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The Complete Project Budgeting Guide

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Understanding a Trade Breakdown

Major categories

- ☐ Framing & structure
- ☐ Electrical & plumbing
- ☐ Finishes (flooring, cabinetry, fixtures)
- ☐ Labor & permits

Why it matters

- ☐ Lets you compare bids fairly, not just bottom-line totals

Comparing Bids Fairly

Do this

- ☐ Request the same breakdown format from every bidder
- ☐ Confirm scope matches before comparing price
- ☐ Ask specifically what's NOT included

Watch for

- ☐ An unusually low bid — scrutinize it, don't just accept it

Is Estimating Software Worth It?

For contractors bidding regularly

- ☐ Meaningful time savings per bid
- ☐ More consistent, professional-looking proposals
- ☐ Often pays for itself through better win rates

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