

# Transferring Text and Spreadsheet Information into Chief Architect

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# **QUESTION**

I have text and/or spreadsheet information that I would like to copy into Chief Architect. How can I do this?

#### **ANSWER**

Text can be copied to and from Chief Architect using the Copy and Paste tools and/or the associated shortcut keyboard commands for Copy and Paste.

#### To copy text from Chief Architect to another program

- 1. **Open** a Chief Architect plan that contains text you would like to copy.
- 2. Using the **Select Objects** \( \subseteq \text{tool}, select the text you wish to copy.

- 3. Click the **Copy/Paste** •→• edit button or navigate to **Edit> Copy** □ using the menu.
- 4. Open the program you wish to paste this copied text into and press **Ctrl + V** if you're on a Windows PC or **Command + V** if you're on a Mac.

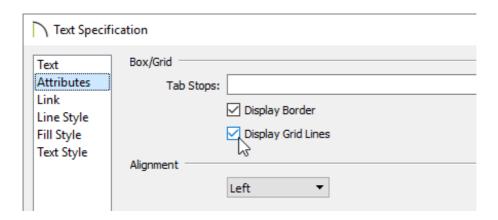
#### To copy text from another program into Chief Architect

- Select the text you would like to copy, then press Ctrl + C if you're on a Windows PC or Command + C of you're on a Mac.
- 2. **Open** your desired Chief Architect plan file, then click **Edit> Paste> Paste**.

### To copy a spreadsheet into Chief Architect

- 1. Select the cells that you would like to copy from a spreadsheet application, then press **Ctrl + C** if you're on a Windows PC or **Command + C** if you're on a Mac.
- 2. **Open** the Chief Architect plan or layout file in which you would like to paste the text from another program.
- 3. Select **CAD> Text> Text** T from the menu, then click in your drawing area to open the **Text Specification** dialog.
- 4. Click once inside the Text field, then press **Ctrl + V** if you're on a Windows PC or **Command + V** if you're on a Mac.
- 5. On the Attributes panel of the **Text Specification** dialog, check **Display Border** and **Display Grid Lines** under the **Box/Grid** section to display column and row

separation lines.



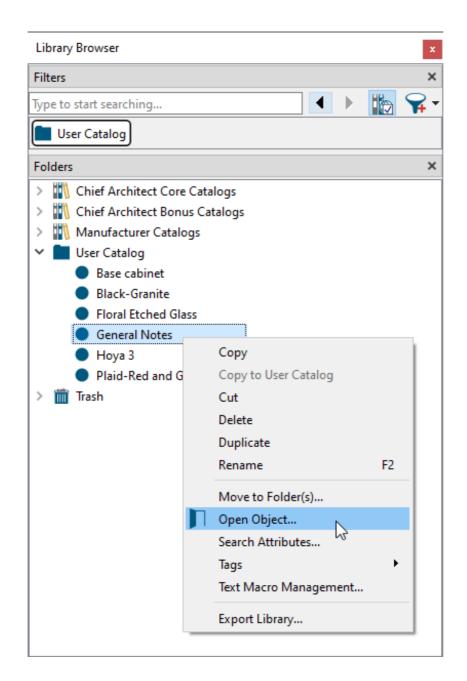
6. Click **OK** to confirm the changes and your selected spreadsheet cells will now appear in the text object.

## To add text to the library\*

\*Applies to X13 and newer program versions.

- 1. With the **Select Object** \( \sqrt{\text}\) tool, select the text box that needs to be added to the library.
- 2. On the Edit toolbar, click on the **Add to Library** tool to add the text box to the User Catalog section of the Library Browser.
- 3. If additional changes need to be made to the added text object, right-click on it from within the User Catalog and choose **Open Object** .

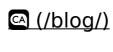
**Note:** On a Mac, hold down the Control key while clicking to initiate a right-click command. More information about right-click commands on Apple input devices can be found in the following Apple resource: <u>Right-click on Mac (https://support.apple.com/guide/mac-help/right-click-mh35853/mac#)</u>.



#### **Related Articles**

- Adding a CAD Object, CAD Detail, or Text to the Library (/support/article/KB-00002/adding-a-cad-object-cad-detail-or-text-to-the-library.html)
- <u> Adjusting the Font Size of Text (/support/article/KB-00183/adjusting-the-font-size-of-text.html)</u>





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