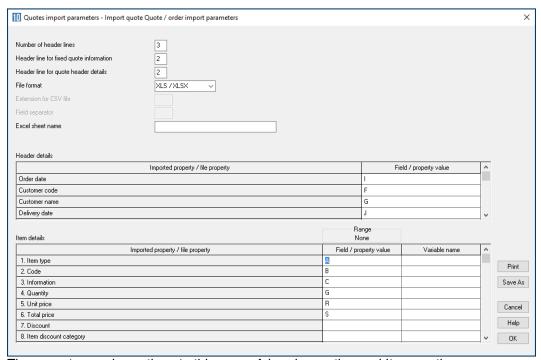
# File format for Quote/Orders import

Because the contents of a quote / orders file can be so varied and include variables, information boxes and variable header data, there is no standard format for import. Instead the format is defined by one or more sets of 'Quote requirements Import parameters'.

This is set at the Quote Import dialog.



The parameter values are set via the option (Main screen - Parameters - Quote Import parameters)



There are two main sections to this page. A header section and Item section.

The header section specifies the position in the import files header line, one position for each header item.

The item section specifies the position in the field in the main body of the file.

For example, the following sample has one header line and three items lines. The header line fields are ORDER DATE, CUSTOMER CODE, CUSTOMER NAME, DELIVERY DATE.

# The item data is CODE,ENTRY TYPE, INFORMATION, WIDTH,HEIGHT,DEPTH<QUANTITY

```
28/05/2012,CUS123,test customer 1,28/05/2012
BASE-SINGLE,0,Single base unit,550.0,900,0,600.0,1,
F-UNIT-DOOR,1,Fixed size unit door,500,0,600.0,,4
Z-SINGLE,3,Single Knob,,,,4
```

They type of item loaded depends on the entry type setting. The following values determine the item type

Product = 0 Part = 1 Free\_form/phrases = 2 Fitting = 3 Operation =4

## 3. Pattern Exchange File - Specification - V1.14

#### 1. INTRODUCTION

This section describes a data structure for the exchange of cutting lists and patterns for sheet material between various design programs, optimising packages, and panel saw controllers.

This data structure contains the information that is required for transferring cutting lists to an optimising package and for transferring optimised cutting patterns with label information to a panel saw. The data structure can be created in two formats as follows.

- ASCII/Unicode comma-separated file
- Access database

The data structure consists of 12 record types each with a number of fields. In the ASCII/Unicode file each record type is represented by a token which begins each line and in the database each record type is a separate table.

Each record type and each field name are in uppercase and use underscores between separate words. No table name or field name is more than 10 characters.

## 2. RECORD TYPES & TABLE NAMES

The 'cutting list' record types are as follows.

HEADER - general information describing the complete data structure (or file) JOBS - header data for each job (cutting list or optimised run)
PARTS\_REQ - basic requirement details for each item in the cutting list
PARTS\_INF - standard information about each part
PARTS\_UDI - user-defined information about each part
PARTS\_DST - destacking information about each part
BOARDS - information about each item in the board (stock) list
MATERIALS - information about each material type
NOTES - other information for a job

The 'post-optimisation' records are:

OFFCUTS - record describing each off-cut produced PATTERNS - pattern header records - one for each cutting pattern PTN\_UDI - information used to match parts in a strip - one for each strip in the pattern CUTS - cutting instructions – occur many times per pattern – once for each cut required VECTORS – vector graphics describing the pattern

### 3. FORMAT

The ASCII/Unicode version of the file uses standard comma-separated format, and has the suffix .PTX (PaTtern eXchange). The main part of the filename could be the job/order number or batch name if the file contains multiple jobs.

Examples:-

#### 01234.PTX ABC123-1.PTX

Note that the structure allows for the ASCII file to contain more than 1 cutting list or run if necessary, for example it could contain a batch of runs. Note that there may be restrictions on the file name because some controllers will, for example, only accept 5 digits for the job number.

All normal CSV format conventions apply, including optional use of quotation marks around text data. Leading spaces are ignored. Trailing commas (separators) are not necessary. Text fields containing commas must be enclosed in quotes.

The format and size restrictions for each field are tabulated in section 18. Note, that the limitations (eg. max length of material code) will vary according to the implementation and specification of the saw.

All 'index numbers' must be integer values, starting at 1 for the first record, and incrementing consecutively up to the maximum specified. Note, in particular that all part, board, pattern and cutting records must contain the appropriate job index number showing which job they relate to.

The Access database version stores each record type in a separate table. The file has the standard extension of MDB.

Examples: 01234.MDB BATCH32.MDB

### 4. HEADER - GENERAL INFORMATION

HEADER - VERSION, TITLE, UNITS, ORIGIN, TRIM\_TYPE

The header record contains descriptive and global information for the job. This record appears as a line in the ASCII/Unicode file. In the Access database this information will be stored in the database properties.

VERSION - File version (1.08)

TITLE - File title

UNITS - Measurement mode = 0 (metric), 1(decimal inches).

ORIGIN - This field indicates the origin for the VECTOR drawing records. The origin for the CUT records is assumed to be 0 (top left).

0 = top to bottom - left to right

1 = top to bottom - right to left

2 = bottom to top - left to right

3 = bottom to top - right to left

TRIM\_TYPE - Indicates whether the waste strip/piece is cut first or last. That is, is the fixed trim done on the leading edge or as a final trim?

0 = trim waste piece first

1 = trim fixed trim first

#### ASCII/Unicode & Database examples

HEADER,1,"This is an example",0,0,1

#### **HEADER TABLE**

VERSION	TITLE	UNITS	ORIGIN	TRIM_TYPE
1	This is an	0	0	1
	example			

#### 5. JOBS - JOB RECORD

 ${\tt JOBS, -JOB\_INDEX,\ NAME,\ DESC,\ ORD\_DATE,\ CUT\_DATE,\ CUSTOMER,\ STATUS,\ OPT\_PARAM,\ SAW\_PARAM,\ CUT\_TIME,\ WASTE\_PCNT}$ 

This record contains data about each job contained in the file. These records are optional and in the absence of job records all parts and patterns are assumed to belong to the same job.

JOB\_INDEX - Unique index number used to link other records to an appropriate job NAME - Job number/name – reference for job DESC - Job description/title - title of job ORD\_DATE – Date of order (DD/MM/YYYY) CUT\_DATE – Date for cutting/delivery (DD/MM/YYYY) CUSTOMER - Customer code or name STATUS - Status of the job.

0 - not optimised

1 - optimised

2 - optimise failed

Note: there may be a range of other error codes

OPT\_PARAM - Optimising parameter file name SAW\_PARAM - Saw parameter file name CUT\_TIME - Total cutting time for the job in seconds WASTE\_PCNT - Overall percentage waste as a percentage of board area

## ASCII/Unicode & Database examples

JOBS,1,ORD1234,SAMPLE JOB – CUSTOMER WOODCO,17/01/1999, 22/01/1999,WOODCO,1,STANDARD,ANGLE,821,12.36

#### JOBS TABLE

JOB_INDE X	NAME	DESC	ORD_DATE	
1	ORD1234	SAMPLE JOB - CUSTOMER WOODCO	17/01/1999	

#### 6. PARTS REQ - PART REQUIREMENT RECORD

PARTS\_REQ - JOB\_INDEX, PART\_ INDEX, CODE, MAT\_INDEX, LENGTH, WIDTH, QTY\_REQ, QTY\_OVER, QTY\_UNDER, GRAIN, QTY\_PROD, UNDER\_PROD\_ERROR, UNDER\_PROD\_ALLOWED, UNDER\_PROD\_PLUSPART

This record contains data about each different size (or line item) in the cutting list. This record is used to provide details about each part (over and above cut sizes).

JOB\_INDEX - Index number used to link this record to other records for this job.
PART\_INDEX - Index number to link this record with other associated part records
CODE - Part code or description.
MAT\_INDEX - Index of material used for this part.
LENGTH - Cut length of part shown in appropriate measurement unit
WIDTH - Cut length of part shown in appropriate measurement unit

QTY\_REQ - number of pieces this size QTY\_OVER - allowed over production QTY\_UNDER - allowed under production.

#### GRAIN -

0 = No grain/part can be rotated,

1 = grain along the length of the board/part cannot be rotated

2 = grain along the width of the board/part must be rotated

QTY\_PROD - quantity of parts produced by patterns
UNDER\_PROD\_ERROR - quantity of parts not produced because of an error
UNDER\_PROD\_ALLOWED - quantity of parts not produced because of allowed under production
UNDER\_PROD\_PLUSPART - quantity of plus parts not produced

#### ASCII/Unicode & Database examples

PARTS REQ,1,1,SD900X,1,890.0,645.5,50,0,2,0,50,0,0,0

### PARTS REQ TABLE

JOB_INDEX	PART_INDEX	CODE	MAT_INDEX	LENGTH	WIDTH	
1	1	SD900X	1	890.0	645.5	

#### 7. PARTS INF - STANDARD PART INFO RECORD

PARTS\_INF - JOB\_INDEX, PART\_INDEX, DESC, LABEL\_QTY, FIN\_LENGTH, FIN\_WIDTH, ORDER, EDGE1, EDGE2, EDGE3, EDGE4, EDG\_PG1, EDG\_PG2, EDG\_PG3, EDG\_PG4, FACE\_LAM, BACK\_LAM, CORE, DRAWING, PRODUCT, PROD INFO, PROD WIDTH, PROD HGT, PROD DEPTH, PROD NUM, ROOM, BARCODE1, BARCODE2, COLOUR, SECOND\_CUT\_LENGTH, SECOND\_CUT\_WIDTH

This optional record contains standard information about each different size (or line item) in the cutting list. One use of this record is to hold data for label printing.

JOB INDEX - Index number used to link this record to other records for this job. PART INDEX - Index number linking this record with other part records. DESC - A second part description

LABEL\_QTY - Number of copies of the label for this part. 0 = no labels for this part

default if not specified =1 FIN LENGTH - Length of part after edging and trimming FIN WIDTH - Width of part after edging and trimming

ORDER - Original order/job/work number which part relates to EDGE1 - Code or description of edging for bottom (length) edge

EDGE2 - Code or description of edging for top (length) edge EDGE3 - Code or description of edging for left (width) edge

EDGE4 - Code or description of edging for right (width) edge EDG\_PG1 - Program or operation code for bottom (length) edge

EDG PG2 - Program or operation code for top (length) edge EDG PG3 - Program or operation code left (width) edge

EDG\_PG4 - Program or operation code for right (width) edge

FACE\_LAM - Code/description of laminate material for face (topside) of part BACK\_LAM - Code /description of laminate material for back (underside) of part CORE\_MAT - Code or description of core material

PALLET - Pallet layout (stacks in length and width)

DRAWING - Name of drawing file, drill program or CNC program for machine centre

PRODUCT - Product or cabinet code or template name to which part belongs

PROD\_INFO - Description of product or cabinet

PROD WIDTH - External dimension of product or cabinet

PROD HGT - External dimension of product or cabinet

PROD DEPTH - External dimension of product or cabinet

PROD\_NUM - Item number of cabinet in room

ROOM - Room or floor or group item number for cabinet

BARCODE1 - data for 1st barcode - as text string

BARCODE2 - data for second bar code - as text string

COLOUR - The extended colour name.

SECOND\_CUT\_LENGTH - Length of part prior to second cut

SECOND CUT\_WIDTH - Width of part prior to second cut

#### ASCII/Unicode & Database examples

PARTS\_INF,1,2,BOTTOM,1,690.0,475.0,ORD1234,GREY-1MMPVC,, GREY-1MMPVC,,Edge PG1,Edge PG2,Edge PG3,Edge PG4,GREYLAM,GREYLAM, MDF18,2X1,BU-SIDE-CNC,BU4DW,4 Dwr Base Unit,600.0,890.0,570.0,1,1, 0690004750,0012301,WHITE-ASH-325,700.0,485.0

### PARTS\_INF TABLE

JOB_	INDEX	PART_INDEX	DESC	LABEL_QTY	FIN_LENGTH	FIN_WIDTH	
	1	2	BOTTOM	1	690.0	475.0	

### 8. PARTS UDI - USER DEFINED PART INFO RECORD

PARTS\_UDI - JOB\_INDEX, PART\_INDEX, INFO1, INFO2, .... INFO60

This optional record contains user-defined information about each different size (or line item) in the cutting list. One use of this data is for label printing.

JOB\_INDEX - Index number used to link this record to other records for this job.

PART\_INDEX - Index number linking this record with other part records

#### **INFOn**

There are up to 60 information fields. The name of each field is INFO followed by the field number. The fields may be used for any purpose such as customer details, dates, CNC operations, and other items not included in the other part records.

### ASCII/Unicode & Database examples

PARTS UDI,1,3,CNC84,Smith & Co,20-APR-1999

PARTS\_UDI TABLE

JOB_INDEX	PART_INDEX	INFO1	INFO2	INFO3	
1	3	CNC84	Smith & Co	20-APR-1999	

#### 9. PARTS DST - DESTACKING PART INFO RECORD

PARTS\_DST - JOB\_INDEX, PART\_INDEX, PART\_LAY\_L,PART\_LAY\_W, PART\_LAY\_O,STK\_HGHT\_Q, STK\_HGHT\_D, STATION, QTY\_STACKS, BTM\_TYPE, BTM\_DESC, BTM\_MATL, BTM\_LENGTH, BTM\_WIDTH, BTM\_THICK, OVER\_LEN, OVER\_WID, BTM\_LAY\_L, BTM\_LAY\_W, TOP\_TYPE, TOP\_DESC, TOP\_MATL, TOP\_LENGTH, TOP\_WIDTH, TOP\_THICK, TOP\_LAY\_L, TOP\_LAY\_W, SUP\_TYPE, SUP\_DESC, SUP\_MATL, SUP\_LENGTH, SUP\_WIDTH, SUP\_THICK, SUP\_LAY\_L, SUP\_LAY\_W,STATION2

This optional record contains destacking information about each different size (or line item) in the cutting list.

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JOB INDEX - Index number used to link this record to other records for this job.
PART INDEX - Index number linking this record with other part records
PART_LAY L - Part layout - number of parts per stack in length
PART_LAY_W - Part layout - number of parts per stack in width PART_LAY_O - Part layout - orientation
STK HGHT Q - Stack height - quantity of pieces
STK_HGHT_D - Stack height – dimension
STATION - Station number
QTY_STACKS - Total number of stacks (pallets) for this part
BTM TYPE - Bottom destacking type
BTM DESC - Bottom description
BTM_MATL – Bottom baseboard material
BTM LENGTH - Length of bottom baseboard/pallet
BTM WIDTH - Width of bottom baseboard/pallet
BTM_THICK -Thickness of bottom baseboard/pallet
OVER LEN – Overhang/oversize per side in length
OVER_WID - Overhang/oversize per side in width
BTM_LAY_L - Layout of bottom baseboards/pallets in station in length BTM_LAY_W - Layout of bottom baseboards/pallets in station in width
TOP_TYPE - Top cover type
OP DESC - Top baseboard/cover description
OP MATL – Top baseboard material
TOP_LENGTH - Length of top baseboard/cover
TOP_WIDTH - Width of top baseboard/cover
TOP THICK -Thickness of top baseboard/cover
TOP_LAY_L - Layout of top baseboards in length TOP_LAY_W - Layout of top baseboards in width
SUP TYPE - Support type
SUP_DESC – Support description
SUP_MATL – Support material
SUP_LENGTH - Length of support
SUP_WIDTH - Width of support
SUP THICK - Thickness of support
SUP_LAY_L - Support layout in length
SUP_LAY_W - Support layout in width
STATION2 - Alternative station number
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# ASCII/Unicode & Database examples

 ${\tt PARTS\_DST,1,3,3,2,1,30,600,...}$ 

# PARTS\_DST TABLE

JOB_INDEX	PART_INDEX	PART_LAY_L	PART_LAY_W	PART_LAY_O	
1	3	3	2	1	

#### 10. BOARDS - BOARD RECORD

 ${\tt BOARDS-JOB\_INDEX, BRD\_INDEX, CODE, MAT\_INDEX, LENGTH, WIDTH, QTY\_STOCK, QTY\_USED, COST, STK\_FLAG, INFORMATION, MAT\_PARAM, GRAIN, TYPE, BIN, SUPPLIER}$ 

These records contain details of the board/sheet sizes to be used; one record for each different size/material.

JOB\_INDEX - Index number used to link this record to other records for this job.

BRD INDEX - index number linking this record with the PATTERNS records for this job.

CODE - Board code - usually the stock code for the sheet size.

MAT\_INDEX - Index of material used for this part.

LENGTH - Size of sheet in appropriate measurement unit.

WIDTH - Size of sheet in appropriate measurement unit.

QTY\_STOCK - Total number of sheets available – default 99999 (0=none) QTY\_USED - Total number of sheets this size used in patterns

COST - Cost per sq. metre or sq. foot according to measurement unit STK\_FLAG – Flag to indicate action if insufficient stock INFORMATION - Extra descriptive details about the sheet

MAT\_PARAM - Material parameters file name

#### GRAIN -

0 = No grain,

1 = grain along the length of the board

2 = grain along the width of the board

#### TYPE -

0 = Stock board

1 = Offcut

2 = Automatic offcut

BIN - Board location

SUPPLIER - Board supplier

#### ASCII/Unicode & Database examples

BOARDS,1,1,WLAM15MM-1,1,2550.0,1525.0,100, 7, 8.50,0

#### **BOARDS TABLE**

JOB_INDE X	BRD_INDEX	CODE	MAT_INDEX	LENGTH	WIDTH	
1	1	WLAM15MM-1	1	2550.0	1525.0	

#### 11. MATERIALS - MATERIAL RECORDS

MATERIALS - JOB\_INDEX, MAT\_INDEX, CODE, DESC, THICK, BOOK, KERF\_RIP, KERF\_XCT, TRIM\_FRIP, TRIM\_VRIP, TRIM\_FXCT, TRIM\_VXCT, TRIM\_HEAD, TRIM\_FRCT, TRIM\_VRCT, RULE1, RULE2, RULE3, RULE4, MAT\_PARAM, GRAIN, PICTURE, DENSITY

These records define the different material types. There should be a least one of these records in data structure. This record is used to pass a detailed material description, the thickness and other parameters which may vary according to material type.

JOB\_INDEX - Index number used to link this record to other records for this job.

MAT INDEX - Unique index of material used to link this record to other records

CODE - Material code

**DESC** - Material description

THICK - Material thickness in appropriate measurement mode

BOOK - Max sheets per book, reflects cutting height of saw

KERF\_RIP - Rip saw kerf – in unit of measurement KERF\_XCT - Crosscut saw kerf – in unit of measurement

TRIM\_FRIP - Fixed rip trim - includes saw kerf - amount sheet size is reduced by

TRIM VRIP - Minimum waste rip trim - minimum size of falling waste including saw kerf

TRIM FXCT - Fixed crosscut trim - includes saw kerf

TRIM\_VXCT - Minimum waste crosscut trim - minimum size of falling waste including saw kerf

TRIM\_HEAD - Internal head cut trim - includes saw kerf

TRIM FRCT - Fixed recut trim - includes saw kerf

TRIM VRCT - Minimum waste recut trim - minimum size of falling waste including saw kerf

RULE1 - Optimisation rule 1 - cut nesting limit - 1 to 9 (e.g. 3 = allow third phase recuts)

RULE2 - Optimisation rule 2 - head cuts allowed (0=No, 1 =Yes)

RULE3 - Optimisation rule 3 - board rotation allowed (short rip) (0=No, 1=Yes)

RULE4 - Optimisation rule 4 - show separate patterns for duplicate parts (0=No 1=Yes)

MAT\_PARAM - Material parameters file name

#### GRAIN -

0 = No grain,

1 = grain along the length of the board

2 = grain along the width of the board

PICTURE - Solid colour (e.g. "RGB(255:0:0)") or image file (e.g. "Teak.bmp")

DENSITY - Material density in metric tons per m3 or pounds per ft3 depending on the current measurement mode.

The saw kerf and trims are optional. Note that it is assumed that one of the two rip trims will be constant and the other rip trim includes the waste strip. Either (a) the leading edge is trimmed and the waste strip comes out last, or (b) the waste strip is removed by the first rip and the last rip is a constant trim. This assumption also applies to cross cut trims and recut trims.

#### ASCII/Unicode & Database examples

MATERIAL,1,1,WHITE18,"White laminate chipboard 18mm",18,4,4.8,4.8, 10,10,8,8,8,8,4,1,1,1,WLAM18,RGB(255:255:255),0.900

#### MATERIALS TABLE

JOB_INDE X	MAT_INDEX	CODE	DESC	THICK	
1	1	WHITE18	White Laminate - chipboard 18mm	18	

### 12. NOTES - NOTE RECORDS

NOTES - JOB\_INDEX, NOTES\_INDEX, TEXT

This record is optional and holds any messages or notes that need to be associated with a job, for example customer details, special instructions, etc, or any details that are job related rather than part or material related. As many lines as required can be stored for each job.

JOB\_INDEX - index linking note to job NOTES\_INDEX - index storing order of notes TEXT - text of note

Maximum length of text field is 250 characters.

ASCII/Unicode & Database examples

NOTES,1,1,"Customer ref. A1234-0987 - Smith Cabinets"

#### **NOTES TABLE**

JOB_INDEX	NOTES_INDEX	TEXT
1	1	Customer ref. A1234-0987 - Smith Cabinets

#### 13. OFFCUTS - RECORDS FOR OFF-CUTS

OFFCUTS - JOB\_INDEX, OFC\_INDEX, CODE, MAT\_INDEX, LENGTH, WIDTH, OFC\_QTY, GRAIN

This record is optional and can occur once for each different off-cut size per material created by the cutting patterns.

JOB INDEX - Index number used to link this record to other records for this job.

OFC\_INDEX - Unique index number of offcut used to link this record to the CUT record.

CODE - Offcut code or description - used to identify offcut.

 ${\sf MAT\_INDEX} \textbf{ -} \textbf{Index} \textbf{ of material used for this offcut. Enables offcuts of similar material composition, thickness}$ 

and colour, but different size to be grouped together.

LENGTH - Length of offcut in appropriate measurement unit

WIDTH - Width of offcut in appropriate measurement unit

OFC\_QTY - Quantity of this size produced

- GRAIN –
  0 = No grain,
  1 = grain along the length of the offcut
  2 = grain along the width of the offcut

## ASCII/Unicode & Database examples

OFFCUTS,1,1,WHITE15-123,2,1450.0, 425.0,1,0

## OFFCUTS TABLE

JOB_INDEX	OFC_INDEX	CODE	MAT_INDEX	LENGTH	
1	1	WHITE15-123	2	1450.0	

#### 14. PATTERNS - PATTERN RECORDS

 ${\tt PATTERNS-JOB\_INDEX,\ PTN\_INDEX,\ BRD\_INDEX,\ TYPE,\ QTY\_RUN,\ QTY\_CYCLES,\ MAX\_BOOK,\ PICTURE,\ CYCLE\_TIME,\ TOTAL\_TIME$ 

This record occurs once per pattern. It is used to describe header detail for the pattern, such as board size used, number of sheets to be cut etc.

JOB INDEX - Index number used to link this record to other records for this job.

PTN\_INDEX - Sequential number incrementing by 1 for each pattern record for each job.

BRD\_INDEX - Index number from the Boards records.

TYPE - determines the direction of the first cut, and the type of pattern

## Fixed Pattern

 $\overline{0 = \text{rip length}}$  first – non-head cut pattern

- 1 = turn board before ripping non-head cut pattern
- 2 = head cut pattern head cut across width
- 3 = head cut pattern head cut along length
- 4 = crosscut only

## Template Pattern

- 5 = Create master part divide at saw 6 = Create master part divide at machining centre
- 7 = Cut parts in main pattern
- 8 = Cut parts in separate pattern

QTY\_RUN - Run quantity - number of sheets to be cut to this pattern

QTY\_CYCLES - Number of cycles or books
MAX\_BOOK - Maximum number of sheets per book (cutting height)

PICTURE - Name of file containing picture of cutting pattern

CYCLE\_TIME - The time in seconds to cut a single cycle TOTAL\_TIME - The total time in seconds to cut all cycles

#### ASCII/Unicode & Database examples

PATTERNS,1,1,2,0,20,4,5,"Pattern1"

## PATTERNS TABLE

JOB_INDEX	PTN_INDEX	BRD_INDEX	TYPE	QTY_RUN	QTY_CYCLES
1	1	2	0	20	4

## 15. PTN UDI - INFO USED TO MATCH PARTS IN A STRIP

PTN\_UDI, JOB\_INDEX, PTN\_INDEX, BRD\_INDEX, STRIP\_INDEX, INFO1, INFO2,...INFO99

These records are used to indicate the matching information used when inserting parts in a strip. This record only applies when all parts in the strip must have the same information.

JOB\_INDEX - Index number used to link this record to other records for this job PTN\_INDEX - Sequential number incrementing by 1 for each pattern record for each job BRD\_INDEX - Index number from the Boards records STRIP\_INDEX - Strip number (top to bottom, left to right) INFOn - Info fields for matching parts in a strip

#### 16. CUTS - CUTTING INSTRUCTIONS

CUTS - JOB\_INDEX, PTN\_INDEX, CUT\_INDEX, SEQUENCE, FUNCTION, DIMENSION, QTY\_RPT, PART\_INDEX, QTY\_PART, COMMENT

These records define each cut for the saw and determine the parts produced by each cut. This is used, for example, so that the correct labels can be printed at the saw in synchronisation with the cutting.

JOB INDEX - Index number used to link this record to other records for this job.

PTN INDEX - Index number used to link this record with pattern records

CUT\_INDEX - Sequential index number incrementing by 1 for each cut record for each job

SEQUENCE - Cut sequence number indicating order in which cuts are processed by saw

FUNCTION - The type of cut:

0 = head cut

1 = rip cut

2 = cross cut

3 = 3<sup>rd</sup> phase / recut

4 = 4<sup>th</sup> phase /recut

Maximum phase = 9

90,91,92,93 = trim / waste cut corresponding to phase of cut (to override defaults)

DIMENSION - The size of cut in measurement units

QTY RPT - The repeat quantity for this cut

PART\_INDEX - 0 if no part produced or part index number in part or offcut records

QTY\_PART - Quantity of this part produced by this cut for all cycles of this pattern.

COMMENT - optional field to store narrative about the cut instruction

## Some points about the cut record

Some cuts produce several parts with different item numbers because although the parts may have the same size they will be labelled uniquely. This occurs when cutting multiple sheets in a book where the parts on different sheets have different item numbers. These duplicate parts are represented with dummy CUTS records showing the part index and part quantity but a zero dimension and zero cut quantity.

When cutting exact fit patterns (e.g. no trims, strip fits exactly in length of the board) some cuts will produce two parts side by side (e.g. the last cross cut in a strip). If this is the case the cut quantity of the last part will be set to zero, the dimension remains unchanged. Note that it is important that these records have a dimension so as to differentiate them from the dummy cut records for duplicate parts.

The Sequence number allows definition of different parts in a stack produced from the same cut. Note, the cuts are not listed in cut sequence because it is necessary to nest the 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and later phase cuts. The SEQUENCE number is optional, and if not given then the cutting sequence should be determined by the saw or a post-processor.

The PART\_INDEX (if not 0) points to the PARTS\_REQ records of relevant part or 'X' + OFC\_INDEX in OFFCUTS records.

The QTY\_PARTS field allows for the display of the correct part quantities for duplicate parts. In a pattern with run quantity 20, and cut 6 sheets at a time, then there will be 4 cycles or books (3 with 6 sheets and 1 with 2 sheets). Say the first part in the top left corner is a mixture of 14 parts item 1, and 6 parts item 2. The first book at the appropriate cut will produce quantity 6 labels of item 1, the second book also 6 of 1, the third book will produce 2 labels of item1 and 4 of item 2, and the last book will give 2 of item 2. In this example, the CUTS records would show two cut lines, item 1 quantity 14, and item 2 quantity 6. The saw takes care of counting the cycles.

Note that the Sequence number will increment by the repeat quantity for that cut. In example below, CUTS 1,1,2 has repeat 3, indicating three cuts, so sequence number 4 implies 4/5/6 and the next sequence number is incremented by 3.

### ASCII/Unicode & Database examples

Notes in italics are for information only and not part of the file

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CUTS,1,1,1,1,1,500.0,1,0,0,"Job 1 - Ptn 1 - Rip" - rip 1 strip 500 wide

CUTS,1,1,2,3,2,800.0,3,1,14 - crosscut 500 strip at 800mm x3 > part 1 qty 14

CUTS,1,1,3,0,2,0.0,0,2,1 - and part 2 x qty 1

CUTS,1,1,4,2,1,200.0,1,0,0,"Rip" - rip 1 strip 200mm wide

CUTS,1,1,5,4,2,1400.0,1,8,5 - crosscut at 1400mm producing part 8

CUTS,1,1,6,0,2,0,0,X3,20 - and offcut 3
```

#### **CUTS TABLE**

JOB_INDEX	PTN_INDEX	CUT_INDEX	SEQUENCE	FUNCTION	DIMENSION	
1	1	1	1	1	500.0	
1	1	2	3	2	800.0	
1	1	3	0	2	0.0	
1	1	4	2	1	200.0	
1	1	5	4	2	1400.0	
1	1	6	0	2	0.0	

#### 17. VECTORS - INSTRUCTIONS FOR PATTERN DRAWING

VECTORS - JOB\_INDEX, PTN\_INDEX, CUT\_INDEX, X\_START, Y\_START, X\_END, Y\_END

This table holds an optional description of the pattern as a set of vectors.

JOB\_INDEX - Index number used to link this record to other records for this job

PTN\_INDEX - This is an index number used to link this to the PATTERN record

CUT INDEX - This is an index number to relate the vector to the CUT record

X\_START - Start co-ordinate of cut in X (always positive) Y\_START - Start co-ordinate of cut in Y (always positive)

X END - End co-ordinate of cut in X (always positive)

Y END - End co-ordinate of cut in Y (always positive)

The origin of the drawing is defined in the HEADER record. The x and y positions specify the distance to include the saw kerf, away from origin. So, a 10 mm trim would result in a vector at x=10, where if saw kerf is 4.5, then waste removed is 5.5. The position for cuts producing parts must include all saw kerfs. Note that unlike the CUT records where all dimensions are relative, in these records all dimensions are absolute values.

#### ASCII/Unicode & Database examples

Notes in italics are for information only and not part of the file.

VECTORS,1,1,1,0.0,0.0,3660.0,10.0

VECTORS,1,1,2,0.0,315.0,3660.0,315.0 - rip 300 wide strip -absolute dimension

VECTORS,1,1,5,5.2,10.0,10.0,315.0

## **VECTORS TABLE**

JOB_INDE X	PTN_INDEX	CUT_INDEX	X_START	Y_START	X_END	Y_END
1	1	1	0.0	0.0	3660.0	10.0
1	1	2	0.0	315.0	3660.0	315.0
1	1	5	5.2	10.0	10.0	315.0

#### 18. EXAMPLE OF PATTERN EXCHANGE STRUCTURE

The following example relates to example order batch A123 containing one job number 00011 comprising 6 sample patterns for which printouts are included. The patterns are designed to show a variety of different cutting situations in as few patterns as possible, and therefore are unusual and non-optimal rather than typical examples. Text in italics enclosed in square brackets[] is for information only. The fields have been spaced out for ease of reading.

Notes in [] are for information only and not part of the file.

#### Filename = A123.PTX

```
[file starts with header record]
HEADER, 1, This is a sample PTX file for batch A123", 0, 0, 1
[version1,millimetres,top-to-bottom, fixed first trim]
JOBS,1,00010, "Example run 10",,,,1,1432,16.14
[data for parts - would also include data for label]
PARTS_REQ,1,1,P1,1, 1200.0, 725.0, 9,0,0,0, 9,0,0,0
PARTS_REQ,1,2,P2,1, 1200.0, 725.0, 8,0,0,0, 8,0,0,0
PARTS_REQ,1,3,P3,1, 1272.6, 600.0, 7,0,0,0, 7,0,0,0
PARTS_REQ,1,4,P4,1, 790.0, 450.0, 4,0,0,0, 4,0,0,0
PARTS_REQ,1,5,P5,1, 580.0, 200.0,20,2,0,0,20,0,0,0
PARTS_REQ,1,6,P6,2, 1400.0, 300.0, 5,0,0,0, 5,0,0,0
PARTS_REQ,1,7,P7,2, 650.0, 275.0,14,0,0,0,14,0,0,0
PARTS_REQ,1,8,P8,2, 480.0, 230.0,20,3,0,0,23,0,0,0
PARTS_REQ,1,9,P9,1, 600.0, 200.0, 7,2,0,0, 9,0,0,0
PARTS_REQ,1,10,P10,2,480.0, 400.0, 3,0,0,0, 3,0,0,0
[data for board (sheet) sizes]
BOARDS,1,1,WHLAM15MM-1,1,2550.0,1525.0, 436,6,2.540,0,Bin 1,,0,0,,
BOARDS,1,2,WHLAM15MM-2,1,3660.0,1830.0, 178,1,2.430,0,Bin 1,WLAM15-1,0,0,, BOARDS,1,3,MDF18-97, 2,2440.0,1220.0, 371,3,4.320,0,Bin 2,,0,0,,
[definition of materials]
MATERIALS,1,1,WHITE15, "White laminated chipboard 15mm", 15.0, 4,
4.8,4.8,10.0,0.0,10.0,0.0,5.0,10.0,10.0,4,1,1,0,WLAM15,0,
RGB(255:255:255),0.900
MATERIALS,1,2,MDF18, "Medium density fibreboard 18mm", 18.0, 3, 4.8,4.8,10.0,0.0,10.0,0.0,5.0,10.0,10.0,4,1,1,0,,0,
RGB(220:17:130),0.650
[data for off-cut sizes]
OFFCUTS,1,1, X00010/0001,1,675.8,1830.0,1
OFFCUTS, 1, 2, X00010/0002, 1, 1140.4, 450.0, 1
[patterns]
PATTERNS, 1, 1, 1, 0, 2, 1, 2, 83, 83
PATTERNS,1,1,1,0,2,1,2,83,83 [Job 1, Pattern 1, Board 1, Long rip, Qty 2] PATTERNS,1,2,1,1,3,1,3,128,128 [Job 1, Pattern 2, Board 1, Short rip, Qty 3]
PATTERNS,1,3,1,0,1,1,1,204,204 [Job 1, Pattern 3, Board 1, Long rip, Qty 1] PATTERNS,1,4,2,2,1,1,1,414,414 [Job 1, Pattern 4, Board 2, Head cut, Qty 1]
PATTERNS,1,5,3,2,2,1,2,301,301 [Job 1, Pattern 5, Board 3, Head cut, Qty 2] PATTERNS,1,6,3,2,1,1,1,302,302 [Job 1, Pattern 6, Board 3, Head cut, Qty 1]
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[cuts]
                1, 0,0,2550.0,
2, 1,91, 5.2,
CUTS, 1,
                                                0,MAIN [cut for job 1, ptn 1]
                                           Ο,
           1,
                                      0.
                                           Ο,
                     1,91, 5.2,
           1,
                                      1,
CUTS, 1,
           1,
                З,
                     2, 1, 725.0,
                                      1,
                                           Ο,
                                                 0,RIP[1 rips at 725 mm]
CUTS, 1,
                     4,92,
                             5.2,
                                           Ο,
                                                 0 [cross cut trim 5.2 mm]
           1,
                                      1,
CUTS, 1,
                     5, 2,1200.0,
                                                 4 [xcut at 1200 producing part1]
           1,
                5,
                                      2,
                                           1,
                     0,92, 130.4,
3, 1, 725.0,
CUTS, 1,
                                      Ο,
           1,
                6,
                                           0.
                                                 0 [falling waste length 130.4mm]
                                                 0,RIP [1 rip at 725 mm]
CUTS, 1,
                7,
           1,
                                      1,
                                           0,
CUTS, 1,
           1,
                8,
                     4,92, 5.2,
                                      1,
                                           Ο,
                                                 0 [cross cut trim 5.2 mm]
CUTS, 1,
           1,
                9,
                     5, 2,1200.0,
                                      2,
                                           1,
                                                 4 [crosscuts at 1200 part 1]
           1, 10,
CUTS, 1,
                     0,92, 130.4,
                                                 0 [falling waste length 130.4mm]
                                      0,
                                           Ο,
CUTS, 1,
          1,
               11.
                     0,91, 55.4,
                                     0.
                                           Ο,
                                                0 [falling waste width 55.4mm]
CUTS, 1,
           2,
                1,
                     0, 0,1525.0,
                                      Ο,
                                           Ο,
                                                 0,MAIN
CUTS, 1,
           2,
                2,
                     1,91, 5.2,
                                     1,
                                           Ο,
                                                 0 [rip trim]
CUTS, 1,
                3,
                     2, 1,1200.0,
                                                 0,RIP
           2,
                                      1,
                                           Ο,
CUTS, 1,
                     4,92, 5.2,
5, 2, 725.0,
           2,
                4,
                                      1,
                                           0,
                                      1,
                                           1,
CUTS, 1,
           2,
                5,
                                                 1 [xcut at 725 part 1 x 1...]
                6,
CUTS, 1,
           2,
                     0, 2,
                            0.0,
                                      Ο,
CUTS, 1,
           2,
                7,
                     6, 2, 725.0,
                                      1,
                                           2,
                                                 3 [xcut at 725 part 1 x 3]
CUTS, 1,
                     0,92, 55.4,
           2,
                8,
                                      Ο,
                                           Ο,
CUTS, 1,
                9,
                     3, 1,1272.6,
                                                 0.RIP
           2,
                                      1,
                                           Ο,
CUTS, 1,
           2,
               10,
                     7,92, 5.2,
                                      1,
                                           Ο,
                                                 n
CUTS, 1,
           2,
               11,
                     8, 2, 600.0,
CUTS, 1,
           2,
               12,
                     9, 2, 725.0,
                                      1,
                                           Ο,
CUTS, 1,
                    10,93,
                            5.2,
           2, 13,
                                           Ο,
                                      1,
CUTS, 1,
                    11, 3,1200.0,
           2,
               14,
                                      1,
                                           2,
                                                 3 [recut to 1200mm part 2]
CUTS, 1,
           2, 15,
                     0,93, 57.8,
                                      Ο,
                                           Ο,
                                           Ο,
CUTS, 1,
           2, 16,
                     0,92, 180.4,
                                      Ο,
CUTS, 1,
           2,
               17,
                     0,91, 57.8,
                                      Ο,
                                           Ο,
CUTS, 1,
                1,
                                      Ο,
                                           Ο,
           3,
                     0, 0,2550.0,
                                                0,MAIN
CUTS, 1,
           3,
                2,
                     1,91, 5.2,
                                     1,
                                           Ο,
                                                0 [rip trim]
CUTS, 1,
                     2, 1, 600.0,
                                                 0,RIP
                3,
                                           Ο,
CUTS, 1,
           З,
                4,
                     6, 2,1272.6,
                                      1,
                                                 1
                                           3,
CUTS, 1,
                5,
                     0, 2,1272.6,
                                      Ο,
           3,
                                           3,
                                                 1
CUTS, 1,
                     3, 1, 450.0,
           З,
                6,
                                      1,
                                           Ο,
                                                 0,RIP
CUTS, 1,
           З,
                7,
                     7,92, 5.2,
                                      1,
                                           Ο,
                                                 0 [xcut trim]
                8,
CUTS, 1,
                     8, 2, 790.0,
           3,
                                      1,
                                                 1 [cross cut producing part 4 x 1]
CUTS, 1,
                9,
                     9, 2, 600.0,
                                      1,
                                           Ο,
           3,
           3, 10, 10,93, 5.2,
CUTS, 1,
                                      1,
                                           Ο,
                                                 0 [recut trim]
                    11, 3, 200.0,
CUTS, 1,
           3,
               11,
                                     1,
                                           9,
                                                 1
                    12, 3, 200.0,
CUTS, 1,
           3,
               12,
                                      1,
                                           Ο,
                                                 0
CUTS, 1,
           3, 13, 13,94,
                            5.2,
                                                 0 [4th phase recut trim]
CUTS, 1,
           3, 14, 14, 4, 580.0,
                                                 1 [4th phase cut part 5]
                                      1,
                                           5,
                    0,94, 5.2,
0.93, 30.4,
CUTS, 1,
           3, 15,
                                      Ο,
                                           Ο,
                     0,93,
CUTS, 1,
           3, 16,
                                      0,
                                           0,
                                                 0
CUTS, 1,
           3,
               17,
                     0, 2,1140.4,
                                      Ο,
                                          х2,
                                                 1 [cut 9 also off-cut 2]
CUTS, 1,
           3, 18,
                                                 0,RIP
                     4, 1, 200.0,
                                           Ο,
CUTS, 1,
              19,
                    15,92,
                             5.2,
                                           Ο,
                                                 0 [xcut trim]
           3,
                                     1,
                    16, 2, 580.0,
CUTS, 1,
                                           5,
           3, 20,
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3, 21, 0,92, 200.8,
CUTS, 1,
                                          Ο,
                                                Ο,
            3, 22, 5, 1, 200.0,
3, 23, 15,92, 5.2,
3, 24, 16, 2, 580.0,
                                                       0,RIP
CUTS, 1,
                                          1,
CUTS, 1,
                                                Ο,
                                                       0
                                          1,
                                                5,
CUTS, 1,
                                           4,
                                                       4
                      0,92, 200.8,
0,91, 45.8,
            3, 25,
                                          Ο,
CUTS, 1,
                                                Ο,
                                                       n
CUTS, 1,
            3, 26,
                                          Ο,
                                                Ο,
                                                       0
          4, 1, 1, 0,2979.4,
4, 2, 2,91, 5.2,
CUTS, 1,
                                                Ο,
                                                       0,MAIN
                                          1,
CUTS, 1,
                                          1,
                                                Ο,
                                                       0
[rip trim]
                  3, 3, 1, 600.0,
CUTS, 1,
            4.
                                          1,
                                                Ο,
                                                       0,RIP
                  4, 8,92,
CUTS, 1,
            4,
                               5.2,
                                                Ο,
                                                       0
[xcut trim]
CUTS, 1, 4,
                  5,
                                                       2 [2 xcuts part 3 x 2]
                        9, 2,1272.6,
                                                3,
            4,
4,
CUTS, 1,
                  6, 11, 2, 200.0,
                                                       2 [2 xcuts producing part 9 x 2]
                                                9,
                                           2,
CUTS, 1,
            4, 7, 0,92, 5.0,
4, 8, 4, 1, 450.0,
                       0,92, 5.0,
                                           Ο,
                                                Ο,
                                                       n
CUTS, 1,
                                                Ο,
                                                       0,RIP
                9, 13,92,
CUTS, 1,
            4,
                                5.2,
                                          1,
                                                Ο,
                                                       0
[xcut trim]
CUTS, 1, 4, 10, 14, 2, 790.0,
CUTS, 1, 4, 11, 17, 2, 580.0,
CUTS, 1, 4, 12, 18,93, 5.2,
                                           З,
                                                4,
                                                       3 [3 xcuts producing part 4 x 3]
                                          1,
                                                Ο,
                                                Ο,
                                                       0
[recut trim]
                                                5,
CUTS, 1, 4, 13, 19, 3, 200.0,
                                                       2 [3^{rd} phase cuts part 5 x 2]
            4, 14, 0,93, 30.4,
4, 15, 0,92, 0.2,
4, 16, 5, 1, 200.0,
4, 17, 21,92, 5.2,
CUTS, 1,
                                          Ο,
                                                Ο,
CUTS, 1,
                                          Ο,
                                                Ο,
                                                Ο,
CUTS, 1,
                                          1,
                                                       0,RIP [3 strips xcut together]
CUTS, 1,
                                          1,
                                                Ο,
[xcut trim]
CUTS, 1,
                                                5,
            4, 18, 22, 2, 580.0,
                                                       3 [3 xcuts producing part 5 x 3]
                                          З,
CUTS, 1,
            4, 19, 25, 2, 600.0,
                                                9,
                                                       2 [2 xcuts producing part 9 x 2]
                                          2.
CUTS, 1,
            4, 20,
4, 21,
                     0,92, 5.4,
                                                       0
                                          Ο,
                                                Ο,
                        6, 1, 200.0,
CUTS, 1,
                                          1,
                                                Ο,
                                                       0,RIP
CUTS, 1, 4, 22, 21,92, 5.2, CUTS, 1, 4, 23, 22, 2, 580.0,
                                                Ο,
                                         1,
                                                       0
                                                5,
                                                       3 [xcuts with same sequence as
record 18]
CUTS, 1, 4, 24, 25, 2, 600.0, 2, 9, record 19] CUTS, 1, 4, 25, 0,92, 5.4, CUTS, 1, 4, 26, 7, 1, 200.0, 1, 0,
                                                       2 [xcuts with same sequence as
                                                       0, 0, 0
            4, 26, 7, 1, 200.0,
4, 27, 21,92, 5.2,
                                        1,
                                                       0,RIP
CUTS, 1,
                                          1,
                                                Ο,
                                                       0
CUTS, 1,
             4, 28, 22, 2, 580.0,
                                          3,
                                                5,
                                                       3 [xcuts with same as record 18]
CUTS, 1,
            4,
                 29, 25, 2, 600.0,
                                                9,
                                                       2 [xcuts with same as record 18]
                                           2,
           4, 30, 0,92, 5.4,
4, 31, 0,91, 146.0,
4, 32, 0, 0, 675.8,
CUTS, 1,
                                          Ο,
                                                Ο,
CUTS, 1,
                                         Ο,
                                               0,
CUTS, 1,
                                               х1,
                                                       1, HEAD [offcut produced]
CUTS, 1,
            5, 1, 1, 0,1415.0,
5, 2, 2,91, 5.2,
            5,
                                          1,
1,
                                                       0,MAIN [head cut at 1415.0]
                                                0,
CUTS, 1,
                                                Ο,
[rip trim]
CUTS, 1,
            5,
                  3,
                        3, 1, 300.0,
                                                Ο,
                                                       0,RIP [2 strips xcut together]
            5, 4, 7,92, 5.2,
                                         1, 0,
CUTS, 1,
[xcut trim]
                5, 8, 2,1400.0,
CUTS, 1, 5,
                                                6,
                                                       2
                                          1,
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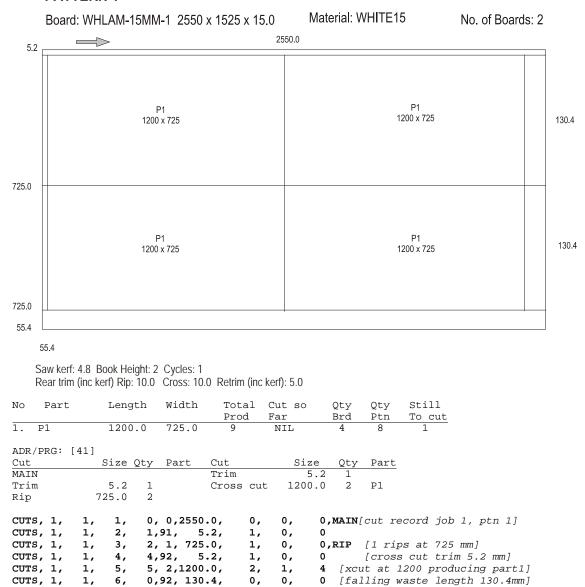
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CUTS, 1, 5, 6, 0,92, 0.2,
                                      Ο,
                                            Ο,
CUTS, 1,
           5, 7,
                      4, 1, 300.0,
                                                  0,RIP
CUTS, 1,
           5,
                8,
                      7,92,
                             5.2,
                                            Ο,
                                      1,
[xcut trim]
           5,
                9,
                     8, 2,1400.0,
                                      1,
                                            6,
                                                  2
CUTS, 1,
           5, 10,
CUTS, 1,
                     0,92, 0.2,
                                      Ο,
                                            Ο,
                                                  0
                     5, 1, 275.0,
                                            Ο,
CUTS, 1,
           5, 11,
                                                  0,RIP [2 strips xcut together]
CUTS, 1,
           5, 12,
                     9,92,
                            5.2,
                                      1,
                                            Ο,
[xcut trim]
           5, 13, 10, 2, 650.0,
5, 14, 0,92, 95.4,
CUTS, 1,
                                            7,
                                       2.
                                                  4
CUTS, 1,
                                       Ο,
                                            Ο,
                                                  0
                    6, 1, 275.0,
CUTS, 1,
           5, 15,
                                            Ο,
                                                  0,RIP
CUTS, 1,
           5, 16,
                     9,92,
                             5.2,
                                      1,
                                            Ο,
                                                  0
[xcut trim]
CUTS, 1,
           5, 17, 10, 2, 650.0,
                                       2,
                                            7,
                                                  4
                     0,92, 95.4,
0,91, 40.8,
CUTS, 1,
           5, 18,
                                       Ο,
                                            Ο,
                                                  0
CUTS, 1,
           5, 19,
                                      Ο,
                                            Ο,
                                                  0
CUTS, 1,
           5, 20,
                      0, 0,1020.2,
                                      Ο,
                                            Ο,
                                                  0,HEAD [start of head section]
           5, 21, 12,91, 5.2,
CUTS, 1,
                                      1,
                                            Ο,
[rip trim]
CUTS, 1,
           5,
               22, 13, 1, 650.0,
                                            Ο,
                                                  0.RIP
           5, 23, 16,92, 0.2,
5, 24, 17, 2, 275.0,
                                                  0 [xcut trim...head retrim - kerf]
CUTS, 1,
                                      1,
                                            Ο,
CUTS, 1,
                                      З,
                                            7,
                                                  6
           5, 25, 0,92, 175.8,
5, 26, 14, 1, 230.0,
CUTS, 1,
CUTS, 1,
                                            Ο,
                                                  0,RIP
                                      1,
                     20,92, 0.2,
CUTS, 1,
           5,
               27,
                                            Ο,
                                      1,
                                                  0
               28, 21, 2, 480.0,
CUTS, 1,
           5,
                                            8,
                                                  4
CUTS, 1,
           5,
               29,
                     0,92, 45.6,
                                       Ο,
                                            Ο,
                                                  0
CUTS, 1,
               30, 15, 1, 230.0,
                                                  0,RIP
           5,
                                      1,
                                            Ο,
                    20,92, 0.2,
21, 2, 480.0,
CUTS, 1,
           5,
               31,
                                      1,
                                            Ο,
                                                  0
CUTS, 1,
                                      2,
               32,
           5,
                                            8,
                     0,92, 45.6,
0,91, 85.6,
CUTS, 1,
           5,
               33,
                                      Ο,
                                            Ο,
                                                  n
CUTS, 1,
           5,
               34,
                                      Ο,
                                            Ο,
                                                  0
CUTS, 1,
           6,
                     1, 0,1464.6,
                                            Ο,
                                                  0,MAIN [head cut at 1464.6]
                1,
                                      1,
                    3,91, 5.2,
CUTS, 1,
           6,
                2,
                                      1,
                                            Ο,
                                                  0
                                                          [rip trim]
                3, 4, 1, 300.0,
                                                  0,RIP [rip main 300 x 1]
CUTS, 1,
           6,
                                      1,
                                            Ο,
                 4,
CUTS, 1,
           6,
                     8,92,
                             5.2,
                                      1,
                                            Ο,
                                                  0
                                                          [xcut trim]
                5, 9, 2,1400.0,
CUTS, 1,
           6,
                                      1,
                                            6,
                     0,92, 49.8,
5, 1, 400.0,
CUTS, 1,
           6,
                6,
                                      Ο,
                                            Ο,
                                                  0
CUTS, 1,
                7,
                                                  0,RIP [3 strips xcut together]
           6,
                                      1,
                                            Ο,
                                                  0
                8, 10,92,
CUTS, 1,
           6,
                             5.2,
                                      1,
                                            Ο,
                                                         [xcut trim]
CUTS, 1,
           6,
                9, 11, 2, 480.0,
                                       З,
                                           10,
                                                  3
                    0,92, 0.2,
6, 1, 230.0,
           6, 10,
CUTS, 1,
                                       Ο,
                                            Ο,
CUTS, 1,
                                                  0,RIP
           6,
               11,
                                            Ο,
                                      1,
               12, 10,92, 5.2,
CUTS, 1,
           6,
                                      1,
                                            Ο,
                                                  0
           6, 13, 11, 2, 480.0,
CUTS, 1,
                                            8,
                                                  3
                                      Ο,
                                            Ο,
CUTS, 1,
           6,
               14,
                      0,92,
                             0.2,
                                                  0
CUTS, 1,
           6, 15,
                      7, 1, 230.0,
                                            Ο,
                                                  0,RIP
                                      1,
                     10,92, 5.2,
11, 2, 480.0,
CUTS, 1,
           6, 16,
                                            0.
                                                  0
CUTS, 1,
           6, 17,
                                      З,
                                            8,
                                                  3
                      0,92,
CUTS, 1,
           6, 18,
                             0.2,
                                            Ο,
                                                  0
CUTS, 1,
           6, 19,
                     0,91, 30.8,
                                      Ο,
                                            Ο,
                                                  0
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CUTS, 1, 6, 20, 2, 0, 480.0,
CUTS, 1, 6, 21, 14,91, 5.2,
                                                                                     1, 0, 0, HEAD [head section]
1, 0, 0
[rip trim]
CUTS, 1, 6, 22, 15, 1, 230.0,
CUTS, 1, 6, 23, 0,91, 36.0,
CUTS, 1, 6, 24, 0, 0, 485.8,
CUTS, 1, 6, 25, 20,91, 5.2,
CUTS, 1, 6, 26, 21, 1, 480.0,
CUTS, 1, 6, 27, 23, 2, 230.0,
CUTS, 1, 6, 28, 0,92, 16.2,
CUTS, 1, 6, 29, 22, 1, 480.0,
CUTS, 1, 6, 30, 23, 2, 230.0,
CUTS, 1, 6, 31, 0,92, 16.2,
CUTS, 1, 6, 31, 0,92, 16.2,
CUTS, 1, 6, 32, 0,91, 240.4,
 [rip trim]
                                                                                                     8, 5,RIP
                                                                                      0, 0,
0, 0,
                                                                                                                  0
                                                                                                              O,HEAD
                                                                                                     Ο,
                                                                                         1,
                                                                                                     Ο,
                                                                                                                  0,RIP [2 strips xcut together]
                                                                                         2,
                                                                                                     8,
                                                                                                     Ο,
                                                                                       Ο,
                                                                                     1, 0,
2, 8,
0, 0,
0, 0,
                                                                                                                  0,RIP [2 strips xcut together]
                                                                                                                  2
                                                                                                                   0
                                                                                                                  0
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#### 19. EXAMPLES

## **PATTERN 1**

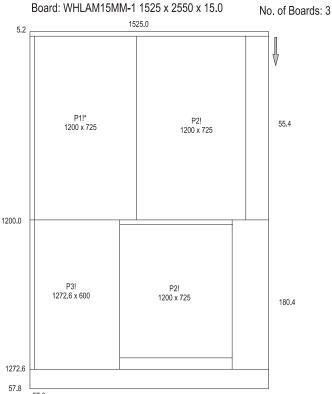


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CUTS, 1,
                      3, 1, 725.0,
           1,
                7,
                                       1,
                                            Ο,
                                                  0,RIP [1 rip at 725 mm]
           1, 8,
1, 9,
CUTS, 1,
                      4,92, 5.2,
                                       1,
                                            Ο,
                                                  0 [cross cut trim 5.2 mm]
CUTS, 1,
                      5, 2,1200.0,
0,92, 130.4,
                                                  4
                                                      [crosscuts at 1200 part 1]
                                       2,
                                            1,
                                       Ο,
                                            Ο,
           1, 10,
                                                      [falling waste length 130.4mm]
                                                  0
CUTS, 1,
                      0,91, 55.4,
           1,
               11,
                                       Ο,
                                            Ο,
                                                      [falling waste width 55.4mm]
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## PATTERN 2

Material: WHITE15



Saw kerf: 4.8 Book Height: 3 Cycles: 1 Rear trim (inc kerf) Rip: 10.0 Cross: 10.0 Retrim (inc kerf): 5.0

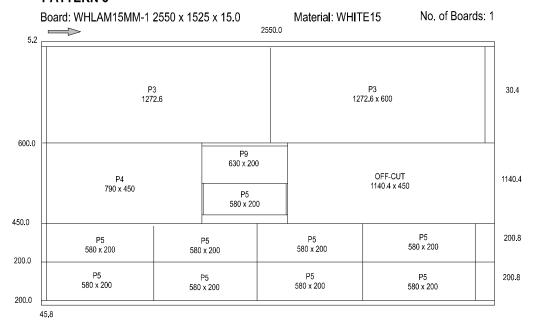
57.8

No	Part	Length	Width	Total Prod	Cut so Far	Qty Brd	~ -	Still To cut
1.	P1	1200.0	725.0	9	8	_	1	NIL
2.	P2	1200.0	725.0	8	NIL	-	8	NIL
3.	P3	1272.6	600.0	7	NIL	1	3	4
ADR	/PRG: [41]							
Cut		Size Qty	Part	Cut	Size	Qty	Part	

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1272.6 1
MAIN
                                  Rip
                5.2 1
00.0 1
Trim
                                  Trim
                                                 5.2 1
Rip
             1200.0
                                  Cross cut
                                                600.0
                                                        1
                                                            P3
 Trim
 Trim 5.2 1
Cross cut 725.0 1 P1
Cross cut 725.0 1 P2
                                  Cross cut
                                               725.0
                                Recut
Recut
                                                5.2
                                                        1
                                              1200.0 1 P2
            2,
                 1, 0, 0,1525.0,
                                              Ο,
CUTS, 1,
                                                   0,MAIN
CUTS, 1,
            2,
                 2, 1,91, 5.2,
3, 2, 1,1200.0,
                                              Ο,
                                                   0 [rip trim]
                                         1,
                                              Ο,
                                                    0,RIP
            2,
                                         1,
CUTS, 1,
            2,
                  4,
                       4,92,
                              5.2,
                                         1,
                                              Ο,
                                                    0
CUTS, 1,
            2,
                 5,
                       5, 2, 725.0,
                                         1,
                                              1,
                                                     1 [xcut at 725 part 1 x 1...
                      0, 2, 0.0,
6, 2, 725.0,
0,92, 55.4,
CUTS, 1,
                 6,
                                         Ο,
                                                     2 ... and part 2 x 2]
            2,
                                              2,
CUTS, 1,
            2,
                                              2,
                                                     3 [xcut at 725 part 2 x 3]
                 7,
                                         1,
                                              Ο,
            2,
                 8,
                                         Ο,
                                                     0
            2, 9,
2, 10,
                      3, 1,1272.6,
CUTS, 1,
                                         1,
                                              Ο,
                                                     0,RIP
CUTS, 1,
                       7,92, 5.2,
                                         1,
                                              Ο,
                                                     0
                       8, 2, 600.0,
CUTS, 1,
            2, 11,
                                         1,
                                                     3
                                              3,
CUTS, 1,
                      9, 2, 725.0,
10,93, 5.2,
11, 3,1200.0,
            2, 12,
2, 13,
                                              Ο,
                                         1,
                                                     0
                                         1,
                                              Ο,
                                                     0
           2, 14,
2, 15,
2, 16,
CUTS, 1,
                                              2,
                                                     3 [recut to 1200mm part 2]
                      0,93, 57.8,
0,92, 180.4,
CUTS, 1,
                                         Ο,
                                              Ο,
                                                     0
CUTS, 1,
                                        Ο,
                                              Ο,
                                                     0
CUTS, 1,
                                              Ο,
          2, 17,
                     0,91, 57.8,
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# **PATTERN 3**



Saw kerf: 4.8 Book Height: 1 Cycles: 1
Rear trim (inc kerf) Rip: 10.0 Cross: 10.0 Retrim (inc kerf): 5.0

No	Part	Leng	gth	Width	Total	Cut	so	Qty	Qty	Still
					Prod	Far		Brd	Ptn	To cut
3.	Р3	127	2.6	600.0	7	3	3	2	2	2
4.	P4	79	0.0	450.0	4	NII		1	1	3
5.	P5	58	0.0	200.0	20	NII		9	9	11
9.	P9	60	0.0	200.0	7	NII	_	1	1	8
ADR Cut	/PRG: [4:	1] Size	Oty	Part	Cut		Size	Qty	Part	
MAI		SIZE	QLY	Part			5.2	1	Part	
			_		Recut			_	_	
Tri		5.2			Recut		200.0	1	P9	
Rip		600.0	1		Recut		200.0	1		
C	ross cut	1250.0	1	P3	Recut		5.2	1		
				P3	Rec	ut	580.0	1	P5	
Rip		450.0	1		Rip		200.0	2		
Т	rim	5.2	1		Trim		5.2	1		
C	ross cut	790.0	1	P4	Cross	cut	580.0	4	P5	
C	ross cut	630.0	1							
CIIT	g 1	2 1	0	0 2550	0 0	0	0	маті	ī	

CUTS,	1,	3,	1,	0, 0,2550.0,	Ο,	0,	0,MAIN	
CUTS,	1,	3,	2,	1,91, 5.2,	1,	0,	0	[rip trim]
CUTS,	1,	3,	3,	2, 1, 600.0,	1,	0,	0,RIP	

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CUTS, 1, 3, 4, 6, 2,1272.6, CUTS, 1, 3, 5, 0, 2,1272.6, CUTS, 1, 3, 6, 3, 1, 450.0, CUTS, 1, 3, 7, 7,92, 5.2, CUTS, 1, 3, 8, 8, 2, 790.0, CUTS, 1, 3, 9, 9, 2, 600.0, CUTS, 1, 3, 10, 10,93, 5.2, CUTS, 1, 3, 11, 11, 3, 200.0, CUTS, 1, 3, 11, 11, 3, 200.0, CUTS, 1, 3, 12, 12, 3, 200.0, CUTS, 1, 3, 13, 13, 14, 5.2.
                                                                              З,
                                                                                         0,RIP
                                                                              Ο,
                                                                     1,
                                                                             Ο,
                                                                     1,
                                                                                                      [xcut trim]
                                                                                        0
                                                                                                      [cross cut part 4 \times 1]
                                                                     1,
                                                                                        1
                                                                     1,
                                                                              Ο,
                                                                                         0
                                                                     1,
                                                                              Ο,
                                                                                                     [recut trim]
                                                                              9,
                                                                    1,
                                                                                        1
                                                                     1,
                                                                              Ο,
                                                                                        0
                                                                                                   [4<sup>th</sup> phase recut trim]
[4<sup>th</sup> phase cut part 5]
CUTS, 1,
                    3, 13, 13,94, 5.2,
3, 14, 14, 4, 580.0,
                                                                    1,
                                                                              Ο,
                                                                                        0
                                                                     1,
                                                                              5,
                                                                                        1
                    3, 15, 0,94, 5.2,
3, 16, 0,93, 30.4,
CUTS, 1,
                                                                     Ο,
                                                                              Ο,
CUTS, 1,
                    3, 16, 0,93, 30.4,
3, 17, 0, 2,1140.4,
                                                                    Ο,
                                                                             Ο,
                                                                                        0
                                                                           х2,
                                                                                                      [cut 9 also off-cut 2]
                                                                     Ο,
                                                                                        1
                    3, 18, 4, 1, 200.0,
3, 19, 15,92, 5.2,
3, 20, 16, 2, 580.0,
3, 21, 0,92, 200.8,
3, 22, 5, 1, 200.0,
                                                                                       0,RIP
CUTS, 1,
                                                                    1,
                                                                              Ο,
                                                                     1,
                                                                              Ο,
                                                                                         0
                                                                                                      [xcut trim]
CUTS, 1,
                                                                     4,
                                                                              5,
CUTS, 1,
                                                                    Ο,
                                                                              Ο,
                                                                                         0
                                                                             Ο,
                                                                                         0,RIP
                                                                    1,
                    3, 23, 15,92, 5.2,
3, 24, 16, 2, 580.0,
CUTS, 1,
                                                                              Ο,
                                                                                        0
                    3, 24,
3, 25,
                                                                              5,
                                                                                         4
CUTS, 1,
                                     0,92, 200.8,
                                                                              Ο,
CUTS, 1, 3, 26,
                                    0,91, 45.8,
                                                                   Ο,
                                                                             Ο,
                                                                                         0
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#### **PATTERN 4** No. of Boards: 1 Material: WHITE15 Board: WHLAM15MM-1 3660 x1830 x 15.0 3050.0 621.0 P9! 600 x 200 P9! 600 x 200 P3 1272.6 x 600 P3 1272.6 x 600 600.0 P5 580 x 200 OFFCUT 675.8 x 1830 P4 790 x 450 P4 790 x 450 P4 790 x 450 675.8 P5 580 x 200 450.0 P5 580 x 200 P9 630 x 200 P9 630 x 200 P5 580 x 200 P5 580 x 200 200.0 P5 580 x 200 P9 630 x 200 P5 580 x 200 P5 580 x 200 P9 630 x 200 200.0 P5 580 x 200 P5 580 x 200 P9 630 x 200 P5 580 x 200 200.0

Saw kerf: 4.8 Book Height: 1 Cycles: 1
Rear trim (inc kerf) Rip: 10.0 Cross: 10.0 Retrim (inc kerf): 5.0

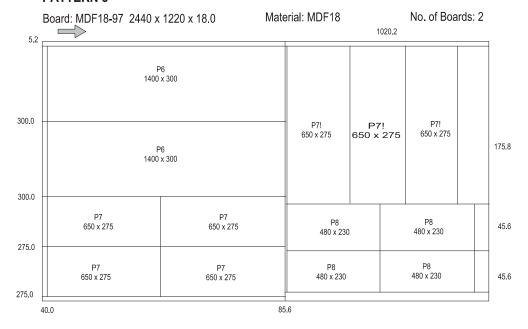
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No	Part	Len	gth	Width	Tota Prod		ıt so ır	Qty Brd		
3. P	3	127	2.6	600.0	7		5	2	2	NIL
4. P	4	79	0.0	450.0	4		1	3	3	NIL
5. P	5	58	0.0	200.0	20		9	11	11	NIL
9. P	9	60	0.0	200.0	7		1	8	8	NIL
ADR/P	PRG: [4	1]								
Cut		Size	Qty	Part	Cut		Size	Qty	Part	
Head	cut	2979.4	1		Cros	ss cut	790.0	3	P4	
MAIN					Cros	ss cut	580.0	1		
Trim		5.2	1		Re	ecut	5.2	1		
Rip		600.0	1		Re	ecut	200.0	2	P5	
Tri	.m	5.2	1		Rip		200.0	3		
Cro	ss cut	1272.6	2	P3	Trir	n	5.2	1		
Cro	ss cut	200.0	2	P9	Cros	ss cut	580.0	3	P5	
Rip		450.0	1		Cros	ss cut	630.0	2	P9	
_	.m	5.2								
CUTS,	1,	4, 1,	1,	0,2979	9.4,	1,	0, 0	,MAI	N	
CUTS,	1,	4, 2,	2,	91, 5	5.2,	1,	0, 0			
	trim]	•	•	•	•	-	•			
	1,	4, 3,	3,	1, 600	0.0,	1,	0, 0	,RIP		
	1,			92, 5		1,	0, 0	-		
	trim]	-, -,	٠,	, -	,	-,	,			

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CUTS, 1, 4, 5, 9, 2,1272.6,
CUTS, 1, 4, 6, 11, 2, 200.0,
                                               2,
                                                   3, 2 [2 xcuts producing part 3 x 2]
CUTS, 1, 4,
                                                     9,
                                                            2 [2 xcuts producing part 9 x 2]
              4,
4,
                    7, 0,92, 5.0,
8, 4, 1, 450.0,
                                                            0
CUTS, 1,
                                               Ο,
                                                     Ο,
CUTS, 1,
                                                            0,RIP
                                               1,
                                                     Ο,
             4, 9, 13,92, 5.2,
CUTS, 1,
                                                     0,
                                                            0
[xcut trim]
CUTS, 1, 4, 10, 14, 2, 790.0,
CUTS, 1, 4, 11, 17, 2, 580.0,
CUTS, 1, 4, 12, 18,93, 5.2,
                                                            3
                                                                [3 xcuts producing part 4 x 3]
                                              1,
                                                     Ο,
                                                     0,
                                              1.
                                                            0
[recut trim]
              4, 13, 19, 3, 200.0,
                                                            2 [3^{rd} phase cuts part 5 x 2]
CUTS, 1,
                                               2,
                                                     5,
             4, 14, 0,93, 30.4,
4, 15, 0,92, 0.2,
4, 16, 5, 1, 200.0,
4, 17, 21,92, 5.2,
                                                     Ο,
CUTS, 1,
                                               Ο,
                                                             0
CUTS, 1,
                                               Ο,
                                                     Ο,
                                                             0
CUTS, 1,
                                                            0,RIP [3 strips xcut together]
                                              1,
                                                     Ο,
CUTS, 1,
                                              1,
                                                     Ο,
                                                            0
[xcut trim]
             4, 18, 22, 2, 580.0,
4, 19, 25, 2, 600.0,
                                                     5,
                                                            3 [3 xcuts producing part 5 x 3]
2 [2 xcuts producing part 9 x 2]
CUTS, 1,
                                              3,
CUTS, 1,
                                              2,
                                                     9,
              4, 20, 0,92, 5.4,
4, 21, 6, 1, 200.0,
                                   5.4,
CUTS, 1,
                                               Ο,
                                                     Ο,
             4, 21, 6, 1, 200.0,
4, 22, 21,92, 5.2,
CUTS, 1,
                                                            0,RIP
                                              1.
                                                     0,
CUTS, 1,
                                               1,
                                                     Ο,
                                                            0
              4, 23, 22, 2, 580.0,
4, 24, 25, 2, 600.0,
                                                            3 [xcuts with same as record 18]
CUTS, 1,
                                               З,
                                                     5,
CUTS, 1,
                                               2,
                                                     9,
                                                             2 [xcuts with same as record 19]
              4, 25, 0,92, 5.4,
4, 26, 7, 1, 200.0,
CUTS, 1,
                                   5.4,
                                               Ο,
                                                     Ο,
CUTS, 1,
              4, 26, 7, 1, 200.0,
4, 27, 21,92, 5.2,
                                                            0,RIP
                                              1.
                                                     0,
                                               1,
                                                     Ο,
                                                            0
              4, 28, 22, 2, 580.0,
4, 29, 25, 2, 600.0,
CUTS, 1,
                                                     5,
                                                             3 [xcuts with same as record 18]
CUTS, 1,
                                                     9,
                                                             2 [xcuts with same as record 18]
CUTS, 1, 4, 30, 0,92, 5.4,
CUTS, 1, 4, 31, 0,91, 146.0,
CUTS, 1, 4, 32, 0, 0, 675.8,
                                             0, 0,
                                             0, 0,
0, X1,
                                                            0
                                                           1,HEAD [offcut produced]
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# **PATTERN 5**



Saw kerf: 4.8 Book Height: 2 Cycles: 1 Rear trim (inc kerf) Rip: 10.0 Cross: 10.0 Retrim (inc kerf): 5.0

No	Part	Length	Width	Total	Cut so	Qty	Qty	Still
				Prod	Far	Brd	Ptn	To cut
6.	P6	1400.0	300.0	5	NIL	2	4	1
7.	P7	650.0	275.0	14	NIL	7	14	NIL
8.	P8	480.0	230.0	23	NIL	4	8	15

ADR/PRG: [41]

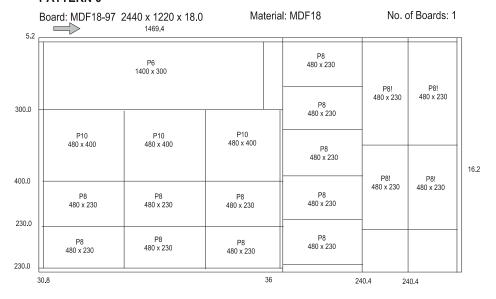
ADIC/IICO.	11]						
Cut	Size	Qty	Part	Cut	Size	Qty	Part
Head cut	1415.0	1		HEAD 1			
MAIN				Trim	5.2	1	
Trim	5.2	1		Rip	650.0	1	
Rip	300.0	2		Trim	0.2	1	
Trim	5.2	1		Cross cut	275.0	3	P7
Cross cu	t 1400.0	1	P6	Rip	230.0	2	
Rip	275.0	2		Trim	0.2	1	
Trim	5.2	2 1		Cross cut	480.0	2	P8
Cross cu	t 650.0	2	P7				

CUTS, 1, 5, 1, 1, 0,1415.0, CUTS, 1, 5, 2, 2,91, 5.2, [rip trim] 1, Ο, **0,MAIN** [head cut at 1415.0] 2, 2,91, 5.2, Ο, CUTS, 1, 5, 3, CUTS, 1, 5, 4, [xcut trim] 3, 1, 300.0, 1, Ο, 0,RIP [2 strips xcut together] Ο, 7,92, 5.2, 1,

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CUTS, 1, 5, 5, 8, 2,1400.0,
CUTS, 1, 5, 6, 0,92, 0.2,
                                           1,
                                                 6,
                                                        2
                  6, 0,92, 0.2,
7, 4, 1, 300.0,
                                           Ο,
                                                 Ο,
CUTS, 1,
                  7,
             5,
5,
                                                        0,RIP
                                                 Ο,
                                           1,
CUTS, 1,
                        7,92, 5.2,
                                                 Ο,
                  8,
                                           1,
                                                        0
[xcut trim]
            5,
                  9,
                        8, 2,1400.0,
CUTS, 1,
                                           1,
                                                 6,
            5, 10, 0,92, 0.2,
5, 11, 5, 1, 275.0,
CUTS, 1,
                                           Ο,
                                                 Ο,
CUTS, 1,
             5, 11,
5, 12,
                                                 Ο,
                                                        0,RIP [2 strips xcut together]
                                           1,
CUTS, 1,
                        9,92, 5.2,
                                                 Ο,
                                           1.
[xcut trim]
            5,
                 13, 10, 2, 650.0,
CUTS, 1,
             5, 14,
5, 15,
5, 16,
                       0,92, 95.4,
6, 1, 275.0,
                                                 Ο,
CUTS, 1,
                                           Ο,
                                                        0
CUTS, 1,
                                           1,
                                                 Ο,
                                                        0,RIP
                      9,92,
CUTS, 1,
                                5.2,
                                                 Ο,
                                           1,
[xcut trim]
                                                 7,
            5, 17, 10, 2, 650.0,
CUTS, 1,
                                           2.
                                                        4
                       0,92, 95.4,
0,91, 40.8,
CUTS, 1,
             5, 18,
                                           Ο,
                                                 Ο,
                                                        0
CUTS, 1,
             5, 19,
                                           Ο,
                                                 Ο,
                                                        0
             5, 20, 0, 0,1020.2,
CUTS, 1,
                                                        0,HEAD [start of head section]
                                           Ο,
                                                 Ο,
             5, 21, 12,91, 5.2,
                                                 Ο,
CUTS, 1,
                                           1.
[rip trim]
CUTS, 1,
             5, 22, 13, 1, 650.0,
5, 23, 16,92, 0.2,
                                                       0,RIP
                                           1,
                                                 Ο,
                                           1,
                                                 Ο,
                                                        0 [xcut trim...head retrim - kerf]
CUTS, 1,
             5, 24, 17, 2, 275.0,
                                           3,
                                                 7,
                 25, 0,92, 175.8,
26, 14, 1, 230.0,
             5, 25,
CUTS, 1,
                                           Ο,
                                                 Ο,
                                                        0
CUTS, 1,
             5,
                                           1,
                                                 Ο,
                                                        0.RIP
             5, 27, 20,92, 0.2,
5, 28, 21, 2, 480.0,
CUTS, 1,
                                           1,
                                                 Ο,
                                                        0
CUTS, 1,
                                                 8,
                                                        4
             5, 29, 0,92, 45.6,
5, 30, 15, 1, 230.0,
CUTS, 1,
                                                 Ο,
CUTS, 1,
                                           1,
                                                 Ο,
                                                        0,RIP
                       20,92, 0.2,
CUTS, 1,
             5,
                 31,
                                           1,
                                                 Ο,
                                                        0
CUTS, 1, 5, 32, 21, 2, 480.0,
CUTS, 1, 5, 33, 0,92, 45.6,
CUTS, 1, 5, 34, 0,91, 85.6,
                                                 8,
                                                        4
                                          Ο,
                                                 Ο,
                                                        0
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# **PATTERN 6**



Saw kerf: 4.8 Book Height: 1 Cycles: 1 Rear trim (inc kerf) Rip: 10.0 Cross: 10.0 Retrim (inc kerf): 5.0

No	Part	Length	Width	Total Prod	Cut so Far	Qty Brd	Qty Ptn	Still To cut
6.	P6	1400.0	300.0	5	4	1	1	NIL
8.	P8	480.0	230.0	23	8	15	15	NIL
10.	P10	480.0	400.0	3	NIL	3	3	NIL

ADR/PRG: [4	1]						
Cut	Size	Qty	Part	Cut	Size	Qty	Part
Head cut	1464.6	1		Cross cut	480.0	3	P8
MAIN				Head cut	480.0	1	
Trim	5.2	1		HEAD 1			
Rip	300.0	1		Trim	5.2	1	
Trim	5.2	1		Rip	230.0	5	P8
Cross cut	1400.0	1	P6	HEAD 2			
Rip	400.0	1		Trim	5.2	1	
Trim	5.2	1		Rip	480.0	2	
Cross cut	480.0	3 :	P10	Cross cu	t 230.0	2	P8
Rip	230.0	2					
Trim	5.2	1					
	6, 1,	1,	0,1464	.6, 1,	0, 0	, MAII	N [head cut at 1464.6]
CUTS, 1,	6, 2,	3,9	1, 5	.2, 1,	0, 0		[rip trim]
CUTS, 1,	6, 3,	4,	1, 300	.0, 1,	0, 0	,RIP	[rip main 300 x 1]

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CUTS, 1, 6, 4, 8,92, 5.2, CUTS, 1, 6, 5, 9, 2,1400.0, CUTS, 1, 6, 6, 0,92, 49.8, CUTS, 1, 6, 7, 5, 1, 400.0, CUTS, 1, 6, 8, 10,92, 5.2, CUTS, 1, 6, 9, 11, 2, 480.0,
                                           1, 0,
                                                       0 [xcut trim]
                                                 6,
                                           Ο,
                                                 Ο,
                                                         0
                                                        0,RIP [3 strips xcut together]
                                                 Ο,
                                           1,
                                           1,
                                                 Ο,
                                                         0
                                                                 [xcut trim]
                                            З,
                                                10,
                                                        3
             6, 10, 0,92, 0.2,
CUTS, 1,
                                                 Ο,
CUTS, 1,
             6, 11, 6, 1,
6, 12, 10,92,
                        6, 1, 230.0,
                                           1,
                                                 Ο,
                                                         0,RIP
                                 5.2,
                                           1,
                                                 Ο,
                                                        0
             6, 13, 11, 2, 480.0,
CUTS, 1,
                                                 8,
                                                         3
             6, 14,
                        0,92, 0.2,
                                           Ο,
                                                 Ο,
                                                         0
                       7, 1, 230.0,
CUTS, 1,
             6, 15,
                                                         0,RIP
                                           1,
                                                 Ο,
CUTS, 1,
             6, 16, 10,92,
                                 5.2,
                                                         0
                                           1,
                                                 Ο,
             6, 17, 11, 2, 480.0,
                                           З,
                                                 8,
                                                        3
                       0,92, 0.2,
0,91, 30.8,
CUTS, 1,
             6, 18,
                                           Ο,
                                                 Ο,
                                                         0
CUTS, 1,
             6, 19,
                                           Ο,
                                                 Ο,
                                                         0
CUTS, 1,
             6, 20, 2, 0, 480.0,
                                                        0, HEAD [head section]
                                           1,
                                                 Ο,
CUTS, 1,
             6, 21, 14,91,
                                 5.2,
                                           1,
                                                 Ο,
[rip trim]
                                                 8,
CUTS, 1,
             6, 22, 15, 1, 230.0,
                                           5,
                                                        5,RIP
             6, 23, 0,91, 36.0,
6, 24, 0,0,485.8,
                                           Ο,
                                                 Ο,
                                                         0
CUTS, 1,
                                           Ο,
                                                         0,HEAD
                                                 Ο,
             6, 25, 20,91, 5.2,
6, 26, 21, 1, 480.0,
CUTS, 1,
                                                 Ο,
                                                         0
                                           1,
CUTS, 1,
                                                        0,RIP [2 strips xcut together]
                                                 Ο,
                                           1,
CUTS, 1,
             6, 27, 23, 2, 230.0,
                                                 8,
                                                        2
CUTS, 1,
             6, 28,
                        0,92, 16.2,
                                           Ο,
                                                 Ο,
                                                         0
CUTS, 1,
             6, 29, 22, 1, 480.0,
                                                        0,RIP [2 strips xcut together]
                                           1,
                                                 Ο,
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           6, 32,
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#### 20. SUMMARY OF DATA STRUCTURE

This section summarises the position and format of each field in each record type. The maximum length of each text field is listed in the comment column. The range of acceptable values for other field types is listed where applicable. Please refer to earlier comments for a fuller explanation of fields.

Each field can be categorised by one of the following types.

DIM Dimension. Number single. When working in millimetres these range from 0.0 to 9999.9. When working in decimal inches dimensions must range from 0.000 to 999.9

FLT Number single. Floating point value.

IDX Index. Number integer. These are integer values which are used to link records. For example all data for a particular job must have the same job index.

INT Number integer.

QTY A long integer used to store quantity. No quantity can be greater than 99999.

TXT A text field used to store information

Note that spaces are not allowed in the material code, and any spaces will be converted to an underscore ('\_') on import. Also note that material, part and board codes are converted to upper case on import.

The job records must have unique job index numbers starting at 1, and incrementing consecutively within specified range. The part, board and pattern records must each have their respective index numbers unique within the job, and again be numbered from 1 and incremented consecutively.

#### 'HEADER' RECORD

No.	Name	Description	Туре	Comment	MDB
1	VERSION	File version	TXT	Set to 1.06	Text
2	TITLE	File title	TXT	25 chars max.	Text
3	UNITS	Measurement mode	INT	0,1	Number-Integer
4	ORIGIN	Pattern origin	INT	0-3	Number-Integer
5	TRIM_TYPE	Fixed trim front or rear?	INT	0,1	Number-Integer

#### 'JOBS' RECORD

No.	Name	Description	Туре	Comment	MDB
1	JOB_INDEX	Job index	IDX	1-250	Number-Integer
2	NAME	Job number/name	TXT	50 chars max.	Text
3	DESC	Job description	TXT	50 chars max	Text
4	ORD_DATE	Date of order	TXT	DD/MM/YYYY	
5	CUT_DATE	Date for cutting	TXT	DD/MM/YYYY	
6	CUSTOMER	Customer code	TXT	100 chars max.	Text
7	STATUS	Job status	INT	0,1,2	Number- Integer
8	OPT_PARAM	Optimising parameters	TXT	50 chars max.	Text
9	SAW_PARAM	Saw parameters	TXT	50 chars max.	Text
10	CUT_TIME	Total cut time	INT		Number-Long Int
11	WASTE_PCNT	Waste percentage	FLT		Number-Single

### 'PARTS\_REQ' RECORD

N	Name	Description	Туре	Comment	MDB
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1	JOB_INDEX	Job index	IDX	1-250	Number- Integer
2	PART_INDEX	Part index	IDX	1-9999	Number- Integer
3	CODE	Part code	TXT	50 chrs max	Text
4	MAT_INDEX	Material index	IDX	1-9999	Number- Integer
5	LENGTH	Part length	DIM		Number-Single
6	WIDTH	Part width	DIM		Number-Single
7	QTY_REQ	Number of pieces	QTY	Max 99999	Number-Long Int
8	QTY_OVER	Max over production	QTY	Max 99999	Number-Long Int
9	QTY_UNDER	Max under production	QTY	Max 99999	Number-Long Int
10	GRAIN	Grain	INT	0,1,2	Number-Integer
11	QTY_PROD	Num pieces produced	QTY	Max 99999	Number-Long Int
12	UNDER_PROD_ERROR	Num pieces under produced because of an error	QTY	Max 99999	Number-Long Int
13	UNDER_PROD_ALLOWED	Num pieces under produced because of allowed unders	QTY	Max 99999	Number-Long Int
14	UNDER_PROD_PLUSPART	Num plus part pieces under produced	QTY	Max 99999	Number-Long Int

#### 'PARTS\_INF' RECORD

No.	Name	Description	Type	Comment	MDB
1	JOB_INDEX	Job index	IDX	1-250	Number-Integer
2	PART_INDEX	Part index	IDX	1-9999	Number-Integer
3	DESC	Second part desc	TXT	200 chars max	Text
4	LABEL_QTY	Label quantity	TXT	200 chars max	Text
5	FIN_LENGTH	Finished length	TXT	200 chars max	Text
6	FIN_WIDTH	Finished width	TXT	200 chars max	Text
7	ORDER	Original order	TXT	200 chars max	Text
8	EDGE1	Btm length edge code	TXT	200 chars max	Text
9	EDGE2	Top length edge code	TXT	200 chars max	Text
10	EDGE3	Left width edge code	TXT	200 chars max	Text
11	EDGE4	Right width edge code	TXT	200 chars max	Text
12	EDG_PG1	Bottom edge program	TXT	200 chars max	Text
13	EDG_PG2	Top edge program	TXT	200 chars max	Text
14	EDG_PG3	Left edge program	TXT	200 chars max	Text
15	EDG_PG4	Right edge program	TXT	200 chars max	Text
16	FACE_LAM	Face laminate	TXT	200 chars max	Text
17	BACK_LAM	Back laminate	TXT	200 chars max	Text
18	CORE_MAT	Core material	TXT	200 chars max	Text
19	PALLET	Pallet layout	TXT	200 chars max	Text
20	DRAWING	Name of drawing file	TXT	200 chars max	Text
21	PRODUCT	Product code	TXT	200 chars max	Text
22	PROD_INFO	Product description	TXT	200 chars max	Text
23	PROD_WIDTH	Product width	TXT	200 chars max	Text
24	PROD_HGT	Product height	TXT	200 chars max	Text
25	PROD_DEPTH	Product depth	TXT	200 chars max	Text
26	PROD_NUM	Product number	TXT	200 chars max	Text
27	ROOM	Room/group	TXT	200 chars max	Text
28	BARCODE1	Data for first barcode	TXT	200 chars max	Text
29	BARCODE2	Data for second barcode	TXT	200 chars max	Text
30	COLOUR	Extended colour name	TXT	200 chars max	Text
31	SECOND_CUT_LENGTH	Length prior to second cut	TXT	200 chars max	Text
32	SECOND_CUT_WIDTH	Width prior to second cut	TXT	200 chars max	Text

### 'PARTS\_UDI' RECORD

No.	Name	Description	Туре	Comment	MDB
1	JOB INDEX	Job index	IDX	1-250	Number-Integer
2	PART INDEX	Part index	IDX	1-9999	Number-Integer
3	INFO1	Information field 1	TXT	200 chars max	Text
4	INFO2	Information field 2	TXT	200 chars max	Text
5	INFO3	Information field 3	TXT	200 chars max	Text
6	INFO4	Information field 4	TXT	200 chars max	Text
7	INFO5	Information field 5	TXT	200 chars max	Text
8	INFO6	Information field 6	TXT	200 chars max	Text
9	INFO7	Information field 7	TXT	200 chars max	Text
10	INFO8	Information field 8	TXT	200 chars max	Text
11	INFO9	Information field 9	TXT	200 chars max	Text
12	INFO10	Information field 10	TXT	200 chars max	Text
13	INFO11	Information field 11	TXT	200 chars max	Text
14	INFO12	Information field 12	TXT	200 chars max	Text
15	INFO13	Information field 13	TXT	200 chars max	Text
16	INFO14	Information field 14	TXT	200 chars max	Text
17	INFO15	Information field 15	TXT	200 chars max	Text
18	INFO16	Information field 16	TXT	200 chars max	Text
19	INFO17	Information field 17	TXT	200 chars max	Text
20	INFO18	Information field 18	TXT	200 chars max	Text
21	INFO19	Information field 19	TXT	200 chars max	Text
22	INFO20	Information field 20	TXT	200 chars max	Text
23	INFO21	Information field 21	TXT	200 chars max	Text
24	INFO22	Information field 22	TXT	200 chars max	Text
25	INFO23	Information field 23	TXT	200 chars max	Text
26	INFO24	Information field 24	TXT	200 chars max	Text
27	INFO25	Information field 25	TXT	200 chars max	Text
28	INFO26	Information field 26	TXT	200 chars max	Text
29	INFO27	Information field 27	TXT	200 chars max	Text
30	INFO28	Information field 28	TXT	200 chars max	Text
31	INFO29	Information field 29	TXT	200 chars max	Text
32	INFO30	Information field 30	TXT	200 chars max	Text
33	INFO31	Information field 31	TXT	200 chars max	Text
34	INFO32	Information field 32	TXT	200 chars max	Text
35	INFO33	Information field 33	TXT	200 chars max	Text
36	INFO34	Information field 34	TXT	200 chars max	Text
37	INFO35	Information field 35	TXT	200 chars max	Text
38	INFO36	Information field 36	TXT	200 chars max	Text
39	INFO37	Information field 37	TXT	200 chars max	Text
40	INFO38	Information field 38	TXT	200 chars max	Text
41	INFO39	Information field 39	TXT	200 chars max	Text
42	INFO40	Information field 40	TXT	200 chars max	Text
43	INFO41	Information field 41	TXT	200 chars max	Text
44	INFO42	Information field 42	TXT	200 chars max	Text
45	INFO43	Information field 43	TXT	200 chars max	Text

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## 'PARTS\_UDI' RECORD (continued)

46	INFO44	Information field 44	TXT	200 chars max	Text
47	INFO45	Information field 45	TXT	200 chars max	Text
48	INFO46	Information field 46	TXT	200 chars max	Text
49	INFO47	Information field 47	TXT	200 chars max	Text
50	INFO48	Information field 48	TXT	200 chars max	Text
51	INFO49	Information field 49	TXT	200 chars max	Text
52	INFO50	Information field 50	TXT	200 chars max	Text
53	INFO51	Information field 51	TXT	200 chars max	Text
54	INFO52	Information field 52	TXT	200 chars max	Text
55	INFO53	Information field 53	TXT	200 chars max	Text
56	INFO54	Information field 54	TXT	200 chars max	Text
57	INFO55	Information field 55	TXT	200 chars max	Text
58	INFO56	Information field 56	TXT	200 chars max	Text
59	INFO57	Information field 57	TXT	200 chars max	Text
60	INFO58	Information field 58	TXT	200 chars max	Text
61	INFO59	Information field 59	TXT	200 chars max	Text
62	INFO60	Information field 60	TXT	200 chars max	Text

### 'PARTS\_DST' RECORD

No.	Name	Description	Туре	Comment	MDB
1	JOB INDEX	Job index	IDX	1-250	Number-Integer
2	PART INDEX	Part index	IDX	1-9999	Number-Integer
3	PART_LAY_L	Parts per stack length	INT	1-99	Number-Integer
4	PART_LAY_W	Parts per stack width	INT	1-99	Number-Integer
5	PART_LAY_O	Part orientation	INT	0,1 (0=rotated)	Number-Integer
6	STK_HGHT_Q	Stack height - pieces	INT	0-999	Number-Integer
7	STK HGHT D	Stack height - dim	INT	0-9999	Number-Integer
8	STATION	Station number	INT	0-99	Number-Integer
9	QTY_STACKS	Total number of stacks	QTY	Max 99999	Number-Long Int
10	BTM_TYPE	Bottom destack type	INT	0,1,2,3,4	Number-Integer
11	BTM_DESC	Bottom description	TXT	25 chars max	Text
12	BTM_MATL	Bottom material	TXT	25 chars max	Text
13	BTM_LENGTH	Baseboard/pallet len	DIM		Number-Single
14	BTM_WIDTH	Baseboard/pallet wid	DIM		Number-Single
15	BTM_THICK	Baseboard/pallet thk	DIM		Number-Single
16	OVER_LEN	Overhang/oversize	DIM		Number-Single
17	OVER_WID	Overhang/oversize	DIM		Number-Single
18	BTM_LAY_L	Bsb/pallets per length	INT	0-99	Number-Integer
19	BTM_LAY_W	Bsb/pallets per width	INT	0-99	Number-Integer
20	TOP_TYPE	Top destack type	INT	0,1,2,3,4	Number-Integer
21	TOP_DESC	Top description	TXT	25 chars max	Text
22	TOP_MATL	Top material	TXT	25 chars max	Text
23	TOP_LENGTH	Baseboard length	DIM		Number-Single
24	TOP_WIDTH	Baseboard width	DIM		Number-Single
25	TOP_THICK	Baseboard thk	DIM		Number-Single
26	TOP_LAY_L	Baseboards per length	INT	0-99	Number-Integer
27	TOP_LAY_W	Baseboards per width	INT	0-99	Number-Integer
28	SUP_TYPE	Support destack type	INT	0,1,2,3,4	Number-Integer
29	SUP_DESC	Support description	TXT	25 chars max	Text
30	SUP_MATL	Support material	TXT	25 chars max	Text
31	SUP_LENGTH	Support length	DIM		Number-Single
32	SUP_WIDTH	Support width	DIM		Number-Single
33	SUP_THICK	Support thickness	DIM		Number-Single
34	SUP_LAY_L	Supports length	INT	0-99	Number-Integer
35	SUP_LAY_W	Supports per width	INT	0-99	Number-Integer
36	STATION2	Alternative station	INT	0-99	Number-Integer

### 'BOARDS' RECORD

No.	Name	Description	Type	Comment	MDB
1	JOB_INDEX	Job index	IDX	1-250	Number-Integer
2	BRD_INDEX	Board index	IDX	1-5000	Number-Integer
3	CODE	Board code	TXT	50 chars max	Text
4	MAT_INDEX	Material index	IDX	1-9999	Number-Integer
5	LENGTH	Board length	DIM		Number-Single
6	WIDTH	Board width	DIM		Number-Single
7	QTY_STOCK	Number of sheets	QTY	Max 99999	Number-Long Int
8	QTY_USED	Number of sheets used	QTY	Max 99999	Number-Long Int
9	COST	Cost per sq metre/foot	FLT	0-9.99	Number-Single
10	STK_FLAG	Board limit/ratio	INT	0-9	Number-Integer
11	INFORMATION	Board information	TXT	50 chars max	Text
12	MAT_PARAM	Parameter file name	TXT	50 max chars	Text
13	GRAIN	Grain	INT	0,1,2	Number-Integer
14	TYPE	Туре	INT	0,1	Number-Integer
15	BIN	Board location	TXT	25 chars max	Text
16	SUPPLIER	Board suppler	TXT	50 chars max	Text

## 'MATERIALS' RECORD

No.	Name	Description	Type	Comment	MDB
1	JOB INDEX	Job index	IDX	1-250	Number-Integer
2	MAT INDEX	Material index	IDX	1-9999	Number-Integer
3	CODE	Material code	TXT	50 chars max	Text
4	DESC	Material description	TXT	50 chars max	Text
5	THICK	Material thickness	DIM		Number-Single
6	BOOK	Max sheets per book	QTY		Number-Long Int
7	KERF_RIP	Saw kerf (rip)	DIM		Number-Single
8	KERF_XCT	Saw kerf (crosscut)	DIM		Number-Single
9	TRIM_FRIP	Fixed rip trim	DIM		Number-Single
10	TRIM_VRIP	Min waste rip trim	DIM		Number-Single
11	TRIM_FXCT	Fixed crosscut trim	DIM		Number-Single
12	TRIM_VXCT	Min waste crosscut trim	DIM		Number-Single
13	TRIM_HEAD	Internal Head trim	DIM		Number-Single
14	TRIM_FRCT	Fixed recut trim	DIM		Number-Single
15	TRIM_VRCT	Min waste recut trim	DIM		Number-Single
16	RULE1	Optimising rule 1	INT	1-9	Number-Integer
17	RULE2	Optimising rule 2	INT	0,1	Number-Integer
18	RULE3	Optimising rule 3	INT	0,1	Number-Integer
19	RULE4	Optimising rule 4	INT	0,1	Number-Integer
20	MAT_PARAM	Parameter file name	TXT	50 max chars	Text
21	GRAIN	Grain	INT	0,1,2	Number-Integer
22	PICTURE	RGB colour or picture file name	TXT	100 chars max	Text
23	DENSITY	Material density	FLT	0-99.999	Number-Single

### 'OFFCUTS' RECORD

No.	Name	Description	Type	Comment	MDB
1	JOB_INDEX	Job index	IDX	1-250	Number-Integer
2	OFC_INDEX	Offcut index	IDX	1-7500	Number-Integer
3	CODE	Offcut code	TXT	50 chars max	Text
4	MAT_INDEX	Material index	IDX	1-9999	Number-Integer
5	LENGTH	Offcut length	DIM		Number-Single
6	WIDTH	Offcut width	DIM		Number-Single
7	OFC_QTY	Offcut quantity	QTY	Max 99999	Number-Long Int

## 'PATTERNS' RECORD

No.	Name	Description	Туре	Comment	MDB
1	JOB_INDEX	Job index	IDX	1-250	Number-Integer
2	PTN_INDEX	Pattern index	IDX	1-5000	Number-Integer
3	BRD_INDEX	Board index	IDX	1-5000	Number-Integer
4	TYPE	Pattern type	INT	0-8	Number-Integer
5	QTY_RUN	Run quantity	QTY		Number-Long Int
6	QTY_CYCLES	Cycle quantity	QTY		Number-Long Int
7	MAX_BOOK	Max sheets per book	QTY		Number-Long Int
8	PICTURE	Pattern picture file	TXT	255 chrs max	Text
9	CYCLE_TIME	Cycle cut time	INT		Number-Long Int
10	TOTAL_TIME	Total cut time	INT		Number-Long Int

## 'PTN\_UDI' RECORD

No.	Name	Description	Туре	Comment	MDB
1	JOB INDEX	Job index	IDX	1-250	Number-Integer
2	PTN INDEX	Pattern index	IDX	1-5000	Number-Integer
3	BRD INDEX	Board index	IDX	1-5000	Number-Integer
4	STRIP INDEX	Strip number	INT		Number-Integer
5	INFO1	Information field 1	TXT	200 chars max	Text
6	INFO2	Information field 2	TXT	200 chars max	Text
7	INFO3	Information field 3	TXT	200 chars max	Text
8	INFO4	Information field 4	TXT	200 chars max	Text
9	INFO5	Information field 5	TXT	200 chars max	Text
10	INFO6	Information field 6	TXT	200 chars max	Text
11	INFO7	Information field 7	TXT	200 chars max	Text
12	INFO8	Information field 8	TXT	200 chars max	Text
13	INFO9	Information field 9	TXT	200 chars max	Text
14	INFO10	Information field 10	TXT	200 chars max	Text
15	INFO11	Information field 11	TXT	200 chars max	Text
16	INFO12	Information field 12	TXT	200 chars max	Text
17	INFO13	Information field 13	TXT	200 chars max	Text
18	INFO14	Information field 14	TXT	200 chars max	Text
19	INFO15	Information field 15	TXT	200 chars max	Text

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20	INFO16	Information field 16	TXT	200 chars max	Text
21	INFO17	Information field 17	TXT	200 chars max	Text
22	INFO18	Information field 18	TXT	200 chars max	Text
23	INFO19	Information field 19	TXT	200 chars max	Text
24	INFO20	Information field 20	TXT	200 chars max	Text
25	INFO21	Information field 21	TXT	200 chars max	Text
26	INFO22	Information field 22	TXT	200 chars max	Text
27	INFO23	Information field 23	TXT	200 chars max	Text
28	INFO24	Information field 24	TXT	200 chars max	Text
29	INFO25	Information field 25	TXT	200 chars max	Text
30	INFO26	Information field 26	TXT	200 chars max	Text
31	INFO27	Information field 27	TXT	200 chars max	Text
32	INFO28	Information field 28	TXT	200 chars max	Text
33	INFO29	Information field 29	TXT	200 chars max	Text
34	INFO30	Information field 30	TXT	200 chars max	Text
35	INFO31	Information field 31	TXT	200 chars max	Text
36	INFO32	Information field 32	TXT	200 chars max	Text
37	INFO33	Information field 33	TXT	200 chars max	Text
38	INFO34	Information field 34	TXT	200 chars max	Text
39	INFO35	Information field 35	TXT	200 chars max	Text
40	INFO36	Information field 36	TXT	200 chars max	Text
41	INFO37	Information field 37	TXT	200 chars max	Text
42	INFO38	Information field 38	TXT	200 chars max	Text
43	INFO39	Information field 39	TXT	200 chars max	Text
44	INFO40	Information field 40	TXT	200 chars max	Text
45	INFO41	Information field 41	TXT	200 chars max	Text
46	INFO42	Information field 42	TXT	200 chars max	Text
47	INFO43	Information field 43	TXT	200 chars max	Text
48	INFO44	Information field 44	TXT	200 chars max	Text
49	INFO45	Information field 45	TXT	200 chars max	Text
50	INFO46	Information field 46	TXT	200 chars max	Text
51	INFO47	Information field 47	TXT	200 chars max	Text
52	INFO48	Information field 48	TXT	200 chars max	Text
53	INFO49	Information field 49	TXT	200 chars max	Text
54	INFO50	Information field 50	TXT	200 chars max	Text
55	INFO51	Information field 51	TXT	200 chars max	Text
56	INFO52	Information field 52	TXT	200 chars max	Text
57	INFO53	Information field 53	TXT	200 chars max	Text
58	INFO54	Information field 54	TXT	200 chars max	Text
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62	INFO58	Information field 58	TXT	200 chars max	Text
63	INFO59	Information field 59	TXT	200 chars max	Text
64	INFO60	Information field 60	TXT	200 chars max	Text
65	INFO61	Information field 61	TXT	200 chars max	Text
66	INFO62	Information field 62	TXT	200 chars max	Text
67	INFO63	Information field 63	TXT	200 chars max	Text
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## 'PTN\_UDI' RECORD (continued)

68	INFO64	Information field 64	TXT	200 chars max	Text
69	INFO65	Information field 65	TXT	200 chars max	Text
70	INFO66	Information field 66	TXT	200 chars max	Text
71	INFO67	Information field 67	TXT	200 chars max	Text
72	INFO68	Information field 68	TXT	200 chars max	Text
73	INFO69	Information field 69	TXT	200 chars max	Text
74	INFO70	Information field 70	TXT	200 chars max	Text
75	INFO71	Information field 71	TXT	200 chars max	Text
76	INFO72	Information field 72	TXT	200 chars max	Text
77	INFO73	Information field 73	TXT	200 chars max	Text
78	INFO74	Information field 74	TXT	200 chars max	Text
79	INFO75	Information field 75	TXT	200 chars max	Text
80	INFO76	Information field 76	TXT	200 chars max	Text
81	INFO77	Information field 77	TXT	200 chars max	Text
82	INFO78	Information field 78	TXT	200 chars max	Text
83	INFO79	Information field 79	TXT	200 chars max	Text
84	INFO80	Information field 80	TXT	200 chars max	Text
85	INFO81	Information field 81	TXT	200 chars max	Text
86	INFO82	Information field 82	TXT	200 chars max	Text
87	INFO83	Information field 83	TXT	200 chars max	Text
88	INFO84	Information field 84	TXT	200 chars max	Text
89	INFO85	Information field 85	TXT	200 chars max	Text
90	INFO86	Information field 86	TXT	200 chars max	Text
91	INFO87	Information field 87	TXT	200 chars max	Text
92	INFO88	Information field 88	TXT	200 chars max	Text
93	INFO89	Information field 89	TXT	200 chars max	Text
94	INFO90	Information field 90	TXT	200 chars max	Text
95	INFO91	Information field 91	TXT	200 chars max	Text
96	INFO92	Information field 92	TXT	200 chars max	Text
97	INFO93	Information field 93	TXT	200 chars max	Text
98	INFO94	Information field 94	TXT	200 chars max	Text
99	INFO95	Information field 95	TXT	200 chars max	Text
100	INFO96	Information field 96	TXT	200 chars max	Text
101	INFO97	Information field 97	TXT	200 chars max	Text
102	INFO98	Information field 98	TXT	200 chars max	Text
103	INFO99	Information field 99	TXT	200 chars max	Text

## 'CUTS' RECORD

No.	Name	Description	Туре	Comment	MDB
1	JOB_INDEX	Job index	IDX	1-250	Number-Integer
2	PTN_INDEX	Pattern index	IDX	1-5000	Number-Integer
3	CUT_INDEX	Cut index	IDX	1-5000	Number-Integer
4	SEQUENCE	Cut sequence	INT		Number-Integer
5	FUNCTION	Cut type	INT	0-9, 90-99	Number-Integer
6	DIMENSION	Size of cut	DIM		Number-Single
7	QTY_RPT	Cut quantity	QTY		Number-Long Int
8	PART_INDEX	Part/Offcut Index	TXT	1-9999 or X1-X7500	Text
9	QTY_PARTS	Total part quantity	QTY	Max 99999	Number-Long Int
10	COMMENT	Additional comment	TXT	100 chars max	Text

# 4. Export data

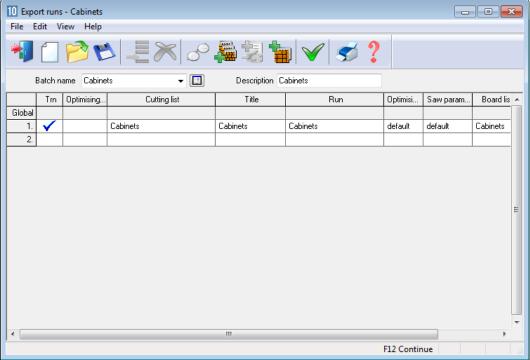
The main use for export is to send results (optimisations) to an external file or system. Individual reports (for example, Pattern summary) can be exported at the screen view or a complete set of results can be exported. Other typical exports are:-

- Job and product costing reports
- Fittings and operations
- Cutting lists

### **4.1 Export runs**

To export runs (optimisations), at the main screen:-

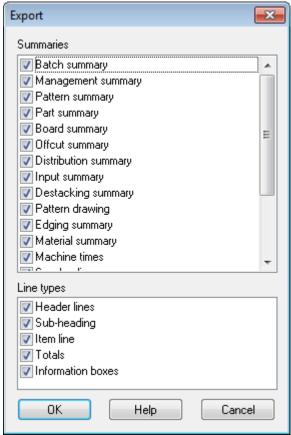
- Select: File- Export runs
- Choose the export format (ASCII/Unicode, MDB, XLS, XLSX)



Export runs

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The program prompts for the summaries to export and also the type of data to include.

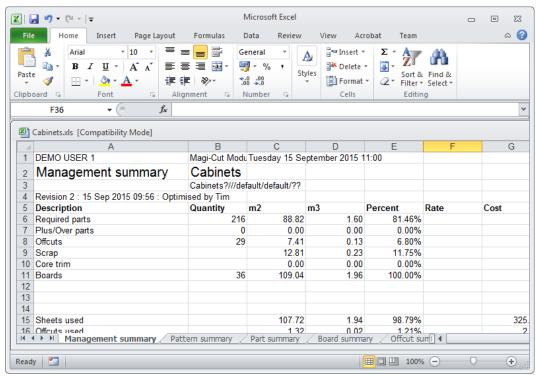


Summaries to Export

In some cases items such as the headings, sub headings and Totals are not required - these can be easily excluded.

The data is sent to the Path for Export data

In the case of Excel, for example, the reports are sent to a single file with each summary on a separate spread sheet tab.



Export data - Excel

For Export to an ASCII file each report is sent to a separate ASCII file with the data types identified by a token at the start of each line. Here is an example of the board summary data.

```
%1,DEMO USER 1,Modular V10.0,Friday 18 September 2015
%1,Board summary,Kitchen layout
%1,,00009/BSR CD-81/BSR CD-81/?DEFAULT/?DEFAULT/5
%1,No,Board,Length,Width,Information,Qty in Stock,Qty Used,Length m,Area m2,Cost
Rate,Total Cost
%2,HARDBOARD-4MM* Hardboard 4mm Thickness 4.0 Book 8 Parameters HBD04
%3,1.,HARDBOARD-4MM/01,2000.0,1000.0,Spec. Order,795,2,,4.00,0.890,3.56
%3,2.,HARDBOARD-4MM/02,2440.0,1220.0,BIN 133,131,6,,17.86,0.750,13.40
%4,,,,,,8,,21.86,,16.96
%2,MED-DEN-FIBRE-18MM Medium Density Fibreboard 18mm Thickness 18.0 Book 5
%3,3.,MED-DEN-FIBRE-18MM/01,3660.0,1550.0,BIN 127,1090,2,,11.35,4.500,51.06
%3,4.,MED-DEN-FIBRE-18MM/02,2440.0,1220.0,BIN 128,767,12,,35.72,4.350,155.39
```

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```
%4,,,,,,14,,47.07,,206.45
%2,MFC18-OAK Prelaminated - Oak 18mm Thickness 18.0 Book 5
%3,6.,MFC18-OAK/02,2440.0,1220.0,,111,6,,17.86,2.970,53.05
%4,,,,,6,,17.86,,53.05
%2,WHITE-ACRYLIC-12MM Acrylic - White 12mm (sundry) Thickness 12.0 Book 8
%3,7.,WHAC12/01,,,,436,36,,,1.320,47.52
%4,Total,,,,,64,,86.79,,323.97
```

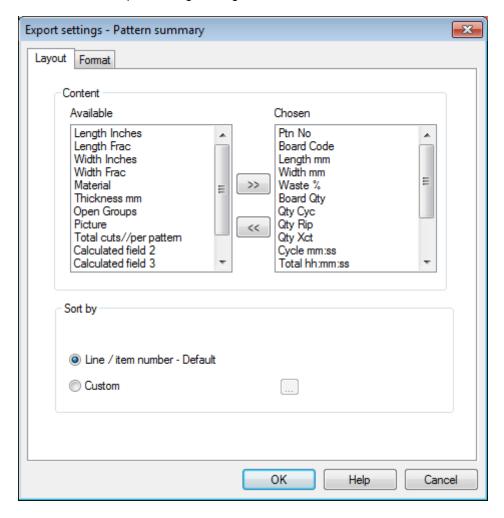
The export choices can be set at the Review runs parameters dialog.

At any Review runs screen:-The data to export for each report can be customised for each report (*Review Runs – Settings – Export settings*). With these options you can design a specific layout and set of data for the exported report which can be different to the report on-screen.

There is also an option on the File menu to select a default set of reports to export (very often you do not need to export all the available reports.

- Locate the report
- Select: Settings Export settings

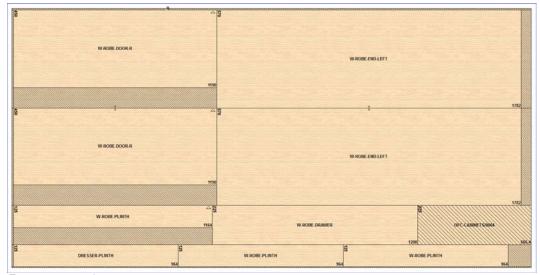
This shows the Export settings dialog.



The above example shows fields for the Part summary.

Pattern images - at any on-screen pattern there is an option to export the pattern image. The formats available are:-

```
Windows Bitmap (.bmp)
Windows Metafile (.wmf)
Windows Enhanced metafile (.emf)
```



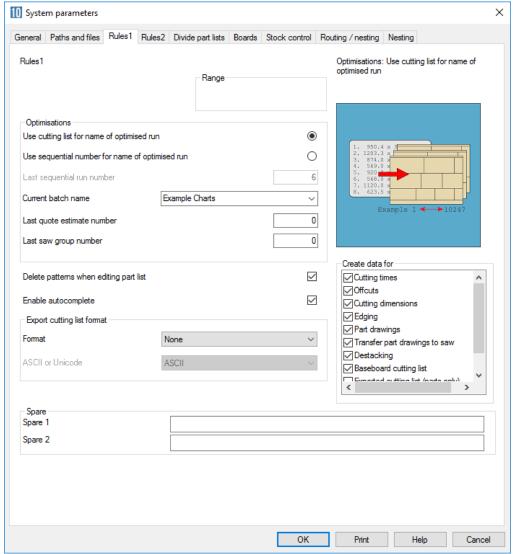
Export pattern as image

There are also options to export non run based reports:-

Part costing
Product costing
Fittings
Operations
Board library data
Part library data

It is sometimes useful to export the cutting list (for example where it is changed for edging and laminating and the sizes are used elsewhere in production).

This export is included in the optimisation provided the option is chosen in system parameters.



Export - system parameters

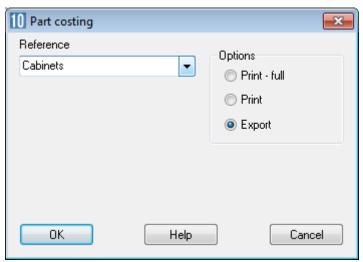
The program creates files in the PNX and BDX (for board sizes) formats.

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# **4.2 Export Part and Product costing reports**

To export the part costing or product costing summary to an external file. Select:-

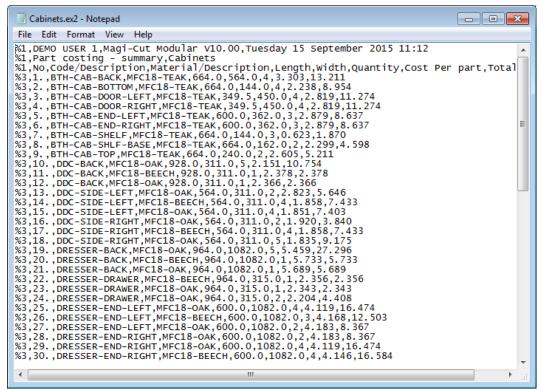
- Print
- Part costing (or Product costing)



Export part costing

Select the part list and the Export option and select OK. An export file is created, for example:-

#### Edging and laminates.EX2



Export file - part costing

Product costing exports a file with the extension: EX1 Part costing exports a file with the extension EX2

The export files are placed in the directory set by the System parameter: Path for Export data

The export file can contain three types of data:

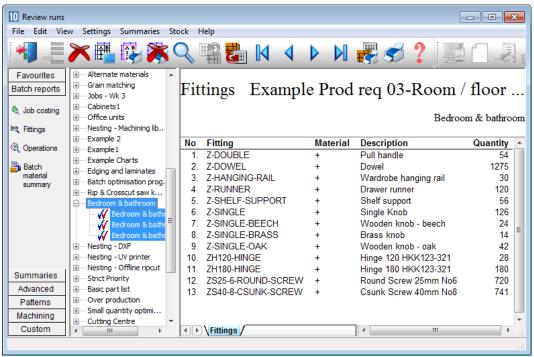
- 1 header line (no comma separated fields)
- 3 data line with comma separated fields
- 4 total line with comma separated fields

The data type for each line in the export file is shown by a % and number at the beginning of each line. Select which data types to export in the *Review runs parameters*.

If errors occur during export, no export file is produced.

#### 4.3 Export fittings and operations

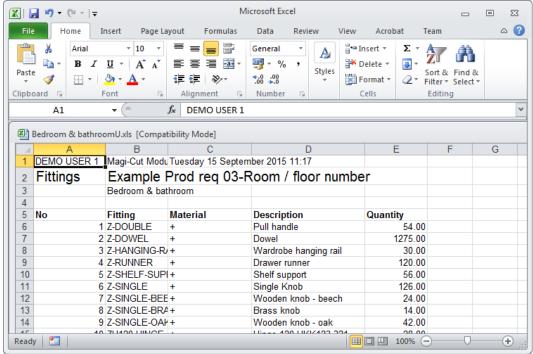
Export fittings or operations reports for any optimisation (run). Move to the fittings or operations report in Review runs.



Fittings summary - Export

- Select: File Export
- Select the export format

The Excel formats (XLS and XLSX) export to an Excel file.



Export fittings - Excel

ASCII export - the data is exported to a file with the same name as the fitting or operations list with the report letter appended and extension exd (e.g. BSR81-CDU.exd for fittings).

The export files are placed in the directory set by the System parameter: Path for Export data

## 4.4 Export cutting lists

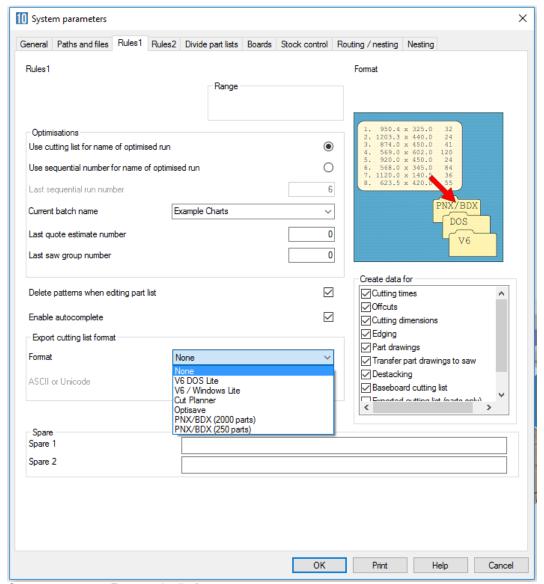
Export cutting lists and boards lists as part of the optimisation or recalculation process.

To do this set the System parameter: Create data for to create to one of the following:-

Exported cutting list - parts only Exported cutting list - parts and boards

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## Also set System parameter: Export cutting list format



System parameters - Export cutting list format

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```
PNX/BDX (2000 parts)
PNX/BDX (250 parts)
```

These options produce cutting lists and/or board lists in an ASCII/Unicode format. This is useful if the lists are going to be used by other systems.

The export occurs automatically when the part list is optimised. The ASCII/Unicode format is the PNX and/or BDX format.

```
Kitchen layout
DEFAULT
DEFAULT
BASE-BACK, HARDBOARD-4MM, 976.000000, 735.000000, 1,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,,,,,,,,976.0 x
735.0.00000450*
BASE-BACK, HARDBOARD-4MM, 876.000000, 735.000000, 1,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,,,,,,,,876.0 x
735.0,00000451*
735.0,00000452*
BASE-BACK, HARDBOARD-4MM, 976.000000, 735.000000, 1,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,,,,,,,,976.0 x
735.0,00000453*
735.0,00000454*
BASE-BACK, HARDBOARD-4MM, 976.000000, 735.000000, 1,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,,,,,,,,976.0 x
735.0,00000455*
BASE-BACK, HARDBOARD-4MM, 976.000000, 735.000000, 1,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,,,,,,,,976.0 x
735.0,00000456*
BASE-BACK, HARDBOARD-4MM, 476.000000, 735.000000, 1,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,,,,,,,476.0 x
735.0,00000457*
BASE-BACK, HARDBOARD-4MM, 476.000000, 735.000000, 1,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,,,,,,,476.0 x
735.0,00000458*
BASE-BOTTOM, MED-DEN-FIBRE-18MM, 564.000000, 581.000000, 3,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0AK-TAPE-
22MM,,,,,,,564.0 x 582.0,00000459*
BASE-BOTTOM, MED-DEN-FIBRE-18MM, 464.000000, 581.000000, 1,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0 AK-TAPE-
22MM,,,,,,464.0 x 582.0,00000460*
BASE-BOTTOM, MED-DEN-FIBRE-18MM, 464.000000, 581.000000, 1,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0 AK-TAPE-
22MM, , , , , , 464.0 x 582.0,00000461
22MM,,,,,,,464.0 x 582.0,00000462*
BASE-BOTTOM, MED-DEN-FIBRE-18MM, 464.000000,581.000000,1,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0AK-TAPE-
22MM,,,,,,,464.0 x 582.0,00000463*
BASE-CABINET-BOTTOM, MED-DEN-FIBRE-18MM, 864.000000, 581.000000, 1,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0 AK-
TAPE-22MM,,,,,,,864.0 \times 582.0,00000464*
BASE-CABINET-DIVIDER, MED-DEN-FIBRE-
18MM,559.000000,533.250000,1,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,AK-TAPE-22MM,,,,,560.0 x
533.3,00000465*
BASE-CABINET-DOOR, MFC18-OAK, 398.000000, 554.750000, 1,0,0,2,0,0,0,0,0,0,0AK-TAPE-
22MM,OAK-TAPE-22MM,OAK-TAPE-22MM,OAK-TAPE-22MM,,,,400.0 \times 556.8,00000466*
```

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```
HARDBOARD-4MM/01,795,HARDBOARD-4MM,2000.000000,1000.000000,4.0000000,0.890000,9
HARDBOARD-4MM/02,131,HARDBOARD-4MM,2440.000000,1220.000000,4.000000,0.750000,0
MED-DEN-FIBRE-18MM/01,1090,MED-DEN-FIBRE-
18MM,3660.000000,1550.000000,18.000000,4.500000,0
MED-DEN-FIBRE-18MM/02,767,MED-DEN-FIBRE-
18MM,2440.000000,1220.000000,18.000000,4.350000,0
MFC18-OAK/01,430,MFC18-OAK,3050.000000,1220.000000,18.000000,3.300000,0
MFC18-OAK/02,111,MFC18-OAK,2440.000000,1220.000000,18.000000,2.970000,0
WHAC12/01,436,WHITE-ACRYLIC-12MM,2440.000000,1220.000000,12.000000,1.320000,4
```

The other options for 'Export cutting list format' are for special situations where part list are exported after processing to other systems.

#### 4.5 Export - Pattern Exchange Format

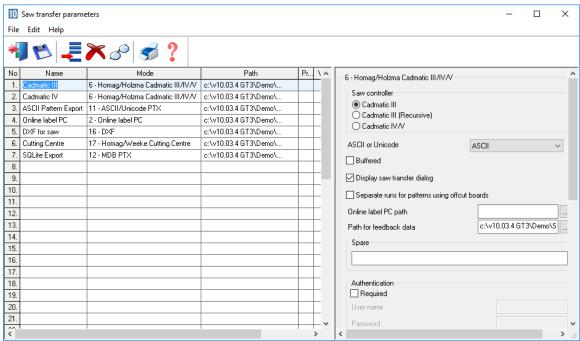
The Pattern exchange format contains all the part sizes, board sizes, parameter settings, cutting instructions and drawing information for a run and most of the summary data. Use this to export optimisations (runs) for use by other systems such as a spread sheet, database, or report generator.

This is the program's proprietary format for patterns (results). It is used by several manufacturers where they want pick up information from the optimisation results (cutting patterns).

It is a public format and fully described in Section 3 (above).

All the pattern data and structure is contained in the file in ASCII/Unicode or MDB database format - so it is very useful where custom changes are needed for controlling specific machines or external systems. For example, to update stock control systems, use a special post processor to transfer to a saw.

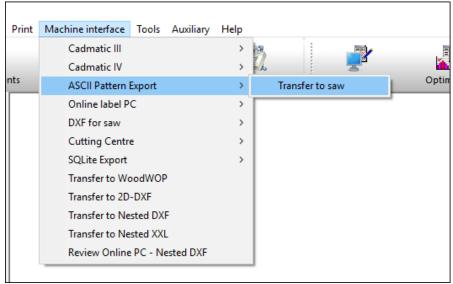
In this case the 'export' occurs as part of the saw or machine transfer process. This is set up as a transfer mode (transfer option) at the Saw Transfer parameter screen.



Export - Pattern exchange format

Quite often both the standard .saw file and the .ptx file are used by a manufacturer. In this case both files can be exported in a single command by grouping This option is also available for transfer to Machining centres.

At the main screen select the Run to transfer and then the transfer method.



The file is exported.

In this case the file is located in the 'Path for Saw data'.

```
File Edit Format View Help

HEADER, 1.1.3, Example Prod req 03-Room / floor number, 0, 0, 1

JOBS.1, Bedroom & bathroom-1, Example Prod req 03, ., 1, default, default, 3505, 20. 28

JOBS.2, Bedroom & bathroom-2, Example Prod req 03, ., 1, default, default, 4466, 14. 17

JOBS.3, Bedroom & bathroom-3, Example Prod req 03, ., 1, default, default, 4446, 14. 17

JOBS.3, Bedroom & bathroom-1, etct/Bedroom & bathroom-1, brd/default, 1414, 22. 49

NOTES, 1, 1, Bedroom & bathroom-1, ctt/Bedroom & bathroom-1, brd/default, 1414, 22. 49

NOTES, 1, 1, BEdroom & bathroom-1, 0, 564, 0, 4, 0, 0, 0, 4, 0, 0, 0

PARTS, REQ, 1, 1, BTH-CAB-BACK, 1, 664, 0, 564, 0, 4, 0, 0, 0, 4, 0, 0, 0

PARTS, REQ, 1, 1, BTH-CAB-BOTTOM, 1, 664, 0, 143, 0, 4, 0, 0, 0, 4, 0, 0, 0

PARTS, REQ, 1, 1, BTH-CAB-BODR-REFT, 1, 347, 5, 448, 0, 4, 0, 0, 0, 4, 0, 0, 0, 0

PARTS, REQ, 1, 1, BTH-CAB-BOTTOM, 1, 664, 0, 143, 0, 4, 0, 0, 0, 4, 0, 0, 0

PARTS, REQ, 1, 6, BTH-CAB-B-ND-LEFT, 1, 161, 0, 598, 0, 4, 0, 0, 0, 4, 0, 0, 0

PARTS, REQ, 1, 6, BTH-CAB-BHE-ABSE, 1, 664, 0, 161, 0, 4, 0, 0, 0, 4, 0, 0, 0

PARTS, REQ, 1, 8, BTH-CAB-BHE-BASE, 1, 664, 0, 161, 0, 4, 0, 0, 0, 4, 0, 0, 0

PARTS, REQ, 1, 9, BTH-CAB-TOP, 1, 664, 0, 161, 0, 4, 0, 0, 0, 4, 0, 0, 0

PARTS, REQ, 1, 10, DC-BACK, 2, 928, 0, 311, 0, 2, 0, 0, 0, 2, 0, 0, 0

PARTS, REQ, 1, 11, DDC-BOTTOM, 3, 964, 0, 564, 0, 2, 0, 0, 0, 2, 0, 0, 0

PARTS, REQ, 1, 12, DDC-SIDE-RIGHT, 2, 564, 0, 311, 0, 2, 0, 0, 0, 2, 0, 0, 0

PARTS, REQ, 1, 14, DRESSER-BACK, 2, 964, 0, 315, 0, 6, 0, 0, 0, 6, 0, 0, 0

PARTS, REQ, 1, 15, DRESSER-DRAWER, 2, 964, 0, 315, 0, 6, 0, 0, 0, 6, 0, 0, 0

PARTS, REQ, 1, 16, DRESSER-BON-LEFT, 2, 564, 0, 311, 0, 2, 0, 0, 0, 2, 0, 0, 0

PARTS, REQ, 1, 16, DRESSER-BON-LEFT, 2, 564, 0, 311, 0, 2, 0, 0, 0, 2, 0, 0, 0

PARTS, REQ, 1, 16, DRESSER-BON-LEFT, 2, 560, 0, 1082, 0, 2, 0, 0, 0, 2, 0, 0, 0

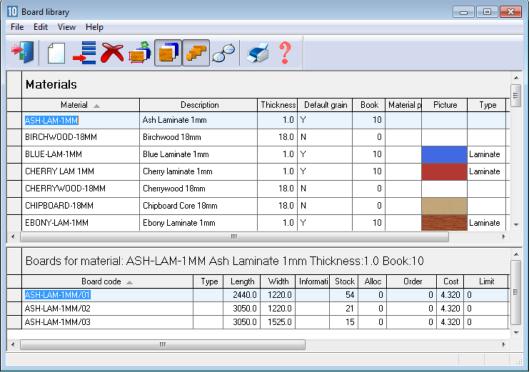
PARTS, REQ, 1, 12, WRRORE-INSERT, 4, 249, 5, 350, 0, 80, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0

PARTS, REQ, 1, 12, WRRORE-BACK, 31, 1000, 0, 1782, 0, 7, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0

PARTS, REQ, 1, 24, WRRORE-BACK, 31, 1000, 0, 1
```

# 4.6 Export - Board library data

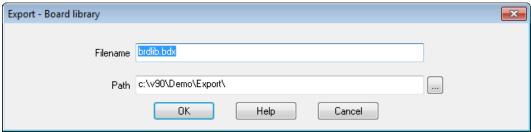
It is sometimes useful to export the entire contents of the board library to an external file, for example, to update a supporting system. At the Board library screen:-



Board library - Export

- Select: File - Export

The program prompts for a path and file name.



Board library - Export dialog

#### **BDX** format

This is a special format for Boards; one line per board including material information. It can be useful for external processing and data can also be re-imported to the Board library via the Import options with this format. BDX is the current format.

The data can either be exported to a Fixed file (BRDLIB.BDX) in the directory set by the System parameter: *Path for export data* or to a selected file path and name.

(See section 2.3 above for details of the BDX format).

#### 4.7 Export - Part library data

It is sometimes useful to export all the Part library data, for example, for updating external systems. At the Part library screen:-

Select: File - Export

The library data is exported to a comma separated value file with a fixed name. PARTLIB.CSV

The file is located in the folder set by the System parameter: Path for Export data

If the parameter setting is blank or there is some other problem with the file an error is reported.

### File format

Each line contains a record from the part library. The order of the fields is as follows:-

Code
Material
Description
Length
Width
Grain
Edge
Cost
Drawing code
Information boxes
Notes

- Grain values in the file are:-

0=No 1=Yes 2=X 3=Variable

- Quick/Short edge codes are exported as one 4 digit field (e.g. 0000)
- Grain and edge fields are blank for fitting and operations and the cost field is blank for parts.

#### 4.8 Export - Product data

At the product library screen there are several options to export data.

- Export product
- Export library
- Export product list

#### **Export product**

The export product option is used to export a single product from the library, which includes the part details and any variables, formulae or lookups used.

When the option is selected a .PLE file is created in the path for export data based on the name of the currently selected product.

e.g. If the current product is BASE-OVEN-HSE the file is:BASE-OVEN-HSE.PLE

This file can then be subsequently imported into another user profile or into the same user profile if the product is modified and needs to be reset.

The PLE format is an internal format.

#### Export library

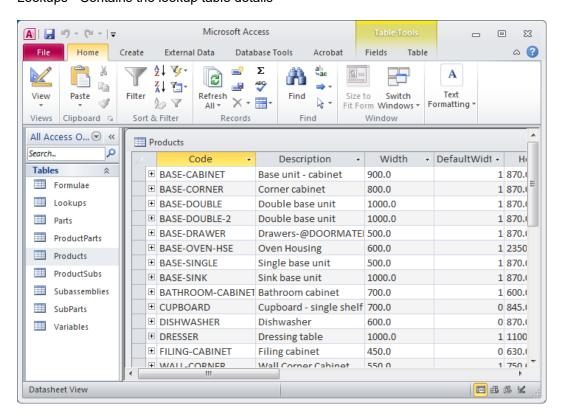
The export is to an 'Access' MDB format database

There are 9 tables named as follows:

Products - Contains product details (not the part grid at the bottom of product library) Subassemblies - Contains the subassembly details (not the part grid information) Parts - Contains the part details from the part library

ProductParts - Contains which parts appear in which products (part grid information)
ProductSubs - Contains which subassemblies appear in which products (part grid inf.)
SubParts - Contains which parts appear in which subassemblies (part grid inf.)

Variables - Contains the variable table details Formulae - Contains the formulae table details Lookups - Contains the lookup table details



The fields for each table are:-

### **Products**

Code, Description, Width, Default width, Height, Default height, Depth, Default depth, VerticalPos, DefaultVerticalPos, Drawing, Planview, Elevationview, Price, AnswerTable, Memo1 to Memo10

### Subassemblies

Code, Description, Width, Default width, Height, Default height, Depth, Default depth, Drawing

#### Parts Parts

Code, Material, Description, Length, DefaultLength, Width, DefaultWidth, Grain, Edging, DrawingType, Drawing, Cost, Infobox1 to Infobox99

## **Productparts**

Product, Part, Qty/time, Material, Length, Width

#### **ProductSubs**

Product, Subassembly, Qty/time, Material, Length, Width

### **SubParts**

Subassembly, Part, Qty/time, Material, Length, Width

### **Variables**

Name, Format, Directory, Type, InformationBox, Description, Default, Range

#### **Formulae**

Name, Description, Formula

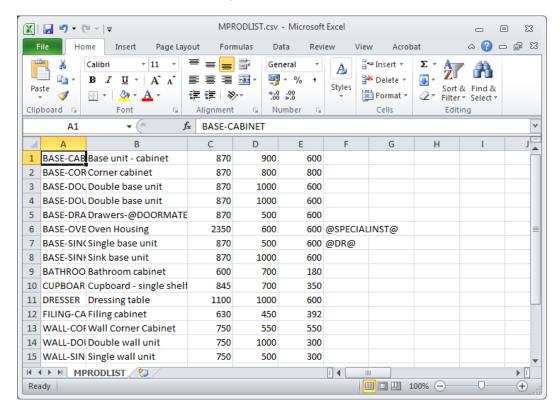
### **Lookups**

Name, Description, Value

#### **Export product list**

This creates a file: MPRODLIST.csv (for millimeters) or IPRODLIST.CSV (for inches).

The file is located in the 'Path for Export'.



A line is produced for each product in the library with the fields in the following order:

Code, Description, Height, Width, Depth, Memo1, Memo2, Memo3, Memo4, Memo5, Price, Drawing name, Variable 1, default answer 1, Variable 2, default answer 2...

The drawing name field contains the sketch name, not the plan or elevation names. This field can be blank (empty) but there may still be a product drawing which matches the product name.

The product variables and default answers repeat as many times as required. Default answers are taken from the variables table. If there is no default answer, the answer field is blank (e.g. @variable1@,,@variable2@...). Global variables will appear in the list against each product.

If a product contains parts / machine drawings which have variables, these variables also appear in the list. This also applies to variables which occur in formulae or look-ups which occur in the product, parts or machine drawings.

Sub-assemblies and accessories are not exported. The list of parts that comprise a product are also not exported.

#### 4.9 Export variables deployment list

This option lists where variables names are used across the product library, part library, machining library and drawing library. At the main screen:-

- Select: File Export variables deployment list
- Select the file format for the file.

**CSV** 

XLS

XLSX

If the file already exists the program prompts to overwrite the file.

The file is located in the 'Path for Export data' the file name is based on the date. e.g. VARDEPLIST 2015-11-19 1420.xls

The file line of the file contains the following 5 text headings:

Product, Part, Machining, Drawing, Variable

The following lines list all the places where a variable is used, for example:-

1. BASE-CABINET,,, BCAB1

This means the variable BCAB1 is used in the product BASE-CABINET (and not in any part, machining or drawing)

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## 2. BASE-CABINET,BASEPART1,,BCAB2

This means variable BCAB2 is used in product BASE-CABINET and part BASEPART1, but not in a machining item or drawing.

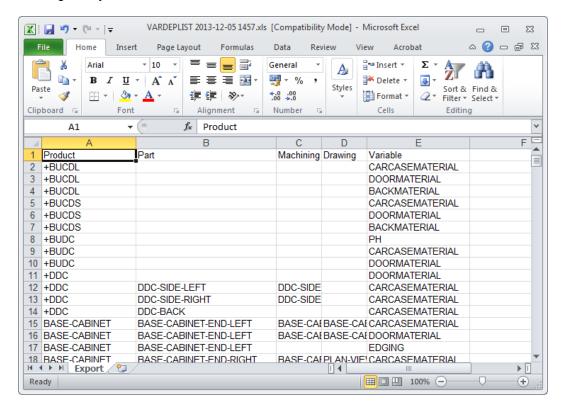
## 3. BASE-CABINET,,MCH1,,BCAB3

This means variable BCAB3 is used in product BASE-CABINET and machining drawing MCH1, but not in a part or a drawing

## 4. ,TPART1,,,VAR2

This means the variable VAR2 is not in any product, machining item or drawing but is used in part TPART1.

The first items in the file are based on product variables and below (parts belonging to the product and associated drawings), then variables used for any remaining unused parts and below, next any remaining machining drawing and finally any remaining drawing library items.



# 5. Stand alone operation

It is sometimes useful to run portions of the Optimising software as 'stand alone' programs. For example, to automate the process of importing and optimising or to automate a stock update or to interface with other systems.

**Optimising program setup** - stand alone operation is a way of running the program with no operator input *BUT* a lot of information still comes from the Optimising program which has to be set up in the usual way. That is, parameters set and co-ordinated, boards and materials available in the Board library, drawings available in the Machining library etc.

Make sure that the operations work using the FULL program before attempting to create the stand alone operation

**Instructions** - these are specific for each stand alone item so follow the examples carefully .

### Running the Import program - example

A typical task is to import parts from a PTX file as a stand alone operation. Run the program IMPORT.EXE from a user profile. This can be from a batch file or from a shortcut or by using the Windows option Start - Run. For example, using a Windows batch file the commands are:-

```
..\import job32.ptx /format:8
```

**User profile** - It is important to run the program from a user profile to locate the system parameter settings for paths and other values required.

**Errors** - when a program runs in 'silent' mode this means that the usual method of reporting errors is not available because the on-screen list of errors cannot be displayed. Any errors are stored in the file IMPORT.ERR

# 5.1 Import parts / boards / patterns - stand alone

Using program Import services with other systems via the command line or a batch file

Use the program: IMPORT

```
 \begin{tabular}{ll} IMPORT [filename] [/FORMAT:nn] [/OVERWRITE] [/RENAME] [/DELETE] [/NOWRTBRD] [/UDF] [/SEP] [/UTF-8|/UFT-16LE] \\ \end{tabular}
```

filename - path and name of the file to import

The stand alone import mode of the import program allow users to specify Unicode format files by using /UTF-8 or /UTF-16LE on the command line

e.g. IMPORT c:\importdir\files\parts.pnx /FORMAT:3 /UTF-8

# **Format**

Set the import type

/FORMAT:nn

The import types for parts and boards are as follows:-

- 0 Part list order ASCII/Unicode CSV (PNX)
- 1 Cabinet Vision format
- 2 Product Planner format
- 3 Code and quantity ASCII/Unicode CSV (PNX)
- 4 Batch part list order (BTX & PNX)
- 5 Batch Code and quantity (BTX & PNX)
- 6 User defined order ASCII/Unicode CSV (PNX)
- 7 Batch user defined order (BTX)
- 8 Parts & boards ASCII/Unicode CSV (PTX)
- 9 Parts & boards Access (MDB)
- 10 Cut Planner format
- 11 MSS/Keytrix format
- 12 Giben Optisave AC & AD files
- 13 Pattern exchange ASCII/Unicode CSV (PTX)
- 14 Pattern exchange Access (MDB)
- 15 Giben Optisave AC file only
- 16 BDX format
- 17 Board list User defined order ASCII/Unicode CSV
- 20 XLS parts
- 21 XLSX parts
- 30 XLS boards
- 31 XLSX boards

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# For example:

```
IMPORT c:\importdir\files\parts.pnx /FORMAT:3
IMPORT jobs.ptx /FORMAT:13
```

When using /FORMAT the program runs in silent mode (same as /AUTO) and any errors are sent to a .ERR file.

#### <u>Delete</u>

Delete original files

/DELETE

# **Overwrite**

Overwrite or replace existing files

/OVERWRITE

Only applies to types 12 and 15. /OVERWRITE command means overwrite all existing files.

#### Rename

/RENAME

Batch name is allocated a unique number from the same series as quotes/requirements (sonumber.ctl). The part list names are created by using the first five digits of the batch number and the first 3 characters of the job list name.

e.g. BRJOB.PTX contains jobs WRK and NST

IMPORT BRJOB.PTX /RENAME /PARTS /AUTO

Batch file created:-

00004.BTC 00004WRK.PRL 00004NST.PRL It is important to ensure that, when using this option, the first three characters of each job name are unique within that PTX file. You cannot have, for example, 'BSR10' and 'BSR15' as job names unless these are placed in separate PTX files.

#### Silent

Run without prompts etc.

/AUTO

#### Alternative commands

/PARTS /BOARDS /PATTERNS

These commands can be used as an alternative to the FORMAT command. When using these commands the relevant import parameter is used for the import format and the System parameter: *Path for import data* must be set

Errors - When you work with a command like '/AUTO' so that a program runs in 'silent' mode this means that the usual method of reporting errors is not available because the on-screen list of errors cannot be displayed. Any errors are stored in the file IMPORT.ERR

Delete product requirement import files - these can be deleted after import. This is done at the Import - Requirements dialog box. Check the box 'Delete files after import'.

Import files can also be deleted when running the program in the stand-alone mode. Use argument /DELETE to give the command line:

```
PRODIMP.EXE ["file name.ext"] [/QUOTE] [/AUTO] [/DELETE]
```

Omit /DELETE if deletion is not required

Quotation marks are not needed if the file name does not contain spaces Use /AUTO for stand-alone operation.

/QUOTE – necessary for importing quotes, otherwise this program will start in import requirement mode

#### User defined

/UDF

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Where there is an import parameter for user defined parts or boards the parameter file can be specified on the command line with the UDF option.

```
IMPORT.EXE TESTFILE.IMP /FORMAT:6 /UDF:Myparts
```

Where the file name includes spaces the name must be enclosed in quotes.

```
IMPORT.EXE TESTFILE.IMP /FORMAT:6 /UDF:"My parts"
```

The /UDF argument only applies if /FORMAT:6 or /FORMAT:7 are also set.

# **Separator**

```
/SEP:<separator>
```

Specify the separator for the file. e.g.

```
/SEP:58
/SEP:":"
```

The separator is either the decimal Ascii number or the character enclosed in quotes

The separator can be any ASCII code between 32 and 127 except the following (0 to 9, A to Z or a to z).

If the separator is not valid an error is reported.

#### Existing board list

/NOWRTBRD

Only applies to part list import

Stops the program deleting the existing board list - this allows the program to re-use a board list.

# 5.2 Export reports - stand alone

Using program Output services via the command line or a batch file to print or export data

Use program: OUTPUT

This allows printing or export of runs / summaries. There are several different options available:-

```
/PRINT - print
/EXPORT - export to ASCII files
/EXPORT /MDB - export to Access database
```

### Printing

```
/PRINT=<printername> - specify the printer
/REPORTS=<reportletters> - set the reports to print
/RUN=<runumber> - set the run name / number
```

Reports are specified with a report letter (see below).

# For example:-

```
OUTPUT /PRINT /REPORTS=BCE
OUTPUT /PRINT=\\SERVER\LASERJET4 /RUN=00027 /REPORTS=BCE
```

# Export to ASCII file(s)

```
/EXPORT - export to ASCII files
/REPORTS=<reportletters> - set the reports to print
/RUN=<runumber> - set the run name / number
```

Reports are specified with a report letter (see below).

#### For example:-

```
OUTPUT /EXPORT /REPORTS=BCE
OUTPUT /EXPORT /RUN=00027 /REPORTS=BCE
```

### Export to MDB file

```
/EXPORT /MDB - export to Access database /REPORTS=<reportletters> - set the reports to print /RUN=<runumber> - set the run name / number
```

Reports are specified with a report letter (see below).

#### For example:-

```
OUTPUT /EXPORT /MDB /REPORTS=BCE
OUTPUT /EXPORT /MDB /RUN=00027 /REPORTS=BCE
```

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# Export to XLS/XLSX

```
/EXPORT /XLS - export to Excel /EXPORT /XLSX - export to Excel
```

# **Errors**

Any errors are sent to a .ERR file.

### Report letters

- A Batch Summary
- B Management Summary
- C Pattern Summary
- D Part Summary
- E Board Summary
- F Offcut summary
- G Distribution summary
- H Input summary
- I Destacking summary
- J Pattern drawing
- N Edging summary
- O Material summary
- P Machine times
- Q Saw loading summary
- R Station summary
- T Job costing
- U Fittings
- V Operations
- Y Sundry parts
- 1 Nested Preview
- 2 Nested Drawings
- 3 Saw simulation
- 4 Nested pieces
- 5 Nested parts
- 6 Batch material summary

# Override export path

The location of exported files can be temporarily overridden when exporting review runs data by using the OUTPUT program in stand alone mode.

The command line argument is /EXPORTPATH followed by the path for export data. This path can also be a UNC path, for example:-

```
..\OUTPUT.EXE /EXPORT /REPORTS=J /EXPORTPATH=O:\EXPORT\
..\OUTPUT.EXE /EXPORT /REPORTS=J /EXPORTPATH=\\SERVER\EXPORT\
```

If a path contains spaces then the path must be surrounded with quotes, for example:

```
..\OUTPUT.EXE /EXPORT /REPORTS=BCD /EXPORTPATH="O:\SPACED PATH\"
```

If the path specified is not valid the export does not take place

# Send to PDF

Send to PDF

Create a printout as a PDF file. Use the /PDF argument:-

```
..\OUTPUT.EXE /PDF /REPORTS:BC
```

'/PRINT' is not needed if '/PDF' is used. To use PDF there must be at least one printer driver installed on the system.

# Running the Output program - example

A typical task is to export some of the reports to an ASCII file Run the program OUTPUT.EXE from a user profile. This can be from a batch file or from a shortcut or by using the Windows option Start - Run. For example, using a Windows batch file the commands are:-

```
..\output /export /reports=CD
```

In this example the reports exported are the Pattern Summary (C) and the Part summary (D). The current run is used unless the /RUN option specifies a different run.

**User profile** - It is important to run the program from a user profile to locate the system parameter settings for paths and other values required.

**Errors** - when a program runs in 'silent' mode this means that the usual method of reporting errors is not available because the on-screen list of errors cannot be displayed. Any errors are stored in the file OUTPUT.ERR

**Note** - If these commands are to be run from the Auxiliary menu then the equals sign should be replaced with a colon.

..\OUTPUT.EXE /PDF /REPORTS:BC

# 5.3 Export Library data - stand alone

# **Board library**

Use the program: BOARD

BOARD [/BDX]

This creates the file brdlib.bdx in the path set by the system parameter: Path for Export data

..\BOARD /BDX

The program should be run from a 'User profile' either by running the program from that profile (with the Windows Run command or a Batch file) or by setting the 'Start in' option on a shortcut.

An example of a batch file is the following.

CD \USER1
C:\USER1\BOARD.EXE /BDX

Export part and product library data

Stand alone options to export the full libraries

# Part library

Use the /EXPORT command line argument. This creates a file: PRTLIB.csv

c:\v10\PARTS.EXE /EXPORT

The file is located in the 'Path for Export'.

# **Product library**

Use the /EXPORT command line argument. This creates a file: MPRODLIST.csv (for millimeters) or IPRODLIST.CSV (for inches).

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```
c:\V10\PRODLIB.EXE /EXPORT
```

The file is located in the 'Path for Export'.

# 5.4 Batch operations - stand alone

Many operations such as optimising work as a batch operation - even if, for example, only one cutting list is optimised.

For stand alone operation you often need to run the batch process - the following are the instructions to achieve this.

The program for batch operations is BATCH.EXE. The command syntax is as follows.

```
BATCH [filename] [/AUTO] [/OPTIMISE]
```

*filename* - the name of the file to apply batch operations to. Batch file (*filename*.BTC), part list (*filename*.PRL), or cutting list (*filename*.CTT).

Square brackets [] indicate that the command is optional. If no filename is specified the current batch is used.

Note - option '/OPTIMISE' can also be spelt as '/OPTIMIZE'

For example:-

BATCH DEMO1.PRL /AUTO /OPTIMISE

(Optimises the part list DEMO1).

IAUTO - silent operation - no dialogs or error messages are displayed.

/OPTIMISE - optimisation of the named file

The /AUTO argument is needed with /OPTIMISE.

For example:

A batch file to import parts from a pattern exchange file (ptx), optimise the batch and transfer information to the saw and machining centre.

- ..\IMPORT %1 /AUTO /PARTS
- -..\BATCH /AUTO /OPTIMISE
- ..\SAWLINK /AUTO /1
- ..\MCHLINK

Note - during optimisation any cutting lists or board lists that do not exist are automatically created.

If no name is specified for a batch optimisation (e.g. BATCH.EXE /AUTO /OPTIMISE), the current batch is used and any cutting lists that do not exist for the batch are created.

If a filename is specified for a batch optimisation but there is no file extension the program looks for <filename>.BTC first, <filename>.CTT next and <filename.PRL last. If none of these exists, an error message is placed in the error file (!.ERR)

The system of automatically dividing cutting lists that apply when optimising from the part list program also applies for BATCH.EXE standalone optimising. This is based on the 'Optimise options' and 'Category for part list divide' system parameters.

*Import user defined parts* - import parameter file for user defined parts can be specified on the command line. This is handled with the /UDF command line argument.

```
IMPORT.EXE TESTFILE.IMP /FORMAT:6 /UDF:02
```

This uses the user defined format 02 which has .IMP as its file extension. Errors are output if the user defined format file does not exist.

The /UDF argument only applies if /FORMAT:6 or /FORMAT:7 is used, any other format will generate an error message.

*Import user defined product requirements* - The /UDF command line argument can also be used to specify the product requirement import parameter file when import products.

Remaining parts - in /AUTO mode there is no dialog to save any remaining or invalid parts (if they exist). Invalid parts are reported in the error file.

- For stand alone operation - the parameter 'Prompt before modifying existing list' parameter is ignored and all board lists are updated if possible.

# Example using batch operations

A Windows batch file to import parts from a pattern exchange file (ptx), optimise the batch and transfer information to the saw and machining centre.

..\IMPORT %1 /FORMAT:8
..\BATCH /AUTO /OPTIMISE
..\SAWLINK /AUTO /1

*Note* - during optimisation any cutting lists or board lists that do not exist are automatically created.

%1 is the usual Windows batch command line variable which is a place holder for the file name.

**User profile** - It is important to run the programs from a user profile to locate the system parameter settings for paths and other values required

**Errors** - when a program runs in 'silent' mode this means that the usual method of reporting errors is not available because the on-screen list of errors cannot be displayed. Any errors are stored in the file !.ERR

#### Ignore errors

/IGNOREBRDERR

The optimisation may report errors but continues.

```
BATCH DEMO1.PRL /AUTO /OPTIMISE /IGNOREBRDERROR
```

This can be useful where the list contains boards of zero dimension ( $0 \times 0$ ) which remain in the board list, for example, when using combination materials.

### 5.5 Stock update and stock issue - stand alone

Using program Stock control services via the command line / batch file

Use program: STOCK

There are several different options available:-

/IMPORTSTOCK - import stock

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```
/OVERWRITESTOCK - overwrite stock
/ISSUESTOCK - issue stock
/ALLOCSTOCK - allocate stock
/RESET - month/year end report
/UDF - user defined import
/UTF-8 - unicode format 8 import file
/UTF-16LE - unicode format 16LE import file
```

These are separate options for the Stock program.

# Import stock

```
STOCK <filename> /IMPORTSTOCK [/FORMAT:n] [/UPDATEEXISTING]
[/ADDNEWSTOCK] [/SEP:<separator>]
```

filename - file with stock information. This must include the correct file extension.

```
STOCK MyBoards.bdx /IMPORTSTOCK
```

The basic operation is to add incoming values to existing ones.

The Unicode format of files can be configured for stock import into the board library by using either /UTF-8 or /UTF-16LE on the command line.

```
e.g. STOCK MyBoards.bdx /IMPORTSTOCK /UTF-8
```

The format can be set via the System parameters in the user profile or via the /FORMAT switch. The format must match the file name extension.

```
STOCK MyBoards.bdx /IMPORTSTOCK /FORMAT:1
```

The numbers for the /FORMAT switch are:-

0 - BRD format 1 - BDX format

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- 2 Bargstedt stock file BESTAND.STK
- 3 External SQL database
- 4 User defined order ASCII/Unicode CSV
- 5 User defined order Excel XLS
- 6 User defined order Excel XLSX

To also add any new stock (Board and offcuts) use the /ADDNEWSTOCK switch.

STOCK MyBoards.bdx /IMPORTSTOCK /FORMAT:1 /ADDNEWSTOCK

```
Import file
MFC15-03 2440 x 1220
                           98
MFC15-04
           3660 x 1830
                           15
MFC15-05
          2010 x 1680
Board library
                        BEFORE
                                                           AFTER
                                  MFC15-03 2440 x 1220
MFC15-04 3660 x 1830
MFC15-03 2440 x 1220 320
                                                             418
MFC15-04
           3660 x 1830
                           26
                                              3660 x 1830
                                                              41
                                  MFC15-05 2010 x 1680
                                                              61
```

To increase / decrease any existing stock values with those in the import file use the /UPDATEEXISTING switch

STOCK MyBoards.bdx /IMPORTSTOCK /FORMAT:1 /ADDNEWSTOCK /UPDATEEXISTING

```
Import file
MFC15-03
         2440 x 1220
                         98
          3660 x 1830
MFC15-04
                         15
MFC15-05
          2010 x 1680
Board library
                      BEFORE
                                                       AFTER
MFC15-03
         2440 x 1220 320
                                MFC15-03 2440 x 1220
                                                          98
MFC15-04
                         26
                                MFC15-04
           3660 x 1830
                                           3660 x 1830
                                                          15
                                MFC15-05
                                           2010 x 1680
                                                          61
```

For the BDX format only - a separator can be specified; this is useful where the BDX fields are separated by a character other than a comma, for example a colon.

```
STOCK MyBoards.bdx /IMPORTSTOCK /FORMAT:1 /SEP:":"
```

The separator can be specified as a character or a number e.g. /SEP:58 or /SEP:":"

# **Overwrite stock**

```
STOCK <filename> /OVERWRITESTOCK [/FORMAT:n] [/OVERWRITEEXISTING]
[/SEP:<separator/]</pre>
```

filename - file with stock information. This must include the correct file extension.

STOCK MyBoards.bdx /OVERWRITESTOCK

The basic operation is to add new stock (Boards and offcuts) to the library.

Import file	e 2440	~	1220	98				
MI.CI3-03	2110	Λ	1220	90				
MFC15-04	3660	Х	1830	15				
MFC15-05	2010	х	1680	61				
Board library			BEFORE				AFTER	
MFC15-03	2440	х	1220	320	MFC15-03	2440	x 1220	320
MFC15-04	3660	х	1830	26	MFC15-04	3660	x 1830	26
					MFC15-05	2010	x 1680	61

The format can be set via the System parameters in the user profile or via the /FORMAT switch. The format must match the file name extension

```
STOCK MyBoards.bdx /OVERWRITESTOCK /FORMAT:1
```

The numbers for the /FORMAT switch are:- 0 - BRD format, 1 - BDX format, 2 - Bargstedt stock file BESTAND.STK.

To overwrite the quantities of existing board codes use the /OVERWRITEEXISTING switch.

STOCK MyBoards.bdx /OVERWRITESTOCK /FORMAT:1 /OVERWRITEEXISTING

```
Import file
MFC15-03 2440 x 1220
                         98
MFC15-04
          3660 x 1830
                         15
MFC15-05 2010 x 1680
                         61
                      BEFORE
Board library
                                                      AFTER
                                          2440 x 1220
          2440 x 1220 320
                                MFC15-03
MFC15-03
                                                         98
MFC15-04
          3660 x 1830
                                MFC15-04
                                          3660 x 1830
                                                         15
                        26
                                MFC15-05
                                          2010 x 1680
                                                         61
```

For the BDX format only - a separator can be specified; this is useful where the BDX fields are separated by a character other than a comma, for example a colon.

STOCK MyBoards.bdx /OVERWRITESTOCK /FORMAT:1 /SEP:":"

The separator can be specified as a character or a number e.g. /SEP:58 or /SEP:":"

Can also include the /BOARDOPTIONS and /OFFCUTOPTIONS commands to control the overwrite process. e.g.

```
STOCK.EXE /OVERWRITESTOCK /BOARDOPTIONS:1 /OFFCUTOPTIONS:0
```

The options are:-

0 = do nothing

1 = clear quantities

2 = remove items

# Import or Overwrite stock from external SQL database

This follows the rules in the above sections. An example is:-

```
STOCK /IMPORTSTOCK /FORMAT:3 /UPDATEEXISTING /ADDNEWSTOCK STOCK /OVERWRITESTOCK /FORMAT:3
```

The relevant system parameters must be set to make the link to the external database.

# **Issue stock**

STOCK /ISSUESTOCK

This issues stock for the current run. This can also include the command: /OPT to control the stock update, e.g.

STOCK /ISSUESTOCK /OPT:23

# Options are:-

- 1 Adjust boards
- 2 Adjust offcuts
- 3 Add offcuts
- 4 Adjust edging
- 5 Adjust fittings
- 6 Adjust monthly summary

# **Allocate stock**

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STOCK /ALLOCSTOCK

Allocation records are assigned the current date in the 'cut date' field.

This allocates stock for the current run.

# **Reset Transactions**

STOCK /RESET

Produces the End of Month / Year report. Stock transactions (audit trail) are automatically exported to an external file. The external file is located in the: Path for Stock libraries (if set) other it is located in the Path for library data. For example:-

Transactions 2015-09-25 1305.csv

### Import stock from file in user defined format

/UDF

Example: /UDF:"board import"

The default extension is ubx. If the file name is not set the program uses the file specified in system parameters.

Other options are:

[/UPDATEEXISTING] [/ADDNEWSTOCK] [/SEP:<separator>]

The /SEP option takes precedence over the separator specified in the board import parameters.

# **Notes**

- separator can be any ASCII code between 32 and 127 except the following (0 to 9, A to Z or a to z).
- for /FORMAT the program runs in silent mode and any errors are sent to a .ERR file.

Stand alone Minimum free stock report

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Use program: STOCK

STOCK /MINFREESTOCK

The output defaults to all materials rather than prompting for a range. The minimum free stock report appears on screen and may be printed in the usual way.

# 5.6 Import product requirements - stand alone

Use program: PRODIMP

```
PRODIMP [filename] [/AUTO] [/DELETE] [/UDF:<parameter filename>]
/[SEP:<separator] [/CALCPARTS] [/IGNORENULL]</pre>
```

filename - file with requirements information

/AUTO - silent running

/DELETE - delete import file

User defined

Import stock from file in user defined format

/UDF

Example: /UDF:"board import"

The default extension is ubx. If the file name is not set the program uses the file specified in system parameters.

Other options are:

```
[/UPDATEEXISTING] [/ADDNEWSTOCK] [/SEP:<separator>]
```

The /SEP option takes precedence over the separator specified in the board import parameters.

Separator

/SEP:<separator>

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Specify the separator for the file.

```
/SEP:58
/SEP:":"
```

The separator is either the decimal ASCII number or the character enclosed in quotes. The separator can be any ASCII code between 32 and 127 except the following (0 to 9, A to Z or a to z).

If the separator is not valid an error is reported.

# Calculation of parts

/CALCPARTS

Creates the part list and cutting list automatically

Ignore Null variable answers

#### /IGNORENULL

If this is used then any NULL values in the file will not be used to blank out variable answers during the import process.

# **Errors**

Any errors created during import and generation of the product requirement file, part list and cutting list files are placed in the PRODIMP.ERR file.

#### **Note**

/CALCPARTS can only be used in standalone mode and therefore needs to be run with the /AUTO command.

# 5.7 Saw transfer - stand alone

Use the program: SAWLINK

SAWLINK [/Switches]

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Use the various switch options to specify the details of the transfer, for example:-

# **Switches**

NB /AUTO is mandatory for stand alone operation.

Switch	Options	Example	Default
/SAWPATH=name	Full path name	/SAWPATH="c:\saw transfer"	current directory
/TRANSMODE=number	Saw transfer mode number (2 - 14)	/TRANSMODE=3	6 (Cadmatic III)
/WARNING=number	Retransfer warning level (1 or 2)	/WARNING=1	0 (not set)
/ONLINEPATH=name	Full path for online data	/ONLINE=c:\MySawData	blank (no path set)
/LOGIN=number:name:password	Authentication required User name Password	/LOGIN=1:userjones:dfxgy	0 (login not used)
/SAFE=number:value:value	Safe transfer enabled (0-1) Timeout 1 Timeout 2	/SAFE=1:3:5	0 (not used)
/SPARE=text			blank
/PTXOPTIONS=command	P - prompt before overwrite R - one file per run	/PTXOPTIONS=P /PTXOPTIONS=PR	blank (not set)
/CPOUT=number	Cpout naming method (0-1)	/CPOUT=1	0
/ILENIA=number llenia controller	Use Ilenia controller (0-1)	/ILENIA=1	0
/CADMATIC=code	Type of Cadmatic CADR - Cadmatic III recursive CAD4 - Cadmatic 4	/CADMATIC=CAD4	blank (Cadmatic III)
/IMAGE=format code,color code	Colour codes (BMPM,BMP24,BMP, BMP16,BMP256,WMF,EMF,JPG,JPEG) Use colour (0-1)	/IMAGE=BMP256,1	blank (not set)
/ALPHA=number	Allow alphanumeric runs for Cadmatic 1/II (0-1)	/ALPHA=1	0 (not set)
/COMMSPORT=port code	Communication port for saw	/COMMSPORT=COM1	blank (not set)
/GROUP=number	Transfer to group (group number)	/GROUP=1	blank (not set)
/RUN-name	Run number to use	/RUN=10023	current batch
/AUTO	Stand alone (silent) operation	/AUTO	
/DXFOPTIONS	Specify output format for DXF files	/DXFOPTIONS=1:0:1:1	1=include 0=do not include
/DELETE	Delete runs after transfer	/DELETE	
/number	Saw number (line number of saw transfer parameters (0-6)	/1	

Refer to the Saw transfer parameters for full details of each option

#### Notes

- For file names and commands with spaces use quotation marks to enclose the text
- Specifying a run to transfer. The run can be either a name or a run number:-

```
/RUN=00001
/RUN="Week 1"
```

If any run files are missing an error is reported

- The format of the commands reflects the usage in the previous Options command
- /GROUP this refers to the number of the group in the saw transfer parameter list. The first group in the list is group 1 and the next group 2 etc.

### Previous commands

- /AUTO, /DELETE, and /number are the previous commands - these can still be used in the same way. But do NOT use with any of the other commands; in this case /number means that any other command options are ignored. This also applies to the new /GROUP command.

/AUTO automatic and silent transfer of files

'Automatic and silent' - means that the transfer program does not use screen displays or report prompts and errors on screen. Transfers the current batch of runs.

/DELETE - remove original files

Run files are deleted from the directory set by the System parameter: Path for data, when the whole batch is successfully transferred to the saw. Only files associated with the current batch are deleted (<run>.\*).

/n saw number

The 'n' stands for the number of the item in the saw transfer parameter list.

e.g. ..\SAWLINK /AUTO /1 /delete

Previously for saw transfer the /DELETE option also deleted any parameter files associated

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with run. This is no longer done. The files deleted are:-

Run name.\* - any file matching the run name in the Path for data Cutting list (.ctt) - from 'Path for part lists' if set or 'Path for data' otherwise Part list (.prl) - from 'Path for part lists' if set or 'Path for data' otherwise Board list (.brd) - board list associated with the run Batch file (.btc)

- Cadmatic saws in a group must all use the same controller
- Machines using PTX transfer must export the same pattern image format

# Separate offcut patterns

Use this switch for stand alone saw transfer to separate offcut patterns to a different run (/SEPARATEOFCRUNS=1).

```
..\sawlink /AUTO /SAWPATH="c:\Saw transfer" /TRANSMODE=6 /CADMATIC=CAD4 /SEPARATEOFCRUNS=1
```

# Saw transfer to DXF

The DXF saw transfer options can be specified as a command line option for stand alone operation.

```
/DXFOPTIONS=1:0:1:1
```

The four digits correspond to the for layers so in the above example the BOARD layer and OFFCUT layer would be included in the DXF files and the PART and CUT layers would not. By default if no DXF options are specified then all layers are generated.

#### Lite

The following arguments are used:

Sawlink /AUTO /SAWPATH=path /DELETE

# 5.8 Back up User profile - stand alone

Take a copy of a user profile.

The backup process can also be activated from the command line. Program must run from a User profile

BACKUP /AUTO /PATH=<path name>

/AUTO - silent operation (any errors are stored in a backup.err file in the user profile).

/PATH - override current System parameter: Path for backup and place the backup file in a different directory/folder

```
BACKUP /AUTO /PATH=E:\BACKUPS
```

If no path specified or invalid path and error is reported

#### 5.9 Stand alone operation - examples

Example of stand alone operation - 1

In this example a Windows batch file is used to control the process of importing a part list from a pattern exchange file and optimising the part list.

The batch file (example2.bat) contains:-

```
..\import %1 /format:8
..\batch %1 /optimise /auto
```

It is located in a user profile (in this case V10demo).

%1 is the usual Windows batch file place holder

The batch file example2.bat is run from a Windows shortcut which provides the name of the file to import.

The 'Start in' box is important since the batch file must be located in or start in the V10 user profile.

**Errors** - if an error occurs .ERR files are created in the user profile, for example, IMPORT.ERR. These are text files and can be viewed with any Windows text editor or Word processor.

# Example of stand alone operation - 2

In this example a part list is imported from a pattern exchange file, optimised and the Board summary exported to a spread sheet. The batch file (example4.bat) contains:-

```
..\import %1 /format:8
..\batch %1 /optimise /auto
..\output /export /reports=E
copy ..\V10demo\import\%1e.csv
"c:\program files\Microsoft office\office10\excel.exe" ..\V10demo\import\%1e.csv
```

The last two lines copy the resulting EXD file to CSV and load it into a spread sheet. The spread sheet commands will vary depending on the system used.

The batch file is located in a user profile (in this case V10demo).

%1 is the usual Windows batch file place holder

Note - the second value of the system parameter: Run - last, use part list must be set so that the output files (ptn and exd) have the same name as the part list that is imported and optimised.

The batch file example4.bat is run from a Windows shortcut which provides the name of the file to import.

In this case the file extensions are not used (they are not needed) as they would clash with the operation of the batch file.

The result is the board summary data loaded into a spread sheet ready for use.

# Other stand alone options

There are various stand alone options for the Online label PC, the Saw Queue, and Saw Simulation programs but these are part of the operation of the programs themselves and are covered in the Help.

Most of the portions of the Optimising software can be run directly from the command line but there is not really any purpose in this and it is safer to run the full program in the

usual way. To restrict access to some parts of the program use System parameters or purchase security keys with a restricted set of modules available e.g. Parts Only.

Use the Auxiliary menu on the main menu screen to set up links to other programs. This is usually a better method than using a batch file to achieve the same result.

### 5.10 CadLink program

Stand alone program for direct conversion from Pattern Exchange to Cadmatic III/IV (recursive)

- To install copy the cadlink.exe program to the required location
- Check the Cadlink security key is plugged in

The format of the command line for Cadlink is:-

```
cadlink filename [destination] [/options]
```

filename - argument to specify the input file(s) (e.g. c:\V10\import\week1.ptx)

Input files are Pattern exchange files (.ptx .mdb)

Wildcards can be included (e.g. c:\V10\import\\*.mdb)

If only name and extension are used (e.g. week3.ptx) program assumes current directory as the location

If including a path do not use the relative path format (e.g. . . \)

[] - indicates an optional value or argument

Maximum length for *filename*: 150 characters - within this the name has a maximum length of 50 characters (e.g.  $c:\v10\import\job325-exchangefile-01.ptx$ )

There are several different types of path:-

Mapped drive - c:\V10\user1 UNC (Universal naming convention) - \\mainsrv\N\V10\user1 Relative path - ..\V10\user1

The program and most dialogs for paths support all these types of path specification. There are restrictions on the overall length of the path and some characters are not allowed in path names. Paths can include spaces and dots.

```
\\Testbed09\os (c)\V10.gt6\V10.exe
```

destination - argument to specify the path where .saw files are created (e.g.
c:\cadv40\data\saw)

Specify path only
Trailing '\' is not required
If no destination is specified the same directory as the input files is assumed
Do not use the relative path format (e.g. . . \)
Program creates path specified if it does not exist
Maximum length for *destination*: 150 characters
Destination argument is optional

options - settings to control Cadlink operation.

Only specify the options required (if any).

/BACKGROUND[:n]
/DELETE
/HIDE
/RESULT=[path]
/INF=[n-m]
/UDI=[n-m]

[] - indicates an optional value or argument

The following can also be used as an alternative to the *filename* and *destination* arguments.

/FILENAME=filename /DESTINATION=destination

See below for full details for each option.

# Example

cadlink c:\V10\import\week1.ptx c:\cadv40\data\saw /BACKGROUND:10
/DELETE

# **Note**

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If no options are used program looks for '\*.ptx' in the current working directory. This allows the program to run just by double-clicking in Windows Explorer.

\*.\* is allowed - this means \*.ptx and \*.mdb

#### Cadlink initialisation errors

Irrespective of foreground / background mode, the program must pass certain tests before it can begin processing files. If these tests fail the program terminates with one of the following (negative) exit codes.

- -1 No security key
- -2 Access denied to source path (read)
- -3 Access denied to destination path (write)
- -4 Program initialisation error

#### Cadlink error return / result files

When converting a single pattern exchange file Cadlink returns the result in the program exit code. The exit code is zero for a successful import or non zero to indicate an error.

If a wildcard is used (e.g. \*.ptx) then for each pattern exchange file which matches the wildcard pattern the program creates a result file (<ptx name>.rlt).

A result file is created even if an import is successful.

If all imports are successful, the program exits with code zero otherwise the exit code is the first error encountered. Pattern exchange files which already have a result file in the destination path are ignored.

If the program is running in background mode result files are always created / checked since the program has no exit code. The existence of the .rlt file prevents the program from continuously importing a bad pattern exchange file.

The result file (.rlt) contains three lines as follows:

ASCII/Unicode PTX

[error number] [field number] [line number]

# MDB PTX

[error number] [field number] [table name]

Successful imports have zeros on all three lines. A line number or table name may not always be applicable, in which case these fields will be zero.

# List of error numbers

- -1 No security key
- -2 Access denied to source path (read)
- -3 Access denied to destination path (write)
- -4 Program initialisation error
- 0 Import successful
- 1 File not found
- 2 Bad format (General catch-all)
- 3 Too many jobs
- 4 Duplicate jobs
- 5 Too many part types
- 6 Too many board types
- 7 Too many patterns
- 8 Too many cuts
- 9 Illegal part index
- 10 Illegal board index
- 11 Illegal pattern index
- 12 Illegal cut index
- 13 Illegal Offcut index
- 14 Cadplan Too many parts to optimise
- 15 Cadplan Too many boards to optimise
- 16 Cadplan Optimiser fatal error
- 17 Illegal material index

# Job naming / multiple jobs

The PTX format allows for multiple jobs so more than one .saw file may be created. Job names are listed in the JOBS record and these names are used to name the saw files.

Note - the program does not attempt to split runs for the saw.

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# Input files (/FILENAME)

Full path to the input file(s). Format is:-

/FILENAME=filename

/FILENAME=c:\V10\import\week1.ptx

Format and restrictions the same as the *filename* argument (see above)

Location for .saw files (/DESTINATION)

Location where .saw files are created. Format is:-

/DESTINATION=destination

/DESTINATION=c:\cadv40\data\saw

Format and restrictions the same as the destination argument (see above)

### Background mode (/BACKGROUND)

In this mode the program does not terminate. It periodically checks the specified path for PTX files which match and automatically converts new files as they are found. To ensure that Cadlink does not consume too much of the processor time there is a configurable 'sleep' time between checks (n seconds). Format is:-

/BACKGROUND[:n]

/BACKGROUND /BACKGROUND:10

If no value follows the /BACKGROUND option the program assumes a default of 5 seconds.

Delete (/DELETE)

Delete successfully imported PTX files. Format is:-

/DELETE

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This option also deletes any results (rlt) files matching the pattern exchange files.

# Results file (/RESULT)

Specify the location for the results (.rlt) file(s). Format is:-

/RESULT=[path]

e.g.

/RESULT

/RESULT=c:\ResultsFiles

If this option is not set the results files are created in the same location as the input files. If the option is set but no path is specified this forces the program to create results files (in the same location as the Input files).

*Note* - where a single named file is imported the results file is not automatically created as the results are returned in the exit codes (see above).

### Run hidden (/HIDE)

Running Cadlink with the /HIDE option runs the program in hidden mode. If Cadlink is also running in background mode (/BACKGROUND) then it can only be terminated via the Windows Task Manager. Format is:-

/HIDE

Order and range of information boxes (/INF/UDI)

The pattern exchange format has two forms of part information box:

PARTS\_UDI = 60 user defined information boxes PARTS\_INF = 28 fixed fields of information

When V10 imports the PTX, information box parameters allow the fields in PARTS\_INF to be directed to nominated information boxes. These then take precedence over fields in the PARTS\_UDI which would otherwise populate that box.

Cadlink does not have the information box settings required to map PARTS\_INF fields to specific information boxes. Instead this is done by the following options.

/INF=n-m /UDI=n-m

Where n=1st field, m = last field

Note - these options also appear in cadlink.ini

The relative order of these commands is important, whether they appear in the .ini file or on the command line. They can be mixed with other arguments but if /INF comes before /UDI then this dictates the order in the final information boxes in the .SAW file.

The internal default is /UDI /INF, so this results in 60 PARTS\_UDI fields followed by 28 PARTS\_INF.

Note - if no options are specified this results in 60 PARTS\_UDI fields followed by 28 PARTS\_INF

#### Examples for /INF and /UDI

```
/INF /UDI - all 28 PARTS_INF followed by all PARTS_UDI
(88 boxes in total)
/INF - all 28 PARTS_INF, no PARTS_UDI
/INF=1-10 /UDI=5-60 - first 10 PARTS_INF followed by PARTS_UDI fields 5-60
(65 boxes in total)
/INF=9 /UDI - PARTS_INF field 9 (only) followed by all PARTS_UDI
(61 boxes in total)
```

#### Unicode

The "/UNICODE=" option can be used in the Cadlink.ini file or as a command line argument to configure the generation of Unicode files. Valid settings are "UTF8" and "UTF16LE".

e.g. /UNICODE=UTF8 /UNICODE=UTF16LE

# Allow options to be entered in Cadlink.ini

As an alternative to running with command-line arguments the options can be set up in a file: *cadlink.ini*. This feature allows Cadlink to run from Windows Explorer.

If the program finds *cadlink.ini* in the program directory (folder containing cadlink.exe), it ignores any command-line options and uses this instead.

Lines in the file are identified by the relevant option keyword (e.g. /FILENAME) and can be in any order.

Each option must occupy a different line in the file.

/FILENAME=filename /DESTINATION=destination /BACKGROUND[:n] /DELETE /HIDE /RESULT=[path] /INF=[n-m] /UDI=[n-m]

An example cadlink.ini file is shown below:

```
/FILENAME=c:\import\*.*
/DESTINATION=z:\cadpool\online
/BACKGROUND:15
/DELETE
/HIDE
```

#### **Notes**

Passing supplementary optimising, saw, and destacking parameters to the .saw file

Only a few parameters are given in the .ptx file format (mainly in the MATERIALS record). These are passed directly to the Cadmatic in the .saw file but the saw controller may need additional optimising, saw, and destacking parameters in order to obtain finer control over the cutting patterns and destacking functions.

To facilitate this, if optimising, saw and material parameter filenames are specified in the PTX file, the program searches for these files in the program directory (the folder containing cadlink.exe). Values from these files are passed to the .saw file.

If no parameters are specified in the PTX (the files do not exist or fail to be read) default values are used.

Parameters in the PTX take precedence over supplementary parameters.

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Similarly the program attempts to read destacking parameters from the program directory if they are available.

File type Extension / name
Optimising parameters .prm
Saw parameters .spm
Material parameters .mpm
Destacking parameters mdestack.ctl (metric) idestack.ctl (inches)

# Supported keys

Cadlink can run with the Cadplan key. The full list of supported keys is:- Cadlink, Cadplan, Modular (SI module) and Master keys. Single keys or network keys are supported.

#### Tension trims

Specify rip tension trims by using function code '81' in the CUTS record of a PTX file. The dimension specified in these records represents the tension trim dimension (less kerf) output to the CAD4 SAW file.

#### 5.11 Quotes and Orders Import - Stand alone

Use the program Import services for quotes and orders with other systems via the command line or batch file.

It is sometimes useful, especially for processes that are commonly repeated, to use them in a link with other programs.

The stand alone options are used for this. Quotes/Orders import can be used in this way.

Use program: PRODIMP

```
PRODIMP [filename][/QUOTE] [/AUTO] [/DELETE] [/UDF:<parameter
filename>] [/SEP] [/FORMAT:nn] [/IGNORENULL]
```

Filename – file with the requirements information

 $\label{eq:QUOTE-necessary} \ \text{for importing quotes, otherwise this program will start in import requirement mode}$ 

```
/AUTO - silent running
```

 $/ \mathtt{DELETE} - delete import file$ 

# User defined

/UDF

Where there is an import parameter for user defined parts the parameter file can be specified on the command line with the UDF option.

```
PRODIMP testfile /AUTO /DELETE /UDF:prodprm
```

#### Separator

```
/SEP:<separator>
```

Specify the separator for the file.

e.g.

```
/SEP:58
```

/SEP:":"

The separator is either the decimal ASCII number or the character enclosed in quotes.

The separator can be any ASCII code between 32 and 127 except the following (0 to 9, A to Z or a to z).

If the separator is not valid an error is reported.

# File format

/FORMAT:nn

0 - CSV

1 - XLS

#### 2 - XLSX

e.g. /FORMAT:1

# Ignore Null variable answers

/IGNORENULL

If this is used then any NULL values in the file will not be used to blank out variable answers during the import process.

#### **Errors**

Any errors created during the import and generation of the product requirement file, part list and cutting list files are placed in the QUOTEIMP.ERR file.

# 6. Useful system and other parameters

This is a brief overview of parameters that are important for stand alone, import or export operations. Full details of each parameter are available in the on-screen help.

Even when parts of the program are running in 'stand alone' mode the parameters must be set up in the same way as for the full program. So System parameters, Import parameters, Machine centre parameters etc. must be set for the stand alone options to operate correctly.

# System parameters

For any import, export or stand alone option to work correctly set up the relevant system parameters. The sub-sets described in this section are the ones that typically require attention.

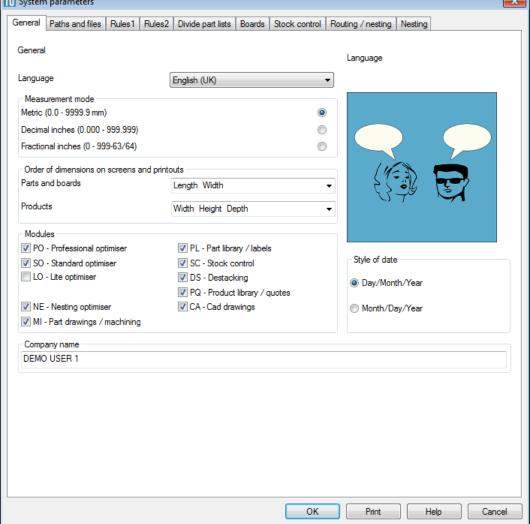
To locate the system parameters select the following at the main screen.

- Parameters System parameters
- System parameters

There is just one set of system parameters for each User profile.

System parameters General Paths and files Rules1 Rules2 Divide part lists Boards Stock control Routing / nesting Nesting

The settings apply to all the data and operations in a user profile.



System parameters

Important parameters for the Interface guide are listed below.

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#### Measurement mode

- millimetres
- decimal inches
- fractional inches

*Millimetres* are the standard metric measure to one decimal place. e.g.1230.5mm 96.5mm

Decimal inches are inches expressed as decimals. e.g. 60.125 in. 12.500 in.

Fractional inches are inches expressed as imperial fractions. e.g. 3-1/4 in. 25-3/16 in.

Enter fractional inches in the style 99-99/99.

The measurement mode is usually the same measurement mode as the saw, machining centre or other machinery.

# Path for import data

System parameter to set directory containing data for import

For example:- C:\VER\IMPORT

If the path does not exist the program prompts to create the path.

*Note* - if the path contains names of two or more directories that do not exist the program does not create the directories

Typical data to import are part lists, board lists and product requirements.

#### Path for Export data

System parameter to set directory used by program for exporting data to

For example:-

C:\VER\EXPORT

If the path does not exist the program prompts to create the path

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*Note* - if the path contains names of two or more directories that do not exist the program does not create the directories

Data available for export:-

Summaries
Part and product costing data
Operations and fittings
Cutting list

There are separate paths for import and export so files can be imported from one directory and exported to another.

- The choice of layout and data exported are set in the *Review runs - Parameters* ('Exported' button)

#### **Create data for**

Generate extra data for reports

Some data and reports are only available with the appropriate module

- no extra data
- cutting times
- offcuts
- cutting dimensions
- edging
- part drawings
- transfer part drawings to saw
- destacking
- baseboard cutting list
- exported cutting list (parts only)
- exported cutting list (parts and boards)
- convert destack data for Cadmatic (BSB/SDS)

**Lite** - cutting dimensions are created automatically - no need to set a value for this parameter.

The program uses the extra data when producing reports, such as, the offcut, edging, and destacking summaries. Only select those items you need as this speeds up the operation of the program. For example, if not making use of offcuts there is no need to create the data for the offcut report.

- Check all the options required

Note - For cutting length value on the Management summary select Cutting times

#### **Order of dimensions**

Length	Width	Width	Length
540.0	345.5	345.5	540.0
240.0	682.0	682.0	250.0
921.0	750.0	750.0	821.0

The part 'Dimensions' are the Length and Width of the part. Set this parameter to choose which order the length and width columns appear on the screen.

- Length Width
- Width Length

In Europe most lists of sizes appear in the order Length-Width but the order Width-Length is more frequently used in the USA and Canada.

The order applies wherever the part length and width are displayed e.g. Board library, Part list, Review runs reports.

# **Export cutting list format**

Set the format for exported cutting lists.

The formats available are.-

Export format	Max parts	Max boards
DOS Lite	60	50
V6 / Windows Lite	250	200
Cut Planner	100	20
Optisave	225	20
PNX/BDX	2000	200
PNX/BDX	250	200

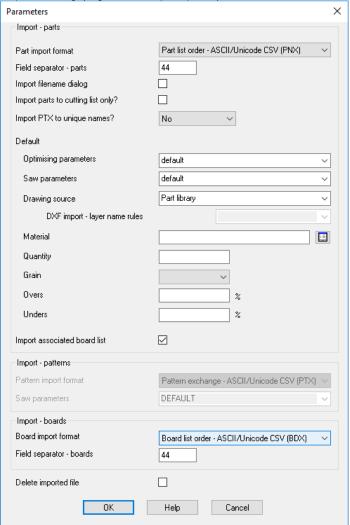
The columns 'Max. Parts' and 'Max. Boards' show the maximum values for part and board lists for each format. The software automatically divides lists that have more than the maximum parts into smaller units. Control the maximum number of board types by editing the board list or board library.

- For the 'Optisave' format the length of each information box is limited to 30 characters.

Also set the System parameter: *Create data for* so that exported data is created. If lists are divided the type of division is set in: *System parameters* 

# **Import parameters**

These control the type of import for parts, patterns and boards. They are available at the Import dialog (e.g. File - Import parts). Then select: **File - Parameters.** 



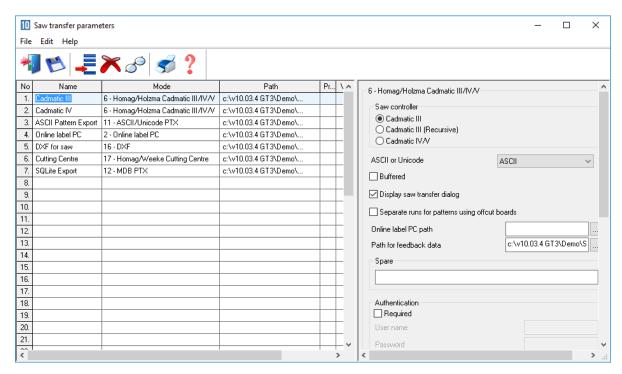
Import parameters

These can be used to, for example, set the type of Import (e.g. from PTX) and specify the separator used between fields.

# Saw transfer parameters

For transfer to the saw set the saw transfer parameters for each saw.

- Parameters
- Saw transfer parameters



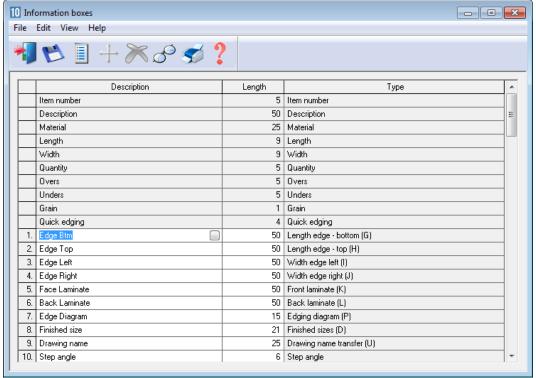
Saw transfer parameters

Make sure the 'Path' and 'Mode' are correct for the saw.

# **Information boxes**

Where the data for parts includes extra information such as detailed edging data, tracking numbers, finished sizes etc. make sure that the Information boxes are correctly set up to cope with the incoming data for import.

Use the Information box parameters for this. Add pre-defined or user defined boxes as necessary.

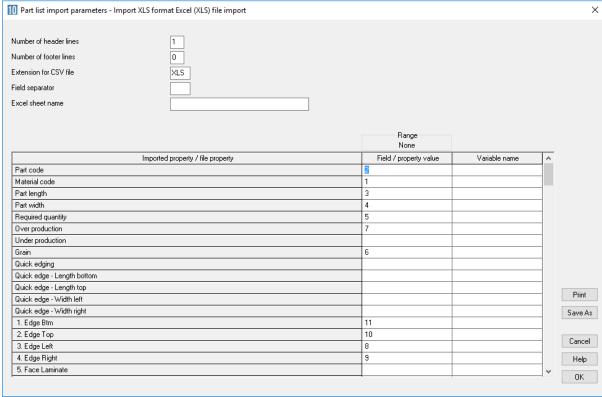


Information boxes

Take care when changing these parameters since they apply to all part lists. It is often OK to add new items but deleting or changing an existing item may cause a problem with part lists already using that item.

# Part list import parameters

Where data is imported from an external file use the 'Part list import' parameters to define that file format so that it can be correctly imported by the program.

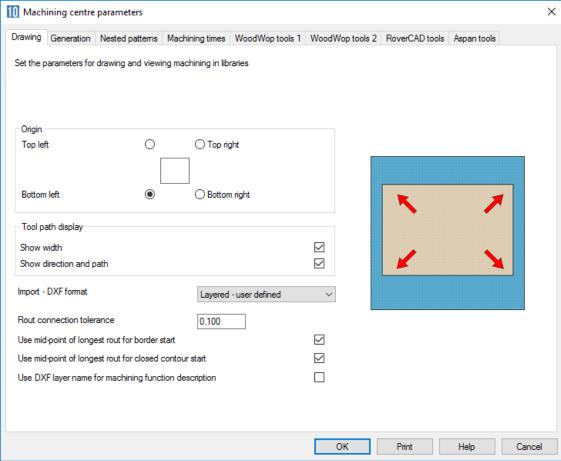


Part list import parameters

This sets up the link between the fields in the external file and the fields in the part list including information boxes.

# Machining centre parameters

Where transfer to a machining centre is involved make sure that the Machining centre is correctly described in the Machining centre parameters (*Main screen - Parameters - Machining centre parameters*)

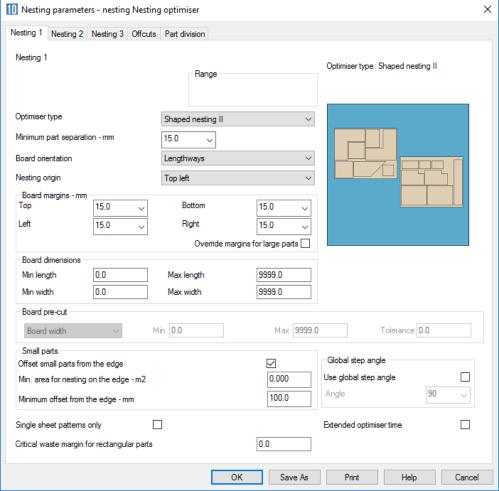


Machining centre parameters

Click on a tab for each set of parameters.

# **Nesting parameters**

These are used with the Nesting optimisers. They describe the constraints on the nesting machinery and operation.



Nesting parameters

These are used instead of the Optimising parameters for the Nesting optimisers. There are also some System parameters that need to be set for Nesting.

Nesting also uses the Machining centre parameters to describe the Machining centre.

# **Limits and maximum sizes**

The following list shows the most important limits on list sizes, field lengths etc. These limits apply to the Professional Optimiser.

<u>Item</u>	<u>Limit</u>
Max items in part list	20000
Max items in cutting list	20000
Max items in board list	5000
Max items in cutting list per optimization (saw)	9999
Max items in cutting list per optimization (nesting)	4000
Max items in board list per optimization (saw)	5000
Max items in board list per optimization (nesting)	2000
Max material types per run(saw)	5000
Max material types per run(nesting)	2000
Max offcuts in run	7500
Max patterns in run (saw)	5000
Max patterns in run (nesting)	2000
Max dimension for parts and board (mm)	9999
Max parts in a pattern (saw)	5000
Max shapes in a nested pattern	1000
Max value for quantity part / board list	99999
Max run quantity per pattern	99999
Max runs in batch	250
Max length of product code	25
Max length of part code	50
Max length of material code	50
Max length of material code (edging library)	50
Max length of board code	25
Max length of edge code	50
Max length of destacking code	50
Max length of machining code	50
Max length of drawing code	25
Max length of pattern code	20
Max length of machine drawing file ref	9
Max length of run number	8
Max length of Order or Allocation code	8
Max length for Stock order number	8
Max length of variable name	25
Max length of formula name	25
Max length of part description (part library)	25
Max length of product description (prod. library)	25
Max length of memo field (product library)	100
Max. records in product library	99999
Max. records in material library	99999
Max. capacity of Board library	Access mdb
Max. records in order library	99999

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Max. records in stock allocations library	99999
Max. records in orders library	99999
Max. records in orders library.	99999
Max. records in destacking library	99999
Max. records in part library	99999
Max items in variables table	2000
Max items in formula table	5000
Max items in lookup table	5000
Max items in product definition.	500
Max sub-assembly items in product (inc above)	
Max variables in product definition	500
Max global variables in product definition.	100
Max length of product inf. in req. list	50
Max number of information boxes	99
Max length of information box data	200
Max length of information box title	30
Max length of formula - general	80
Max length of formula - formula table	300
Max length of file names	50
Max items in Quotes/Orders list	999
Max items in Requirements list	999
Max length of file name	50
Max length of path	150
Max length of file extension	4