Number:23Objective:How to Use Quote GroupsCommands used:Quote GroupsPurpose:The Quote Groups command

The Quote Groups command allows you to create a template with material items grouped together, with a different name from our standard category label, eg - Ridge may be referred to as Capping. All items in a Quote Group also have their individual costs aggregated into a single cost for that group, eg - Total Flashings: all ridge, hip, valley, downpipes etc.

To make use of the Quote Groups function we must first setup up a template with the appropriate Key Text Strings on it. Firstly save your existing work, if you have a job already open. To open up the template simply go to **Utilities | Edit-Templates** and select the template that you would like to put Quote Groups on.

When the template is open, go to Utilities | Ins-Text. Type in ###QGROUP1 and click OK. Crosshairs will appear and you will be asked to locate where you want to place the text. Place the text in the appropriate place by left clicking and then right click to cancel out of the command.

Now depending on how many Quote Groups you want to use will determine how many Quote Group Key Text Strings you insert on the template.

For Example if you have **###QGROUP1 ###QGROUP2**

You will have the ability to setup **2** Quote Groups. The more Key Text Strings that you put in, the more Quote Groups you can use. Once you have inserted the required number of Quote Group Key Text Strings, Save the template.

NOTE: For more information on Modifying templates, read the Setup Guide.

Now that our template is setup, we can configure how are Quote Groups are setup. Go to **Costing | Quote-Groups**, this will bring up the following dialog box.

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Items drawn from Applicad's Customer Service file

Setup quote grou	ups (rec 1 of 2)		X
Group name	[]	Write the name on the repo	t too ? No
Key text string	###QGROUP1	Show the tax amount on the	e report ? No
		Will the displayed value incl	ude tax ? No
		Will the default value includ	e the markup % ? <u>No</u>
Straight		Sarking	
Curved		D Pipe	
Ridge		Roof tiles	
Fascia		Hip tiles	
Gutter		Ridge tile	
Barge		Valley tile	
Valley		Eave tile	
Apron		Roof Shingles	
Step		Hip Shingles	
Box gutter		Ridge Shingles	
Batten		Roof Shakes	
Counter		Hip Shakes 📃 🗍	
Insulation		Ridge Shakes	
		Membrane	
	Select	Delete	Add
	Cancel	Update	Ok

From here we can name the Group, e.g **Roof**. We can then proceed to select the appropriate components that we want to assign to the **ROOF** Group, by selecting the button next to the component. If required, we can then rename that component as described previously. This name will then appear on the quote. If you don't name the components a description won't be given, just a final cost. Following is an example.

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Items drawn from Applicad's Customer Service file

Setup quote grou	ups (rec	3 of 3)		× ≪<>>>>
Group name	Plumbing		Write the name on the report too ?	Yes
Key text string	###QGROUP3		Show the tax amount on the report ?	Yes
			Will the displayed value include tax ?	Yes
			Will the default value include the markup	p%? <u>Yes</u>
Straight			Sarking	
Curved			D Pipe	
Ridge			Roof tiles	
* Fascia	Yes	Fascia	Hip tiles	
* Gutter	Yes	Gutter	Ridge tile	
* Barge	Yes	Barge Capping	Valley tile	
* Valley	Yes	Valley Irons	Eave tile	
Apron			Roof Shingles	
Step			Hip Shingles	
Box gutter			Ridge Shingles	
Batten			Roof Shakes	
Counter			Hip Shakes	
Insulation			Ridge Shakes	
			Membrane	
	Select		Delete	
	Cancel]	Update Ok	1

When you are happy with the configuration simply click **Add** to add the Group. When all groups are defined simply click **OK**. With this done, we can now go to **Costing | Supply & Install**.

NOTE: Make sure that you have a job on your screen for this next part to work correctly.

From the Supply & Install dialog you will notice a button in the bottom left of the dialog called **Quote Groups**. Clicking on this button will then bring up your quote groups and prices. Following is an example.

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Items drawn from Applicad's Customer Service file

Quote group number 3 of 3		×
The name of this group is : Plumbing		<u> << < > >></u>
Line item 1 : Fascia		
Line item 2 : Gutter		
Line item 3 : Barge Capping		
Line item 4 : Valley Irons		
The calculated total for this group is	\$1284.37	
The material component is	\$1157.54	
The labour component is	\$126.84	
What is the amount you want to write on the quote ?	1284.3737	inc tax
Re-Calc	Continue	

By selecting the arrows in the top right of the dialog you can scroll through the different groups. Click **Continue** to return to the Supply & Install screen. Select **Print** and then select the template that you modified with the Quote Group Key Text Strings, and you are done. Following is a brief example of what your printout may look like.

Items drawn from Applicad's Customer Service file

Roof • Roof • Ridge • Batten	Total	\$1673.27
Plumbing • Fascia • Gutter • Barge Capping • Valley Irons	GST (10.0%) Total	1398.22 139.82 \$1538.05
Insulation	GST (10.0%) Total	233.00 23.30 \$256.30

Example of the new Quote Form after Quote Groups has been applied.

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