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Summary: *Update Prices by Pricing File*

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Overview: The following procedures below will accurately take you through the steps necessary to update SolidBuilder database prices by importing a pricing file created in Microsoft Excel.

Solution:

1. Open Excel.
2. The Excel file will consist of two columns. In the left column you will need to enter the SolidBuilder item number only. This does not include the division or subdivision number.
Example: if an item is in division 12 and subdivision 10 and the item is 020816, the full number is 12.10.020816. But you only enter the 020816 in the left column. To use this file import feature, each item should have it's own unique number because if you use the same number for treated lumber and for SPF when you do the file import, the price on both will be updated with the same price.

You can manually enter the SolidBuilder item numbers, or if you have Microsoft Access you can cut and paste.
3. The right column will be the price.
4. The left column (the item numbers) has to be formatted as a text column and the right column (the price) has to be formatted as a number column. Right click on the column heading and select Format.
5. When you have the item numbers and their corresponding price entered you must save the Excel file as a csv file. Click on File → Save As and change the Save As Type to .csv.
6. In SolidBuilder select Database → Update Prices and toggle on Update Prices by Pricing File. Hit OK. The Open dialog box appears and locate the file you saved in Excel. Your prices will be updated.
7. You can also setup a second sheet in your Excel file for your vendors item number with the price and link that price field to the corresponding SolidBuilder item number on the first sheet. This creates a link between the vendors item number and the corresponding SolidBuilder item number.

Example:

A 2x4 92 5/8" PreCut stud in SolidBuilder is 24PC. That same precut from your vendor will have it's own number, say 32467. On the first sheet left column enter 24PC

First Sheet

Second Sheet

	A	B	C
1	24PC	2.89	
2	26PC	3.29	
3	26104PC	3.98	
4	2410PC	3.63	

	A	B	C
1	32467	2.89	
2	32469	3.29	
3	32475	3.98	
4	32460	3.63	

On the second sheet enter the corresponding vendor number and their price. In column B of the first sheet enter =Sheet2!B1. This will automatically update the first sheet prices.