

WinBidPro v15 Key Improvements

Version 15 Features	Version 14 Features
CAD program included to allow full edit and print of drawings from jobs, and details from manufacturers	Shopdrawing tool that lets you view and print CAD elevation drawings and details.
Unlimited number of vendor catalogs which can be stored on local or network drives. Multiple users can access the same vendor at a time.	Ten vendor catalogs can be installed and must be located in the program folder. Single user only.
Unlimited number of glass parts in the master glass table. A minimum square footage can be set for the final glass report.	Ninety nine glass parts can be saved in the glass table.
An unlimited variety of discount multipliers can be applied to parts for a given vendor using a powerful batch update feature.	Up to five multipliers can be applied to parts for a given vendor.
Up to ten color prices can be listed for a given vendor.	Up to five color prices can be listed for a given vendor.
Jobs can be copied within a vendor, and between vendors.	Jobs can be copied within a vendor, and between vendors.
Elevations are given whatever name you like – up to 250 characters.	Elevations are automatically named alphabetically.
Elevations in a job can be re-ordered by manually changing a sort number.	Elevations automatically renamed when an elevation is deleted.
Elevations can be copied within a job.	
Dimensions for elevation sizes and components can be entered using either decimal or fractional values.	Dimensions for elevation sizes and components are entered using fractional values.
Elevation layout, all components, and glass can be added and edited without ever leaving the drawing.	Elevation layout, components, and glass are all separate windows only accessible in this sequence. To go back to a previous window, you have to go through the whole sequence.
The entire drawing is always in view no matter what component you are working on.	
You can easily skip from one elevation to another in a job without having to leave the drawing window.	Several steps are required to access different elevations in a given job.
The elevation drawings are truly WYSIWYG, where cut pieces are literally based on the drawing	Elevation drawings are simple vector line drawings until they are converted to a CAD type

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that you see on the screen.	drawing for printing.
Glass can be added, deleted, and viewed by lite, row, and an entire elevation.	Glass can be added and viewed by lite and by row.
At any given time while working on an elevation drawing, you can edit the parts for that elevation. These changes only apply to the current elevation. The default list of framing systems can also be viewed and edited at any time without leaving your drawing.	Changing parts for a specific elevation requires creating or selecting a different framing system. This entails exiting the drawing window, modifying a frame, then assigning that frame to the elevation of your choice. The alternative is stopping to edit parts when the job is processed. This requires either selected the elevations to stop and edit parts for, or stopping at every elevation parts window.
Door leaf and door parts can be modified at any time for a given elevation. The default lists can also be viewed and edited without leaving your elevation drawing.	Door leaf and frame parts numbers can be viewed and edited in the default framing system list by leaving your drawing window.
Door leaves are proportionally drawn with true rail and stile sizes. Door glass can be accurately sized, as well as glass stops.	Doors are drawn with a generic swing indicator. Glass size is calculated by block size.
Part and frame system information is saved and isolated for each job. Pricing, stock length, and frame settings can be changed in the default lists without affecting jobs created in the past. These changes can also be made at the job level without affecting the default lists.	If an old job is reprocessed and the framing system it used, or the pricing changed in the parts table, the old job will pick up these changes.
The Optimizer window lets you edit and add cut parts for your job before you calculate your stock length requirement.	No control is given between what parts are figured from the drawing and what the optimizer calculates.
Stock lengths can be manually added to the Optimizer to figure into the optimization of stock lengths. The length of stock pieces can also be altered in the Optimizer.	Only stock lengths assigned to parts in the Parts Table are used when a job is processed.
Changes to pieces and stock lengths in the Optimizer can be saved so they won't overwritten when a job is re-optimized.	Selected elevation parts can be edited when you reprocess, without affecting other elevations. This is only possible when using the "Process w/Last Parts – Select Edit" feature when processing a job.
A vendor catalog can have an unlimited number of framing systems.	A vendor can have 200 framing systems.
An unlimited number of door frames, door leaves, and saved combinations of door frames and leaves,	Entrances, door frames, and door leaves are part of a framing system. A new framing system is

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called Entrances, can be saved in a vendor catalog.	needed when you want a different entrance saved.
Each door frame and door leaf contains its own hardware parts.	Door hardware must be entered in the framing system that contains the associated door.
Number of jobs are limited by the size of the database. MS Access – 2GB, SQL Express – 4GB	Program can become unstable with more than 150 jobs.
Limitations within a job – Unlimited elevations, 100 panels, 49 horizontals, up to 999 repeat quantity per elevation.	Limitations within a job – 30 elevations, 30 panels or 100 feet wide, 12 horizontals or 32 feet high, up to 99 repeat quantity per elevation.
Elevation drawings are fully dimensioned from the start. Pan, zoom, quick zoom, and distance features are available with any drawing.	Dimensions can only be seen when printing elevations, or via the Shopdrawing tool.
DWG and/or DXF files are saved from the native CAD elevation drawings when either the CAD or Shop Drawings link is clicked.	DXF and/or DC2 files can be saved when a job is processed.
Four different horizontal types can be used in an elevation.	Two different horizontal types can be used in an elevation.
Alternate verticals can be any width.	Alternate verticals can only have one width in a given elevation.
Multiple Splits can be added anywhere in an elevation.	A single split can be added above a horizontal or door head.
A Window (Transom) can be added to any number of panels, anywhere in an elevation.	A Transom can span two or three panels.
Multiple vertical Splices can be defined in tall elevations, and splice hardware can be specified.	Vertical splices occur at a given stock length, and no hardware can be specified.
Simple Arch Top elevations can be drawn. More complicated arch features will be available in future updates.	
Rake tops can be drawn in both directions and in specific panels in a given elevation.	Rakes can be drawn in one direction with all panels in a given elevation.
Glass Stops can be applied to any lite of glass in an elevation.	
Cut lists can be created manually via the Optimizer by creating a job with a dummy elevation. Multiple jobs of this type can be created.	The Cut List Shortcut utility will let you manually create one cut list at a time.
Most reports can be exported to PDF and XLS format files.	Final Parts and Final Glass reports can be exported to XLS files.

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Final Glass and Final Part reports can be exported to GTS GlasPac LX software for job costing and project management.	
Labels can be printed for glass and cut stock parts.	Labels can be printed for glass and cut stock parts.
A Print Reports window allows you to print multiple reports consecutively either in preview, or directly to print.	
Lists of the various vendor information can be printed from one Print Lists window.	
Labor is configured by cut, joint, and system type. Perimeter caulking and pressure plate labor can be calculated by the foot.	Labor is figured by panel and by horizontal for a given system type.
Four different hourly rates can be set for labor.	Two different labor rates can be configured.
Full control over markup and tax rates is given via the System Defaults window. Metal and glass surcharge rates can also be set.	Tax rates can be configured in the System defaults window.