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THE BIM WIZARD

Specifications: User Guide

Office master specifications, MasterFormat references and vendor lists

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BBM-SPECIFICATIONS-GUIDE
Office specification library

The office master specification at `BABOOM-BIM-STANDARD\02-LIBRARIES\11-SPECIFICATIONS`: **557 master sections in 16 MasterFormat divisions**, written per building type, with the MasterFormat and NBS references and the approved vendor lists they use. Start every project specification from here.

1 Divisions

Division	Sections
01 General Requirements	65
02 Existing Conditions	3
03 Concrete	60
04 Masonry	18
05 Metals	34
06 Wood Plastics And Composites	13
07 Thermal And Moisture Protection	84
08 Openings	79
09 Finishes	61
10 Specialties	25
11 Equipment	11
12 Furnishings	13
14 Conveying Equipment	7
23 Hvac	35
31 Earthwork	35
32 Exterior Improvements	14

2 Building types

Building type	Sections
Commercial building, high-rise	89
Commercial building, low-rise	61
Government building, Estidama 4 Pearl	92
HVAC master (updated July 2023)	35
Mall, high level	78
Mall, low level	47
Mosque	76
Resort and hotel, 5 star	9
Villa	12
Villa, VIP	29
Villa, small	29

3 Write a project specification

Find 1

Open `CATALOGUE.html`. Search a section number (092900) or a word (gypsum), filter by division.

Pick the building type 2

Take the section written for the nearest building type. Files with the same text for several types are kept once; the catalogue says which types share it.

Copy 3

Copy the file into the project specification folder and edit the copy. Add the project vendors from 02-APPROVED-VENDORS.

Check 4

Check every referenced standard and code edition (04-REFERENCES/00-CODES-AND-REGULATIONS) before issue.

4 Folders

Folder	What
`00-FRAMEWORKS`	21 files: CSI MasterFormat 1995 to 2018, UniFormat, NBS, the office master table of contents, masterlist and checklist.
`01-MASTER-SPECS-BY-DIVISION`	One folder per MasterFormat division (NN-NAME). Cover sheets and tables of contents per building type sit with their division.
`02-APPROVED-VENDORS`	10 office vendor and manufacturer lists. Project-specific lists are not kept here.
`BBM-SPECIFICATIONS-INDEX.csv`	Every file with division, section, building type, SHA-256 and the server path it was copied from.

5 Names

`BBM-SPC` (office spec) - `092900` (MasterFormat section) - `MALL-HIGH` (building type) - `GYPSUM-BOARD-ASSEMBLIES-v01` (title, version)

Five-digit numbers (01110) are MasterFormat 1995 sections from the older villa masters; they stay until those sections are rewritten. Published references keep the publisher title (CSI-MASTERFORMAT-2018.pdf).

Licence check. 13 CSI MasterFormat files are paid CSI publications: the BIM team confirms the office licence or moves them to 98-ARCHIVE.

Gaps to close. No master sections yet for divisions 13, 21, 22, 26 to 28 (MEP and fire) and no landscape, interiors or fire-and-life-safety masters. Divisions 23 HVAC came from the MEP team (July 2023 update).

+ Add a new item

1 Drop it
Copy the file into `11-SPECIFICATIONS\99-INTAKE` with a one-line note: what it is, where it came from, licence, who asked.

2 BIM team checks
It works, holds no client or project data, is not a duplicate (same SHA-256) and may be used by the office.

3 Filed and named
The BIM team renames it (BBM-SPC-<section>-<type>-<TITLE>-v01; new edition = next version, old one to 98-ARCHIVE) and moves it to its numbered folder. Rejected items go to 98-ARCHIVE.

4 Pages rebuilt
build_all.py regenerates this guide, the catalogue and the front page. Nothing is deleted.

Who to ask
The BIM team: questions, corrections, installs and new items. Do not edit files in the library; it is read-only for users.