

Guide

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1. Working with Express

The Express program is a simple and straightforward way of generating cutting patterns for a cutting list. It is designed for the smaller workshop using a sliding table saw or vertical saw and is focused on producing efficient cutting patterns from lists of part sizes and available materials (boards).

It is Windows software running on a single PC.

Express - at a glance



This is how to work with Express:-

- Create a New cutting list
- · Enter the part sizes, material and quantities required
- Enter the available board sizes



- · Review and print the results
- · Use the Cutting instructions to set the saw

What is Optimising?

The aim of the optimiser is to produce the most efficient patterns in terms of cost. This depends on:-

- Cutting list sizes
- Constraints on cutting (trims, saw kerf)
- Board sizes available
- Material costs

The process of optimising weighs all these factors and produces a set of cutting patterns.

A tour of Express

As an introduction to the software we enter a cutting list, optimise it, and look at the results.

If Express is not yet installed - look at the section: 'Setup (install)'

(It may be helpful to read through this guide before installing the software to become familiar with the overall operation of the program).



To run the program click on the icon on the desktop

The first screen is the 'Splash' screen which appears for a few moments.



The program moves automatically to the Main screen.

Main screen

This is the command centre of the system. Access all the options and choices from here.



Note - A set of demonstration data is included when the program is setup.

At the far left is a stacked Toolbar (Shortcut Bar) giving quick access to each section of the program.

At the centre left is a tree/index showing the various options and existing data.

There is also a top toolbar and menu options to access all the other program features.

The other section of the screen optionally shows an information panel and a pane showing the contents of the currently selected file, for example, a cutting list.

Measurement mode - The program works in millimetres, fractional inches, or decimal inches. The operation of the software is the same in each case except that fractional inches are displayed and entered in fractional format (44×61 -1/4, 96×48 -1/2).

This tour uses: Millimetres.

Note - arrange the screen to suit your way of working with the *View* menu option and by adjusting the size of each pane with the mouse (place the cursor at the edge of a pane to display the grab handles).

Enter a cutting list

To enter a list of sizes:-

At the tree open up the 'Cutting lists' branch (click on the + symbol).



• Double click on the **New...** option

The program moves to the Cutting list screen and shows a new blank list.

At the 'Title' box enter a title for the list.

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	Boards												
	Board	Material	Length	Width	Thickness	Information	Quan	tity	Cost	-			
Global										Ŧ			
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(If the 'Title' box is not visible - select: View - Properties to switch on the Title box)

- Move to the line labelled 1 in the 'Parts' section (use the mouse or Tab)
- Enter the part details including the quantity required

The details to enter for each part are as follows:-

Description - Any code or short description of the part.

Material code - A code for the board material to use for that part.

Express uses this to match up the parts with the available boards in the board list. Each board size and material needs a unique code. For example:-

MEL-CHIP-18MM (melamine faced chipboard 18mm thickness) MED-DEN-FIBRE-18 (medium density fibre board 18mm thickness)

Sizes - the length and width of the part. *Quantity* - the quantity of the part required for this job

Grain - the material grain of the part

Y - grained (grain runs with length of the part)N - no grain (part can be placed either way)X - grained (grain run across the width of the part)

White melamine typically has no grain but Teak laminate is grained. The program uses the grain setting to make sure that each part is correctly laid out on the board and where the grain needs to run along the length of the part it does so.

Overs and Unders - these columns specify any over or under production (these are ignored on this tour).

Global line - the line at the top of the list is called the global line. This can be used to provide a common answer for every part in the list for a given field - in this example the over and under percentages are set to 0 percent for all parts as they are not used in this tour.

After entering a few sizes the 'Parts' section should be similar to the following.

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Title Example 1 Parameters												
	Parts											
	Description	Material	Length	Width	Quantity	Over	Under	Grain	1			
Global						[%	0%					
1.	UNIT-BASE	MEL-CHIP-18	585.0	470.0	8	0	0	N				
2.	UNIT-DRAWER	TEAK-LAM-18	770.0	585.0	12	0	0	Y	1			
3.	UNIT-END	TEAK-LAM-18	770.0	400.0	8	0	0	Y	=			
4.	UNIT-PLINTH	MEL-CHIP-18	623.0	230.0	8	0	0	Y	1			
5.	UNIT-SHELF	MEL-CHIP-18	470.0	390.0	12	0	0	N	1			
6.	UNIT-DOOR	TEAK-LAM-18	620.0	390.0	9	0	0	Y	1			
7.	CABINET-PLINTH	TEAK-LAM-18	770.0	360.0	12	0	0	Y	1			
8.	PANEL-FCE	TEAK-LAM-18	1190.0	740.0	8	0	0	Y	1			
9.	CABINET RAILS	MEL-CHIP-18	790.0	190.0	16	0	0	Y				
10.	END-DEC1	TEAK-LAM-18	510.0	400.0	12	0	0	N	1			
11.	UNIT-DBL-TOP	MEL-CHIP-18	935.0	618.0	6	0	0	N	1			
12.	UNIT-TOP	TEAK-LAM-18	730.0	400.0	12	0	0	Y	1			
13.	CABINET-RAIL	TEAK-LAM-18	920.0	195.0	3	0	0	Y	1_			
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We can now enter some board sizes.

- Move to the Boards section (click on row 1 with mouse or Ctrl Tab)
- · Enter details of the available boards

At the cutting list the board codes used were:-

MEL-CHIP-18MM TEAK-LAM-18

The details to enter for each board are:-

Board - a board code or description

Material - a material code

Express uses this to match up the parts with the available boards in the board list. Each board size and material needs a unique code

Sizes - the length and width of the board *Information* - any extra details about the board (e.g. supplier, quality) *Quantity* - the number of each board size in stock

Cost - the cost per square area (metre) of the material.

Enter an accurate cost as the program uses this to assess the pattern layout.

Grain - the material grain of the board

- Y grained (grain runs with length of the part)N no grain (part can be placed either way)X grained (grain run across the width of the part)

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	Parts												
	Description Material Length Width Quantity Over Under Grain												
Global							0%	0%					
1.	UNIT-BASE	MEL-CHIP-18		585.0	470.0	8	0	0	N				
2.	UNIT-DRAWER	TEAK-LAM-18		770.0	585.0	12	0	0	Y	-			
3.	UNIT-END	TEAK-LAM-18		770.0	400.0	8	0	0	Y				
4.	UNIT-PLINTH	MEL-CHIP-18		623.0	230.0	8	0	0	Y				
5.	UNIT-SHELF	MEL-CHIP-18		470.0	390.0	12	0	0	N				
6.	UNIT-DOOR	TEAK-LAM-18		620.0	390.0	9	0	0	Y				
7.	CABINET-PLINTH	TEAK-LAM-18		770.0	360.0	12	0	0	Y Y] -			
	Boards									Â			
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Global													
1.	BRD/ML/01	MEL-CHIP-18	2440.0	1220.0	18.0			320	1.340				
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Save the Cutting list

When data entry is finished - save the cutting list. To do this:-



The program prompts to save the cutting list to a file.

• Enter a file name

Save As	
File	Example1
Title	Example 1
Measurement mode	Millimetres
ОК	Help Cancel

• Select OK to confirm the save

Note - the title can be changed here if necessary

Optimise

The cutting list is now ready to optimise.

Along with the Part and Board sizes the program also requires values for the cutting constraints, for example, the 'Saw kerf', 'Size of trims' etc. These are set via the 'Optimising parameters'.

There is a default set of parameters which the program uses automatically - these are used for this tour.

(There is a section on how to adjust the parameter values later in the guide).

At the cutting list screen:-



Select the optimise symbol

Express starts the optimisation.

A small window appears while the optimisation is in progress. Use **Cancel** to abandon the optimisation.

Express shows the results.

The first screen shown is an overall summary of the optimisation called the 'Management Summary'. The optimisation results (a set of patterns) is also called a 'run' and this section of the program for looking at the results is called 'Review runs'.

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Management								E	xample 1				
summary	Description	Quantity	m2	m3	Percent	Rate	Cost	Statistic	Value				
	Required parts	177	54.59	0.98	87.33%			Number of patterns	13				
	Plus/Over parts	5	1.00	0.02	1.60%			Headcut patterns	4				
Part summary								Rotated patterns	0				
	Scrap		6.92	0.13	11.07%			Recut patterns	6				
								Number of cycles	20				
Board summary	Boards	20	62.51	1.13	100.00%								
								Waste (%Parts)	12.45%				
								Yield (%Boards)	88.93%				
Pattern	Boards used		62.51	1.13	100.00%		91.66						
summary	Total parts	182	55.59	1.00	88.93%	1.649	91.66						
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Once the optimisation is complete the results are stored and can be reviewed and printed as required.

The Management summary report shows the overall statistics for the run. For example:-

Number of parts produced Number of boards used Overall cost Overall yield

Use the Navigation bar to look at the other reports.

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summary	Total parts	182	55.59	1.00	88.93%	1.649	91.66						
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The other reports are:-

Part summary Board summary Pattern summary Input summary Material Summary Run Summary Pattern preview Patterns

The stacked toolbar at the left can also be used to access the reports and to view the patterns.



- Click on the pattern preview symbol

A thumbnail preview is shown.



The preview shows all the cutting patterns grouped by material code.

• Double click on a thumbnail to see the full pattern

X Review run File Edit V	s iew Settings Summ	aries Help				- • •				
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Summaries	Pattern 6 of 1	13				Example 1				
Pattern										
	Board: BRD/TL/02 Material: TEAK-LAM	-18	Yield: 93.09%		Size: 2440.0 x	1220.0 x 18.0 Boards: 3				
Input summary	UNTT-DRAWER	END_DEC_2	END_DEC_2							
Material summary	770 X 585	805 X 602	805 X 602	111111						
Pattern	UNIT-DRAWER	UNIT-DRAWER	UNIT-DRAWER							
preview	//U X 505	//0 x 565	//0 x 565							
Pattern	Saw kerf: 4.8 Book Rear rip trim with ker	height 1 Cycles 3 f - Rip: 10.0 Cross: ′	10.0 Retrim with k	erf: 5.0 Grain di	rection: ≓					
	✓ ► \ Pattern \ Part	s 🕻 Cutting dimensio	ons /	•						

The waste areas are shown with hash lines (or via a colour).

The patterns can include recuts and head cuts (as shown below).

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Summaries Pattern 7 of 13 Exam												xampl	e 1
Pattern											Examp	ole 1	
	Board: BRI Material: T	D/TL/02 EAK-LAM-	18		Yield: 88.9	90%			5	Size: 2440).0 x 122	0.0 x 18. Boards:	03
	END-1	DEC-2	END-1	DEC-2	UNIT. 730 X	-TOP							
Material summary	805 2	x 602	805 2	x 602	UNIT-	-TOP							
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Pattern preview	X 400	X 400	X 400	X 400	770 3	-PLIN K 360	IH I						
	Saw kerf: 4.8 Book height 1 Cycles 3												
Pattern	Rear rip tri	m with kerf	- Rip: 10.0) Cross: 1	0.0 Retrim	with ke	erf: 5.0 ∢) Grain di	irection:	⇒			
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The tab bar at the foot of each pattern shows the other pattern information, Part sizes and Cutting instructions.

The cutting instructions are for a sliding table saw and can be used to set the saw for cutting.

X Review runs											
File Edit V	iew Settings	Summaries	Help								
Summaries	Pattern	7 of 13						Exam	ole 1		
Pattern								Exar	nple 1		
summary	Cut	Size	Qty	Part	Cut	Size	Qty	Part			
	Head cut	1629.8	1		Head 1						
	Main				Trim	5.2	1				
Input summary	Trim	5.2	1		Rip	400.0	2				
in par cannury	Rip	602.0	1		Trim	0.2	1				
	Trim	5.2	1		Crosscut	730.0	1	UNIT-TOP			
	Crosscut	805.0	2	END-DEC-2	Rip	360.0	1				
Matarial	Rip	510.0	1		Trim	0.2	1				
summary	Trim	5.2	1		Crosscut	770.0	1	CABINET-PLINTH	-		
Pattern preview	Crosscut	400.0	4	END-DEC1					E		
Pattern			41						÷		
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Select exit to leave Review runs

The program returns to the Main screen.

At the main screen open up the 'Optimisations' branch of the tree. The recent optimisation is now in the list.

This run can be reviewed at any time by selecting the item.



Note - if the parts or boards are changed after an optimisation the results are no longer valid and the lists should be optimised again.

End of Tour

The tour above has shown the principal operations of Express and how to use it. The later sections give more details about the program.

2. Setup (install)

Express is downloaded as a single file named:-

Magi-Cut Express Setup.exe

- Click on this program to start the setup.

Follow the setup (install) instructions carefully. When finished the software and demonstration data is ready for use.

The Setup program displays the first screen:-



The above screen is NOT shown if Express is already installed on the PC.

Instead the program prompts to update the existing installation.



- If the existing install is modified or repaired the cutting list data is not changed - but parameter settings and screen view options are not preserved.

• Select Next to continue (Cancel to abandon)



The screen shows the Licence agreement for the UK. Use the scroll bar to navigate up and down the document (use **Print** to make a copy)

· Check the radio button to accept the agreement

The agreement must be accepted for setup to continue

Select Next to continue

The program prompts for User name and Company name.



· Enter the details

Magi-Cut Express Setup		—
Release information		
	Please read the following important release information	
	Magi-Cut Express	Â
	01-Jun-13	_
	Reference: 9644	-
MAGI-CUT EXPRESS	 Welcome to Magi-Cut Express - the cutting pattern optimiser for sheet materials. Express can optimise a list of up to 1000 pieces to be cut from a variety of materials and sheet sizes. Part sizes, quantities, grain, and board sizes can be entered by keyboard or pasted from a spreadsheet. Express observes grain direction, board trims, saw blade thickness and pattern complexity limits. 	<u>Print</u>
InstaliShield	< <u>B</u> ack <u>N</u> ext >	Cancel

The screen shows the version number and minimum hardware requirements for the program (use the **Print** button to print a copy - if required).

Magi-Cut Express Setup		×
Choose Destination Location Select folder where setup will in	n nstall files.	
	Setup will install Magi-Cut Express program files in the following folder.	
	To install to this folder, click Next.	
	To install to a different folder, click Browse and select another folder.	
	You can choose not to install Magi-Cut Express by clicking Cancel to exit setup.	
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	Destination Folder	
	c:\Magi-Cut Express Browse	
InstallShield	<pre></pre>	el

The program selects a default folder to install to.

To select another folder use the **Browse** button.

Magi-Cut Express Setup		x
Select Program Folder Please select a program folder.		
	Setup will add program icons to the Program Folder listed below. You may type a new folder name, or select one from the existing folders list. Click Next to continue.	
	Program Folder:	
	Existing Folders:	
MAGI-CUT EXPRESS	Administrative Tools Adobe RoboHelp 9 Aladdin APC Corel DVD MovieFactory Lenovo Edition Corel PaintShop Pro X4 CorelDRAW Graphics Suite X5 Games	
	Lioogle Chrome Intel Lenovo ThinkVantage Tools Magi-Cut Express Plus	
InstallShield	< <u>B</u> ack <u>N</u> ext > Cancel	

• Enter the name for the program folder (if required) or select a different folder.



The Setup program proceeds with the installation.

When Setup is finished the final screen is displayed.



Select Finish to close the Setup program

The program displays the program group.

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Organize 🔻 Include in library 🔻	Share with 🔻 Burn New folder		: • 🗋 🔞
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A shortcut is installed on the desktop and the program group is added to the Windows 'Programs' bar (at the Windows 'Start' button)

Close the program group

Note - To uninstall use the Add/Remove (Program features) option at the Windows control panel. There is no option in the program group to remove the program.

Security - For the trial version the first screen shows the remaining days for the trial; there are other options for purchasing the program. Press the 'Continue' button to move to the main screen. For the purchased system the program moves directly to the main screen; it is protected by a software security code.

Program does not run

If the program does not run there are only a few main causes.

- Program was not installed correctly
- Hardware is below minimum requirements
- The Trial version has expired (it runs for a limited number of days)

Program setup problems

It may be the program setup failed (this is quite rare unless the setup was cancelled)

- Re-try the install (in this case install to a different location on the PC)

The state of the program can be checked (if the Setup finished Ok) by running the 'Check' program.

Use Windows Explorer to move to the program directory (where the program was installed e.g. c:\Magi-Cut Express).

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Organize 🔻 Include in library 🔻	Share with 🔻 Burn New folder		= - 1 0
🖌 🗙 Favorites	Name	Date modified	Туре
📃 Desktop	鷆 Data	11/06/2013 12:31	File folder
🐌 Downloads	퉬 Guides	11/06/2013 12:41	File folder
🕮 Recent Places	퉬 Icons	05/06/2013 12:30	File folder
	🌗 Images	11/06/2013 12:41	File folder
4 🥽 Libraries	퉬 SlideShow	11/06/2013 12:41	File folder
Documents	00.LNG	11/06/2013 12:40	LNG File
🖻 🎝 Music	🔀 Backup.exe	10/06/2013 15:07	Application
Pictures	🔀 Batch.exe	10/06/2013 15:07	Application
Videos	🚳 Bsrgui.dll	10/06/2013 15:07	Application exten
	🚳 Bsrlib.dll	10/06/2013 15:07	Application exten
🖻 🖳 Computer	Bsrmch.dll	10/06/2013 15:07	Application exten
	Check.exe	10/06/2013 15:08	Application
🖻 📬 Network	CI2lib.dll	10/06/2013 15:05	Application exten
	🔀 Filing.exe	10/06/2013 15:07	Application
	Magi-Cut Express.bmc	08/05/2013 12:20	BMC File 👻
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30 items			

Double click on the program 'Check.exe' to run the system check.

Alternatively select the 'System Check' option from the Program group on the Windows 'Start' button.



<u>Help</u>

If there are problems running the program the help can still be accessed. To do this:-

Move to the directory where the program is installed Double click on the program 'Check.exe' to run it Click on the **Help** button (this is the full help for Express)

Language file problems

If a message appears:-

Error reading language file

This means a critical program file is missing or cannot be accessed. The language file is installed on setup so this means the setup failed or was cancelled. Re-try the setup.

Minimum hardware

The program does NOT run on any PC below the minimum specification. The minimum specification is:-

Processor speed 1.5 Ghz Memory 512 MB Hard disk 1GB free Display 1024 x 768 or higher resolution

The supported operating systems are:-

Windows XP Home Service Pack 3 Windows XP Professional Service Pack 3 Windows XP Professional X64 Edition Service Pack 2 Windows Vista Service Pack 2 (32bit and 64bit versions) Windows 7 (32bit and 64bit versions) Windows 8 (32bit and 64bit versions)

3. Parameters

For effective optimising the program should be set up to allow for the correct measurement mode, saw kerf, and trims etc. These parameter values can vary for different jobs and between companies.

Use the 'Parameters' options to set these values.

The parameters are set to reasonable default values when the program first runs but it is important to check all these values and adjust them where necessary to reflect your way of working.

There are only a few parameters to consider.

System parameters

These are basic settings for the program. At the main screen:-

Select: Parameters - System parameters

X System parameters	
General	
	Measurement mode
Measurement mode	
Metric (0.0 - 9999.9 mm)	•
Decimal inches (0.000 - 999.999)	\odot
Fractional inches (0 - 999-63/64)	
Express Demo Data	16-3/4
	OK Print Help Cancel

• Select the measurement mode to work in.

For Express this is typically Millimetres.

• Enter a name for the Company

This name is shown on the screen and in the header/banner of most printed reports.

Note - These parameters are usually only set once and rarely need to be considered again.

Optimising parameters

Optimising parameters are important as they set the saw kerf, trims and type of cutting allowed. To adjust the default values for the optimising parameters, at the main screen:-

· Select: Parameters - Optimising parameters

X Optimising p	arameters - Default Optimi:	sing Parameters			×
Set the parame	eters for trims	Range 0 - 999 Millimetres		Saw kerf	
Cutting		_			
Minimum rip t Front	rim with kerf	Rear	10.0	- M3	
- Minimum cros	sscut trim with kerf				
Front	10.0 🗸	Rear	10.0	- Zw	
Retrim after he	ad cut with kerf		0.0	▼	
1			ок	Print Help	Cancel

Work through the values on the first page and set the required values for the saw kerf, front and rear trim, and retrim value.

The picture at the right gives an overview of what the parameter does (select Help for further details).

The second tab shows the 'Rules'. These can be used to set the cutting style.

X Optimising p	parameters - Defa	ult Optimising Parameters		×
Set the rules fo	or cutting			
Recut				Recut: Multiple - no restrictions
None	\odot	Multiple - equal	0	
Single	\odot	Multiple - unequal	0	
		Multiple - no restrictions	۲	
- Head cuts -				
Quantity			1 •	
Board orienta Prefer re-usab	tion ole waste	Lengthway	s •	
		ОК)	Print Help Cancel

For example, recuts can limited to 'single recuts only' and the number of head cuts allowed can be restricted to '1'.

These default values apply to all optimisations BUT there is also an option to adjust the values for each cutting list (at the cutting list screen). This is may be necessary, for example, to change the trims for one type of material, or to set 'no head cuts' for an optimisation. To do this:-

- Move to the required cutting list

Cutting list - Basic cutting list Image: Cutting list File Edit View Optimise Help									
T	itle Example of basic cutting list	Parameters							
	Parts								
	Description	Material	Length	Width	Quantity	Over	Under	Grain	
Global		BEECHWOOD-18MM				%	%		
1.	PRT-001-A	BEECHWOOD-18MM	1200.0	725.0	8	0	0	Ν	
2.	PRT-002-B	BEECHWOOD-18MM	1250.0	600.0	2	0	0	Ν	
3.	PRT-003-C	BEECHWOOD-18MM	790.0	450.0	3	0	0	N	
4.	PRT-004-D	BEECHWOOD-18MM	580.0	200.0	8	0	0	N	
5.		BEECHWOOD-18MM							Ξ
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	n .								

- Click on the parameters button

The program displays the Optimising parameter screen (for the cutting list)

Optimising p	arameters - Basic cutting li	st			
Set the parame	ters for trims	Range 0 - 999 Millimetres	i	S	Gaw kerf
Cutting					
Minimum rip tr	4.8 rim with kerf 10.0	Rear	10.0	-	M3
Minimum cros	sscut trim with kerf				S P
Front	10.0 👻	Rear	10.0	•	2mst
Retrim after hea	ad cut with kerf		0.0	Ţ	
			ОК	(Print Help Cancel

- Adjust the required values

Any changes (at the cutting list) only apply to the cutting list chosen

4. More about Cutting lists

There are several options for searching, sorting and for changing the view of the cutting list.

🗶 Cutt	🔀 Cutting list - Example 1									
File E	File Edit View Optimise Help									
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T	itle Example 1	Parameters								_
	Parts									Â
	Description	Material		Length	Width	Quantity	Over	Under	Grain	=
Global							20 %	0%		-
1.	UNIT-BASE	MEL-CHIP-18		585.0	470.0	8	1	0	N	
2.	UNIT-DRAWER	TEAK-LAM-18		770.0	585.0	12	2	0	Y]
3.	UNIT-END	TEAK-LAM-18		770.0	400.0	8	1	0	Y	1
4.	UNIT-PLINTH	MEL-CHIP-18		623.0	230.0	8	1	0	Y	1
5.	UNIT-SHELF	MEL-CHIP-18		470.0	390.0	12	2	0	N	1
6.	UNIT-DOOR	TEAK-LAM-18		620.0	390.0	9	1	0	Y	1
7.	CABINET-PLINTH	TEAK-LAM-18		770.0	360.0	12	2	0	Y	
	DANEL FOR	TEARLAND	i	4400.0	740.0		- 1	0	0	1
	Boards									Â
	Board	Material	Length	Width	Thickness	Information	n Qua	ntity	Cost	-
Global										=
1.	BRD/ML/01	MEL-CHIP-18	2440.0	1220.0	18.0			320	1.340	
2.	BRD/TL/02	TEAK-LAM-18	2440.0	1220.0	18.0			250	1.560	
3.	BRD/ML/01	MEL-CHIP-18	3050.0	1220.0	18.0			120	1.210	Ŧ
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These options can be useful when dealing with larger lists or where not all the fields (columns) are required.

<u>Find</u>

To locate an item in the list (for example, a part description or material code).

- Click on a cell in a column
- Select: Edit Find (Ctrl F)

The program displays the Find dialog.

TING		— ×
Find what: UNIT-BASE		Find Next
	Direction	Cancel
Match <u>c</u> ase	© <u>U</u> p ⊚ <u>D</u> own	

- Enter text to search for
- Select the [Find Next] button

The program moves to any found items.

The search is only for the current column and only applies to the list the cursor is located in; Parts and Boards are searched separately.

<u>Sort</u>

The list can be sorted by material, or by length, or by a combination of these. At the Cutting list screen:-

- · Move to the 'Parts' section
- Select: Edit Sort

The program displays a dialog to select the part fields to sort by.

Sort - Select cuttin	ig list fields	—
Description Material Length Width Quantity Overs Unders Grain	-	
ОК	Help	Cancel

• Check a box to select a field

The sort can be based on more than one field.

Select OK to confirm

Note - A sort can also be applied to the Boards section (move to the Boards section and select: Edit - Sort).

Save and Copy lists

In some cases it is useful to save an existing list and use this as the basis for a new list. For example, where many of the part details are the same but the quantities are different. There are two ways of doing this.

Save As

• Select: File - Save As

The program prompts for the name of the new list.

Take care when using this method because if the existing list is already optimised opening a list gives the warning message:-

Patterns exist - changing list deletes patterns

It is Ok to open the list but make sure no changes are made.

Merge lists

- · Create a NEW cutting list:-
- · Move to the first line
- Select: Edit Merge

The program prompts for the name of the cutting list to merge in.

Merge Cutting lists								
		File	Quantity 🔺					
	1	Basic cutting list	Basic cutting list Example of basic cutting list					
	2							
	3							
	4							
	5							
	6							
	- 7							
	•		1	4				
		OK List	Delete Print Help	Cancel				

- Enter the list name (or use the List button to select available lists)
- Enter the quantity of the list to merge in.

The merge applies to the Parts section and Boards section separately. Move to the Boards section to merge in Boards (*Edit - Merge*).

Note - Merge can also be used to add one list to another.

View menu

Use the View menu to alter the style and appearance of the cutting list

For example, to hide columns:-

• Select: View - Columns

View c	olumns			×
	0 ver Under			
	/ Grain			
	ОК	Help	Cancel	

• Un-check a column to hide it.

In the example below 'Overs' and 'Unders' columns are hidden.

X Cutt	ting list - Example 1 dit View Optimise Help									×		
*												
Title Example 1 Parameters												
	Parts											
	Description Material Length Width Quantity Grain											
Global												
1.	UNIT-BASE	MEL-CH	IP-18			585.0	470.0	8	8 N			
2.	UNIT-DRAWER	TEAK-LA	AM-18			770.0	585.0	12	2 Y			
3.	UNIT-END	TEAK-LA	AM-18			770.0	400.0	8	8 Y			
4.	UNIT-PLINTH	MEL-CH	IP-18			623.0	230.0	8	8 Y			
5.	UNIT-SHELF	MEL-CH	IP-18			470.0	390.0	12	2 N			
6.	UNIT-DOOR	TEAK-LA	AM-18			620.0	390.0	9	I Y			
7.	CABINET-PLINTH	TEAK-LA	AM-18			770.0	360.0	12	? Y			
		TEARL				4400.0	740.0		do	1		
	Boards									Â		
	Board	Mat	erial	Length	Width	Thickness	Information	Quantity	Cost	_		
Global										=		
1.	BRD/ML/01	MEL-CHIP-18	CHIP-18		1220.0	18.0		320	1.340			
2.	BRD/TL/02	TEAK-LAM-18		2440.0	1220.0	18.0		250	1.560			
3.	BRD/ML/01	MEL-CHIP-18		3050.0	1220.0	18.0		120	1.210	-		
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Edit Parts and Boards

The Cutting list operates like a spread sheet. Use the standard 'Windows' options to cut and paste data. These options are on the Edit menu.

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Edit - Cut (Ctrl X)
Edit - Copy (Ctrl C)
Edit - Paste (Ctrl V)
Edit - Undo (Ctrl Z)
Edit - Clear (Del)
Edit - Insert line (F6)
Edit - Delete line (F7)
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Cells, rows or blocks of data can be copied. When copying more than one cell make sure that the selected block and the area to copy to match exactly in terms on the number of columns and rows.

It is also possible to copy data from an external spread sheet.

In this case the columns in the spread sheet must match the columns as set in the Cutting list. For example:-

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1 PRT/1	CHIP-15	780	520	32	Ν				٦
2 PRT/2	CHIP-15	495	220	28	N				
3 BACK-33	CHIP-15	810	420	30	N				
4 BACK/C1	CHIP-15	1020	321	50	N				
5 TOP-22	TEAK-15	620	475	22	Υ				
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The data can be pasted into a new or an existing cutting list.

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Title Parameters												
Parts												
	Description	Materia	al 🛛		Length	Width	Quantity	Grain				
Global												
1.	PRT/1	CHIP-15			780.0	520.0	32	N	_			
2.	PRT/2	CHIP-15			495.0	220.0	28	N	_			
3.	BACK-33	CHIP-15			810.0	420.0	30	N	_			
4.	BACK/C1	CHIP-15			1020.0	321.0	50	N	E			
5.	TOP-22	TEAK-15			620.0	475.0	22	Y				
6.	DOOR-LEFT/1	TEAK-15			920.0	580.0	31	Y				
7.												
									*			
	Boards								Â			
	Board	Material	Length	Width	Thickness	Information	Quantity	Cost	Grain			
Global									 _			

Note - if copying *from* Express to a spread sheet any hidden columns are automatically included in the copy - allow for this in the spread sheet format.

Global line

The Global line is the line at the top of the list of Parts and list of Boards.

X Cutt File E	Cutting list - Basic cutting list										
	Description Material Length Width Quantity Grain										
Global		BEECHWOOD-18MM					y				
1.	PRT-001-A	BEECHWOOD-18MM			1200.0	725.0	8	N			
2.	PRT-002-B	BEECHWOOD-18MM			1250.0	600.0	2	N	- 1		
3.	PRT-003-C	BEECHWOOD-18MM			790.0	450.0	3	N			
4.	PRT-004-D	BEECHWOOD-18MM			580.0	200.0	8	N			
5.		BEECHWOOD-18MM									
	Boards								<u> </u>		
	Board	Material	Length	Width	Thickness	Information	Quantity	Cost	Grain		
Global									-		

If there is an entry in this line the entry applies to every item in the list. This saves typing effort where the value is the same for every part, for example, if all parts are the same material. The lines below the global line are greyed out and cannot be changed.

To remove a global entry; delete the entry at the global line and move off the cell.

Print - Cutting list

To print the current list:-

• Select: File - Print (Ctrl P)



The program prompts to choose the data to print.

Print preview		—
📝 Parts		
📝 Boards		
🔲 Print grid lines		
ОК	Help	Cancel

- Check the options to print parts, boards or both.

The following example shows a print including Parts and Boards.

Express Demo Data	Ма	xpress		Tuesday 11 June 2013 14:42				
Cutting list Ref: Basic cutting list					Ex	ample of basic	cutting list	
No Description	Material BEECHWOOD-	-18MM		Length	Width	Quantity	Grain	
1. PRT-001-A 2. PRT-002-B 3. PRT-003-C 4. PRT-004-D				1200.0 1250.0 790.0 580.0	725.0 600.0 450.0 200.0	8 2 3 8	N N N	
Board list								
No Board	Material	Length	Width	Thickness Information	Quantit	y Cost	Grain	
1. BEECHWOOD-18MM/01	BEECHWOOD-18MM	2550.0	1525.0	18.0	10	4 2.340		

The other Print options are:-

- File Print preview (view the printout on-screen before printing)
- File Print setup (change paper size, orientation, etc.)

Using Board list with Merge

Where there is a fairly standard and limited set of board sizes it can be useful to set up a full list of boards in a cutting list and use Merge (at the Board list) to copy the list of boards into other cutting lists as required.

To do this:-

- · Select any cutting list
- Select: Save As
- Enter a name for the new list

(for example, 'Standard')

- Enter the standard board sizes

At any cutting list (boards section) where some or all of the standard boards are required select 'Merge' to merge in the 'Standard' list. Adjust the quantities or boards available as required.

It does not matter if the standard list contains boards with materials that are not in the parts section - these boards are ignored.

5. More about Review runs

The 'Review runs' options are used for looking at the cutting patterns (optimising results). They show a set of summaries, the full set of patterns, and cutting instructions.

To look at any optimised run, at the main screen:-

· Open the 'Optimisations' branch of the tree



• Double click on a run to view it.

The first report shown is the Management Summary

🔀 Review run	15								• •			
File Edit V	/iew Settings Sum	maries Help										
Summaries	Management summary Example 1											
Management								E	xample 1			
summary	Description	Quantity	m2	m3	Percent	Rate	Cost	Statistic	Value			
I	Required parts	177	54.59	0.98	87.33%			Number of patterns	13			
	Plus/Over parts	5	1.00	0.02	1.60%			Headcut patterns	4			
Part summary								Rotated patterns	0			
	Scrap		6.92	0.13	11.07%			Recut patterns	6			
								Number of cycles	20			
+ ₩	Boards	20	62.51	1.13	100.00%							
summary												
_								Waste (%Parts)	12.45%			
								Yield (%Boards)	88.93%			
Pattern	Boards used		62.51	1.13	100.00%		91.66					
summary	Total parts	182	55.59	1.00	88.93%	1.649	91.66					

Use the navigation options and/or the stacked toolbar at the left to see the other reports and patterns.

Customising reports

Each report can be customised. The items that can be changed are:-

- Report content
 Report format (font style and size)
 Report layout (column widths, grid lines etc.)

To customise the 'On-screen' report:-

• Move to a report (e.g. Part summary)

X Review run File Edit V	Review runs File Edit View Summaries Help												
Summaries Part summary Example of over production													
Management											Over p	roductio	on
summary	No	Part /	Len	Width	Total	Over	Total	m2 /	Total	Material	Material	Grain	*
		Description	mm	mm	Req	Under	Prod	Part	m2	/Part	Total		٦
Part summary	MFC'	18-TEAK Thickness 1	8.0 Boo	<u>ok 1</u>									
	1.	BTH-CAB-BACK	664.0	564.0	18	+1	19	0.375	7.12	1.29	24.54	N	
	2.	BTH-CAB-BOTTOM	664.0	144.0	19	+1	20	0.096	1.91	0.33	6.59	N	
1 🎬 🛛	3.	BTH-CAB-DOOR-L	349.5	450.0	12	+1	13	0.157	2.04	0.54	7.05	N	=
Board	4.	BTH-CAB-DOOR	349.5	450.0	20		20	0.157	3.15	0.54	10.85	N	
summary	5.	BTH-CAB-END-LEFT	162.0	600.0	17		17	0.097	1.65	0.34	5.70	N	
	6.	BIH-CAB-END-RI	162.0	600.0	9		9	0.097	0.87	0.34	3.02	N	
	1.	BIH-CAB-SHELF	664.0	144.0	16		16	0.096	1.53	0.33	5.28	N	
	8.	BIH-CAB-SHLF-B	664.0	162.0	20		20	0.108	2.15	0.37	7.42	N	
Pattern	9.	BIH-CAB-TOP	664.0	162.0	16		16	0.108	1.72	0.37	5.94	N	
summary	11.	DDC-BACK	928.0	311.0	1/	. 0	1/	0.289	4.91	1.00	16.92	N	
	12.	DDC-SIDE-LEFT	564.0	311.0	20	+2	22	0.175	3.86	0.60	13.31	N	
	15.	DDC-SIDE-RIGHT	564.0	311.0	16	+1	1/	0.175	2.98	0.60	10.28	N	
Input summary	10.	DDC-RUNNERS	190.0	1092.0	20	+2	22	1 042	10.42	0.20	4.49	N	
	10.	DRESSER-DACK	304.0	1062.0	220		220	1.043	10.43	3.60	35.98	IN	
					230		230		43.03		137.38		
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The Report layout dialog is shown.

Part summary	×
Content Available Chos Length Inches No Length Frac Parl Width Inches Len Width Frac Wic	sen t / Description rgth mm th mm
ft2 / Part Total ft2 << Tot Mat Mat	al Req er Under E al Prod / Part al m2 terial cost /Part terial cost Total T
Format Line - type Summary title	Font: Arial, Size: 16
File names Column headings Subheadings Data Subtotals Totals	Use default 🔽
Program information Page numbers Preview	Background
Summary tit	tle
Column widths	
Use default 🔽 Format Auto-fit to	o display 👻
OK Help	Cancel

Content

These boxes show the available fields on the left and the fields already chosen for the report on the right.

• Select an item and use the arrow buttons to move the item to and from the report.

In the following example some fields are removed from the report.

Part summary	
Content Available Length Inches Length Frac Width Inches Width Inches Width Frac Over Under Total Prod m2 / Part ft2 / Part Total ft2 Material cost /Part Grain	sen t / Description ngth mm dth mm al Req al m2 terial cost Total
Format Line - type Summary title File names Column headings Subheadings Data Subtotals Totals Program information Page numbers Preview	Font: Arial, Size: 16 Use default 🔽 Font Background
Summary tit	tle
Column widths Use default 🔽 Format Auto-fit to	o display
OK Help	Cancel

The report now looks like this:-

X Review run	15 View Settir	ng Summaries Help						
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Summaries	Part s	ummary			Exam	ple of o	ver productio	n
Management							Over productio	n
summary	No	Part /	Length	Width	Total	Total	Material cost	•
		Description	mm	mm	Req	m2	Total	
Part summary	MFC18-T	EAK Thickness 18.0 Book 1						
	1.	BIH-CAB-BACK	664.0	564.0	18	7.12	24.54	
	2.	BTH-CAB-BOTTOM	664.0	144.0	19	1.91	6.59	
	3.	BIH-CAB-DOOR-LEFT	349.5	450.0	12	2.04	7.05	=
Board	4.	BTH-CAB-DOOR-RIGHT	349.5	450.0	20	3.15	10.85	
summary	5.	BIH-CAB-END-LEFT	162.0	600.0	1/	1.65	5.70	
	6.	BTH-CAB-END-RIGHT	162.0	600.0	9	0.87	3.02	
.	1.	BTH-CAB-SHELF	664.0	144.0	16	1.53	5.28	
) <u>ŏ</u> .	BTH-CAB-SHLF-BASE	664.0	162.0	20	2.15	1.42	-
Pattern	9.	BIH-CAB-TOP	664.0	162.0	16	1.72	5.94	
summary	11.	DDC-BACK	928.0	311.0	17	4.91	16.92	
	1Z.	DDC-SIDE-LEFT	564.0	311.0	20	3.00	13.31	
	15.	DDC-SIDE-RIGHT	564.0	311.0	16	2.90	10.28	
Input summary	10.	DDC-RUNNERS	790.0	1002.0	20	1.30	4.49	
	10.	DRESSER-BACK	964.0	1082.0	10	10.43	35.98	
					230	45.63	157.38	
								Ŧ.,

Line type

This box shows the different sorts of information on the report, for example, Report header, column headings, data. The style of each of these can be changed.

- Click on Line type
 Click off the check box (Use default)
 Select the Font and Background buttons to change the font and background

In the example below the 'Summary title' font and background are changed.

Part summary	
Content Available Length Inches Length Frac Width Inches Width Frac Over Under Total Prod m2 / Part ft2 / Part Total ft2 Material cost /Part	Chosen No Part / Description Length mm Width mm Total Req Total m2 Material cost Total
Format Line - type Summary title File names Column headings Subheadings Data Subtotals Totals Program information Page numbers	Font: Magneto, Size: 14 Use default Font Background
	ummary title
Column widths Use default 🛛 📝 Format	Auto-fit to display
ОК	Help Cancel

The report is now as follows:-

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File Edit V	iew Settir	ngs Summaries Help						
	Q	📲 🧱 🥩 👘						
Summaries								
	Part d	lummary.		Ľ	xample	e of our	er production	2
Management							Over production	n
summary	No	Part /	Length	Width	Total	Total	Material cost	
		Description	mm	mm	Reg	m2	Total	1
-		•						
Part summary	MFC18-T	EAK Thickness 18.0 Book 1						
T dit Summary	1.	BTH-CAB-BACK	664.0	564.0	18	7.12	24.54	
	2.	BTH-CAB-BOTTOM	664.0	144.0	19	1.91	6.59	
	3.	BTH-CAB-DOOR-LEFT	349.5	450.0	12	2.04	7.05 ≡	
*	4.	BTH-CAB-DOOR-RIGHT	349.5	450.0	20	3.15	10.85	
Board	5.	BTH-CAB-END-LEFT	162.0	600.0	17	1.65	5.70	
summary	6.	BTH-CAB-END-RIGHT	162.0	600.0	9	0.87	3.02	
	7.	BTH-CAB-SHELF	664.0	144.0	16	1.53	5.28	
	8.	BTH-CAB-SHLF-BASE	664.0	162.0	20	2.15	7.42	
Pattern	9.	BTH-CAB-TOP	664.0	162.0	16	1.72	5.94	
summary	11.	DDC-BACK	928.0	311.0	17	4.91	16.92	
	12.	DDC-SIDE-LEFT	564.0	311.0	20	3.86	13.31	
	15.	DDC-SIDE-RIGHT	564.0	311.0	16	2.98	10.28	
land automatic	16.	DDC-RUNNERS	790.0	75.0	20	1.30	4.49	
input summary	18.	DRESSER-BACK	964.0	1082.0	10	10.43	35.98	
				_	230	45.63	157.38	
							-	
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Column widths

To change the column widths:-

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- Click off the 'Use default' box
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- Select the type of column width
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User defined Auto fit to contents Auto fit to display

In this example the column width is set to 'User defined'.

Whilst the grid widths can be changed at this dialog it is often easier to do this at the Report screen via the options on the 'View' menu.

Using the View menu to customise reports

There are several options at the 'View' menu to help customise the report. For example:-

To manually change the column widths.

• Turn on the Grid labels (these act as grab handles for the columns).



• Move the mouse over the junction of a grid label to alter the column width

· Hold down the mouse button to drag the column to change the width

In the following example the column widths have been altered.

Review run	ns /iew	/ Settings	Summaries Heln						
Summaries	Part summary Example of over production								
Management									Over production
summary	h								A
		No	Part /	Length	Width	Total	Total	Material	
			Description	mm	mm	Req	m2	Total	
Part summary		MFC18-T	EAK Thickness 18.0 B	Book 1					
		1.	BTH-CAB-BACK	664.0	564.0	18	7.12	24.54	
1		2.	BTH-CAB-BOTTOM	664.0	144.0	19	1.91	6.59	E
₩₩		3.	BTH-CAB-DOOR-L	349.5	450.0	12	2.04	7.05	
Board		4.	BTH-CAB-DOOR-R	349.5	450.0	20	3.15	10.85	
summary		5.	BTH-CAB-END-LEFT	162.0	600.0	17	1.65	5.70	
		6.	BTH-CAB-END-RIG	162.0	600.0	9	0.87	3.02	
	Ш	7.	BTH-CAB-SHELF	664.0	144.0	16	1.53	5.28	
Pattern		8.	BTH-CAB-SHLF-B	664.0	162.0	20	2.15	7.42	
summary		9.	BTH-CAB-TOP	664.0	162.0	16	1.72	5.94	
	Ш	11.	DDC-BACK	928.0	311.0	17	4.91	16.92	
	Ш	12.	DDC-SIDE-LEFT	564.0	311.0	20	3.86	13.31	
	Ш	15.	DDC-SIDE-RIGHT	564.0	311.0	16	2.98	10.28	
input summary	Ц	16.	DDC-RUNNERS	790.0	75.0	20	1.30	4.49	
	\square	18.	DRESSER-BACK	964.0	1082.0	10	10.43	35.98	
	Ц					230	45.63	157.38	-
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The view menu can also be used to add grid lines.

• Select: View - Grid lines

Review runs File Edit View Summaries Help								
	Q		\$	< ▶		?		
Summaries	Part summary Example of over production							
Management								Over production
summary	No	Part /	Length	Width	Total	Total	Material	*
		Description	mm	mm	Req	m2	Total	
Part summary	MFC18-T	EAK Thickness 18.0	Book 1					
, are commonly	1.	BTH-CAB-BACK	664.0	564.0	18	7.12	24.54	
	2.	BTH-CAB-BOTTOM	664.0	144.0	19	1.91	6.59	
- 1	3.	BTH-CAB-DOOR-L	349.5	450.0	12	2.04	7.05	E
, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	4.	BTH-CAB-DOOR-R	349.5	450.0	20	3.15	10.85	
Board	5.	BTH-CAB-END-LEFT	162.0	600.0	17	1.65	5.70	
Saminary	6.	BTH-CAB-END-RI	162.0	600.0	9	0.87	3.02	
	7.	BTH-CAB-SHELF	664.0	144.0	16	1.53	5.28	
	8.	BTH-CAB-SHLF-B	664.0	162.0	20	2.15	7.42	
Pattern	9.	BTH-CAB-TOP	664.0	162.0	16	1.72	5.94	
summary	11.	DDC-BACK	928.0	311.0	17	4.91	16.92	
	12.	DDC-SIDE-LEFT	564.0	311.0	20	3.86	13.31	
	15.	DDC-SIDE-RIGHT	564.0	311.0	16	2.98	10.28	
	16.	DDC-RUNNERS	790.0	75.0	20	1.30	4.49	
input summary	18.	DRESSER-BACK	964.0	1082.0	10	10.43	35.98	
					230	45.63	157.38	
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Default report settings

On the report settings dialog there is a box labelled 'Use default'. If this is checked the default settings for a report are used. These defaults apply to ALL the reports where this box is checked.

To change the default settings themselves, at any report:-

Select: Settings - Default settings

The default settings are shown.

Default settings		×
Format Line - type Summary title File names Column headings Subheadings Data Subtotals Totals Program information Page numbers Preview	Font: Arial, Size: 16 Font Background	
	Summary title	-
Column widths		
Format	Auto-fit to display 👻	
ОК	Help Cancel	

Note - The content of each report is also set as a default - this default is set by the program and cannot be changed.

Printing reports

To print a report (or pattern).

• Move to the report/pattern



Select the ToolBar option

This prints the current report.

To print all the reports and/or patterns.

• Select: File - Print summaries

The program prompts with a dialog to select the items to print.

Print Summaries	×
Available Management summary Pattern summary Part summary Board summary Input summary Material summary Preview Pattern drawing Pattern drawing Part sizes for pattern Cutting dimensions	Chosen Management summary Pattern summary Part summary Board summary Pattern drawing Part sizes for pattern Cutting dimensions Preview Material summary
Form feed after reports	
Print Preview	Help Cancel

• Use the arrow buttons to move the reports from 'Available' to 'Chosen'.

The program retains the choices for future sessions.

(The default reports to print are set at the 'Review runs Parameters' dialog).

There are options on the File menu to alter the Page Setup and Printer Setup.

- File Page setup
- File Default Page setup

The page setup can apply separately to each report.

- Move to the report
- Select: File Page setup

Page setup - Pattern sur	nmary			- ×-
Paper				
Size A4				~
From	atically Select			_
Orientation	Margins (Mi	llimetres)		
Portrait	Left	5	Right	5
Landscape	Тор	5	Bottom	5
Options	Header	/footer		
Black and white	Banner		All pag	jes 👻
Print to fit	Deere			
Print grid lines	Fage n	unders	Centre	
🔽 Use default				
	0	ĸ	Cancel	

These options control the paper size, orientation and basic report items such as the banner and page numbers.

- Check the 'Use default' settings to apply the default settings. The default settings apply to all reports where 'Use default' is checked.

The default settings can be changed via the option: **File - Default page setup**. Any changes to the default settings apply to all reports using the default settings.

File - Print setup - This is not often needed since the printer can be changed at the standard Print dialog which always pops up before printing reports and the page layout is best set at the 'Page setup' or 'Default page setup' dialogs.

Review runs parameters

The operation of Review runs can be customised via 'Review runs parameters'. At the Review runs screen:-

• Select: File - Parameters

Parameters			×		
- Pattern displau					
Font size	8	Default summaries (Printed)			
Part identification	Item or description 🔹	Show waste % or yield %	Waste 💌		
Part sizes		Round large values to fit			
Show part orientation		Colour coding			
Saw kerf to scale		Colour - part			
Bar codes		Colour - recut part			
Screen	Colour coding 🔹	Colour - plus part			
Printer	Monochrome	Colour - waste and kerf			
OK Help Cancel					

There are options to alter the pattern display and how patterns are shown (e.g. monochrome or colour).

The Reports can be set to show waste percent or yield and whether large values are rounded or not.

The Review runs parameters help describes each setting in detail.

The following example shows the pattern diagram using colour codes rather than monochrome.

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File Edit \	/iew Settings	Summaries Help						
		3 🛃 🛃 🚿			?			
Summaries	Pattern	1 of 17			E	xample of ove	r productio	on
Pattern							Over producti	on
	Board: MFC' Material: MF	18-TEAK/01 C18-TEAK	Yield:	91.90%		Size: 2440.0 >	(1220.0 x 18.0 Boards: 4	^
Material summary	3!	DRESSER-BACK	DRESSER-B	ACK				
Pattern preview	3!	964 X 1082	964 X 10	82				
Pattern	Saw kerf: 4.8 Rear rip trim	Book height 1 Cycles 4 with kerf - Rip: 10.0 Cross	: 10.0 Retrim wit	h kerf: 0.0				Ŧ
	Image: A test test test test test test test te	rn (Parts (Cutting dimens	ions /	•			Þ	н

6. File Management

The File management options are for organising and maintaining the files created by Express. At the main screen:-

Select: File - File Management

or

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Select the Toolbar option

The file management screen is displayed:-

X File management - Cutting File Edit View Help	g lists					×		
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C:\Magi-Cut Express\Data\	C:\Magi-Cut Express\Data\							
	File 🔺	Bun	Title	Size	Modified			
	Basic cutting list	Basic cutting list	Example of basic cutting list	1 KB	04/06/2013 16			
Optimisations	Example 1	Example 1	Example 1	2 KB	06/06/2013 16			
	Example 2	Example 2	Cutting for next week	2 KB	05/06/2013 09			
	Example 3	Example 3	Example settings	1 KB	06/06/2013 09			
	Example 4	Example 4		1 KB	11/06/2013 14	. =		
	Large cutting list	Large cutting list	Example of large cutting list	8 KB	04/06/2013 16			
	Multiple boards	Multiple boards	Example of multiple boards	2 KB	04/06/2013 16			
	Over production	Over production	Example of over production	2 KB	04/06/2013 16			
	Part graining	Part graining	Example of part graining	2 KB	04/06/2013 16	-		
	File: Basic cutting list					_		
	Title: Example of basic	c outting list						
		-						
	Description	Material	Length Width I	Qty Ov	er Un G	<u> </u>		
	1. PRT-001-A	BEECHWOOD-18	1200.0 725.0	8	0 0 N			
	2. PRT-002-B	BEECHWOOD-18	1250.0 600.0	2	0 0 N			

At the left the tree shows the different types of file used by Express.

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- Click on a category to see the files

The pane at the foot of the screen shows the contents of the currently selected file.

Copy files

· Select type of file in the left pane

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· Select on or more files
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Select: File - Copy

or

Select the Toolbar option

The program prompts to select a file name and/or directory to copy the files to.

Copy - Example 4		-X
Fil	ename <mark>Example 4</mark> Path C:\Magi-Cut Express\Data\	
	OK Help Cancel	

Use the list box to select a path

· Select OK to finish

Delete Files

To permanently remove files.

Select type of file in the left pane



The program prompts to confirm delete.

<u>Notes</u>

For optimisations (runs) the program deletes all the files associated with the run. A run consists of several different files as well as the main run file.

Example1.ctt - cutting list Example1.brd - board list Example1.ptn - patterns Example1.btc - internal file Example1.cut - cutting instructions

Print (File management)

To print the current list of files, at the File Management screen:-

• Select: File - Print (Ctrl P)

or Select the Toolbar symbol

The program prints the current list.

To set up the printer: Select: File - Print setup

The program displays a standard Windows dialog to change the printer settings.

To print with a preview: Select: File - Print Preview

7. Backup and Restore

Once the program is in regular use - make sure the System Administrator includes the Express directory in the regular system backups. This is the directory that was set up during the install process, for example:-

c:\Magi-Cut Express

The program and all the data are typically stored in this directory/folder with data and other information in sub-directories, for example:-

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	Share with T Burn New folder	• •	
	Name	Date modified	Type
A 🔀 Favorites		Date mounied	- Jpc
Desktop	🎍 Data	11/06/2013 14:57	File folder
📕 Downloads	🕌 Guides	11/06/2013 12:41	File folder
🕮 Recent Places	퉬 Icons	05/06/2013 12:30	File folder
	퉬 Images	11/06/2013 12:41	File folder
a 📜 Libraries	🎉 SlideShow	11/06/2013 12:41	File folder
Documents	00.LNG	11/06/2013 12:40	LNG File
🖻 🎝 Music	🔀 Backup.exe	10/06/2013 15:07	Application
Pictures	🔀 Batch.exe	10/06/2013 15:07	Application
Videos	🚳 Bsrgui.dll	10/06/2013 15:07	Application exten
	🚳 Bsrlib.dll	10/06/2013 15:07	Application exten
▷ 🖳 Computer	🚳 Bsrmch.dll	10/06/2013 15:07	Application exten
	🔀 Check.exe	10/06/2013 15:08	Application
🖻 👽 Network	🚳 CI2lib.dll	10/06/2013 15:05	Application exten
	🔀 Filing.exe	10/06/2013 15:07	Application
	Magi-Cut Express.bmc	08/05/2013 12:20	BMC File 👻
	٠ III		•
30 items			

Backup

The program includes a 'Back up' option. This takes a copy of the current data and stores it in a single compressed file.

'Back up' can be used to take a snapshot of the data for archiving or testing and as a regular back up - *but it should not replace a regular back up set by the System Administrator.*

At the main screen:-

• Select: File - Back up

or Select the Toolbar option The Backup dialog is displayed.

Back up		×		
Path for backup	n for backup C:\Users\user\Documents\			
Filename	2013-06-11 1544 Magi-Cut Express Backup			
Status				
	OK Help Cancel			

The 'Path for back up' defaults to '*My documents*'. Use the list box to select an alternative path.

The 'File name' box contains a default name based on the date and time. Click on the field to edit the name or enter a different name.

Select OK to confirm

The data is backed up to a single file (e.g. 2013-06-11 Magi-Cut Express Backup.bkp). This is a 'zipped' file containing all the files in a compressed form.

When back up is complete the program prompts with a message showing number of files and overall size.

• Select OK to finish

Note - The 'Back up' option is also available at the File management screen.

<u>Restore</u>

To restore backed up data. At the main screen:-

• Select: File - Restore

(If there are no back up files in the current back up directory the program warns with the message '*No entries found*' - select OK to continue).

The program prompts with a list of Back up files.

3	X Restore
	File
	Find Filter OK Browse Help Cancel

- Use the Browse button to choose from a different back up directory.
- Select OK to continue

Any existing data is replaced.

The program automatically takes a back up of the existing data before replacing it.

• Select Yes to continue

When the restore is complete a message 'Restore finished' is shown on the screen.

8. Access to Help

There are a range of Help options when using Express.

At each screen or dialog there is typically a help button and usually Help choices on the menu.

- ? Click the help symbol
- Choose an option from the Help menu

Cutting list - Basic cutting list								3			
*		Contents Cutting list Help	7 5	ø ?							
	Parts	Using help									^
	Description	About	Material			Length	Width	Quantitu	Grain	_	
Global	Description	BEECHWOO	D-18MM			Longui	WIGHT	audinuy	undin		
1	PBT-001-A	BEECHWOO	DD-18MM			1200.0	725.0	8	N	-	
2.	PRT-002-B	BEECHWOO	DD-18MM			1250.0	600.0	2	N		
3.	PRT-003-C	BEECHWOO	DD-18MM			790.0	450.0	3	N	-	=
4.	PRT-004-D	BEECHWOO	WOOD-18MM			580.0	200.0	8	N		
5.		BEECHWOO	DD-18MM								
											•
	Boards										
	Board	Material		Length	Width	Thickness	Information	Quantity	Cost	Grain	
Global											
1.	BEECHWOOD-18MM/01	BEECHWOOD-18	мм	2550.0	1525.0	18.0		104	2.340	N	
2.											
											-

Where the cursor is located at a field or check box press F1 to bring up help about that item.

Title Example 1

- press [F1] for help

On most dialogs a help button is provided.

Help

- click on button for more details



- Place the cursor over an object to view a tooltip

Help is shown in a Window that sits on top of the program window. The Left pane shows the Contents and the Right pane the current topic.



The Toolbar and Help menu at the top of the Help screen gives access to other options, for example, Print.



On most topics there is a 'See also' button - this shows other links relevant to the topic.

- Print any help topic by using the **Print** option from the menu at the top of the screen.

Errors

If a problem occurs this is typically reported as an Error message on-screen. For example:-

Optimise 💽					
	Message	Description	<u>^</u>		
	Data not correct - no boards [38001]	BEECHWOOD-18M			
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			Ŧ		
	Continue	Print Help			

When working with cutting lists, runs etc. problems are often caused by missing or wrong data. In these cases the start of the message indicates the type of problem and the rest of the message describes the missing data.

Help



All the error messages are included in the Help file and can also be accessed from the Help menu or by searching the help. Each error also has a fixed number to help identify it.

- To search for a phrase like: Data not correct - No boards enclose the phrase in quotes: "Data not correct - No boards"

- Some errors messages can have several different causes - check the topic carefully to identify the correct cause.

After the error message

Where the error is advisory the program may continue to complete the operation - in this case check the results carefully.

In most cases the error prevents the operation and the program moves back to the previous screen.

System Check

This option performs basic checks on the hardware, operating system and Express installation.

It is useful for investigation of problems with the software not running and problems with the Licence.

At the main screen:-

• Select: Tools - System Check

🗙 System Check						
File Check Help						
Exit Print Export	Help					
Version: V1.0.	0.0 (14 Jun 2013) Program Di	rectory: C:\Magi-Cut Expres				
Programs: ok	Language: 00-English (UK) o	k Help: ok				
Trial licence:	ok (80) Express TS Company Ltd 04/06/2013 - 03/07/2013 (0)					
System:	Windows: 7 x64 Professional Processor: Intel(R) Core(TM) (~2949MHz) CPU Be	Service Pack 1 (Build 7601) i5-2400 CPU @ 3.10GHz (309 nchmark: 0.031s				
Memory (Mb):	Physical Total: 3921 ok Virtual Total: 8017	Free: 1733 ok Free: 5829 ok				
Disk (Mb):	C:400611(465437) ok N:310368(715402) ok	K:310368(715402) ok Q: 1481 (9999) ok				

Some of the individual checks are available on the Check menu.

The Initial screen shows the following information.

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Version number and directory checked
Program and language status
Licence details
System details
Memory details
Disk drives
```

If an item shows Ok the item is Ok for running the program

If there is an X check the item as it may be a problem

To print a system check report:-

• Select: File - Print

or

Print - Select the print button

<u>Notes</u>

The System check option can also be run as a stand-alone Program. It is in the program directory (where the program was installed) and is named 'Check.exe' - this can be useful where Express is not running. The 'Check' program does not require a licence.