

Complexity: Multi-Component Jobs, Projects, Grids and Campaigns

Everything should be made as simple as possible, but not simpler. - Albert Einstein

Complexity is a natural part of selling printing, packaging and associated custom-manufactured products. The challenge for the sales rep is to present the information so that it is clear to the intended reader, be they a coworker or a customer.

JOBZ! allows the user to approach complexity in a number of different ways, each addressed in a separate Topic Brief.

- 1) A single job contains as many as five **Components** which can be used to describe what is needed within that job, such as Text, Cover, Insert, Reply Card and Envelope. Each job also has up to 6 quantity / price columns, which have small headers that can be used to describe versions, as well as multiple quantities.
- 2) You can also breakout the pricing of that job into as many as a dozen informational lines, using a **Breakout** proposal or the Breakout addendum (using the PDF Append option).
- 3) There is also the ability to present as many as eight separate line items in a compact **Grid**, with each element having its own specs, quantity and price.
- 4) For as many as 50 line items in a job, there is the **Campaign** work type.
- 5) Then there is the **Project** concept. A Project is an ad-hoc collection of Jobs, as many as you need. They are linked together by a Project Name, but remain separate entities as far as estimating and order entry are concerned, though they can be batch processed from JOBZ!, and a uniform Schedule can be applied to all the jobs in the project with a click.

In a Project, each job is written up as a logical entity that corresponds to an estimate, which makes it easy to turn it into an order. The proposal is produced as a package, with cover sheet, individual proposals and a summary page, plus a schedule and whatever else makes sense. The package can be assembled into a single multi-page PDF, using the PDF Append option.

Please see the individual Topic Briefs, our Training video on the subject, and feel free to call for help.

Thanks for using JOBZ!

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