# Saving a View of my Plan as a Picture

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## QUESTION

How do I save a 2D or 3D view of my plan as a picture, or image file, such as a .bmp, .jpg or .png?

### ANSWER

In Chief Architect, any view can be exported out of the program and saved as a picture file using the Export Picture tool.

#### To export a picture

- 1. **Open** the Chief Architect plan in which you would like to save a view as a picture, then open the desired view.
- 2. With the desired view active, select **File> Export> Export Picture (BMP,JPG,PNG)** if from the menu.

3. Specify your desired properties in the **Export Picture** dialog, then click **OK**.

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Use Active Window Size							
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Width: 1920							
Height: 1080							
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Image Properties							
Transparent Background							
OK Cancel Help							

The settings in this dialog are retained between program sessions. To learn more about each setting, please select the Help button to open your program's documentation.

#### 4. In the **Export Picture File** dialog that opens next:

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• Browse to the location on your computer where you would like to save your picture.

- Choose an appropriate **File name**, as well as the desired file format using the **Save as type** drop-down menu.
- Click **Save** to save your picture as specified.

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