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Controlling the Display Size of Temporary Dimensions in Plan, or Rich Text in the Specification Dialog

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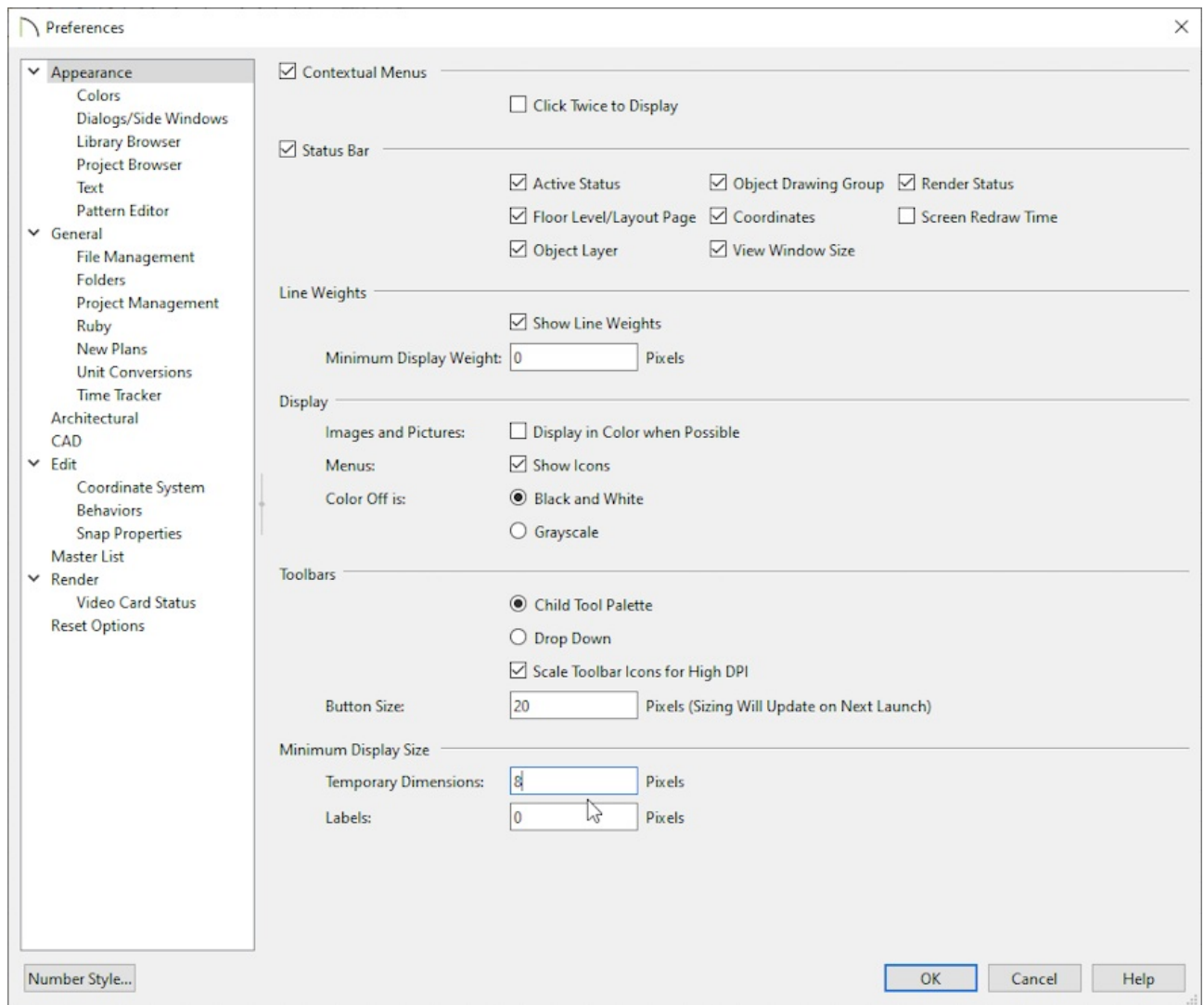Last Modified: **September 12, 2025**

QUESTION

The display of temporary dimensions on my screen is too small when I am zoomed out. How can I make their display bigger so that they are easier to read, without affecting the size they will be when printed?

ANSWER

The on-screen size of temporary dimensions and object labels can both be specified in the Preferences dialog on the Appearance panel.

To change the display size of dimensions

1. Select **Edit> Preferences** 🔳P if you're on a Windows PC or **Chief Architect> Preferences** 🔳P if you are on a Mac.

2. On the APPEARANCE panel, under the Minimum Display Size section, specify the number of **Pixels** for **Temporary Dimensions**.

This is the on-screen size and does not affect printed or exported output. To use the printed scale, set these values to 0 or turn on Print Preview.
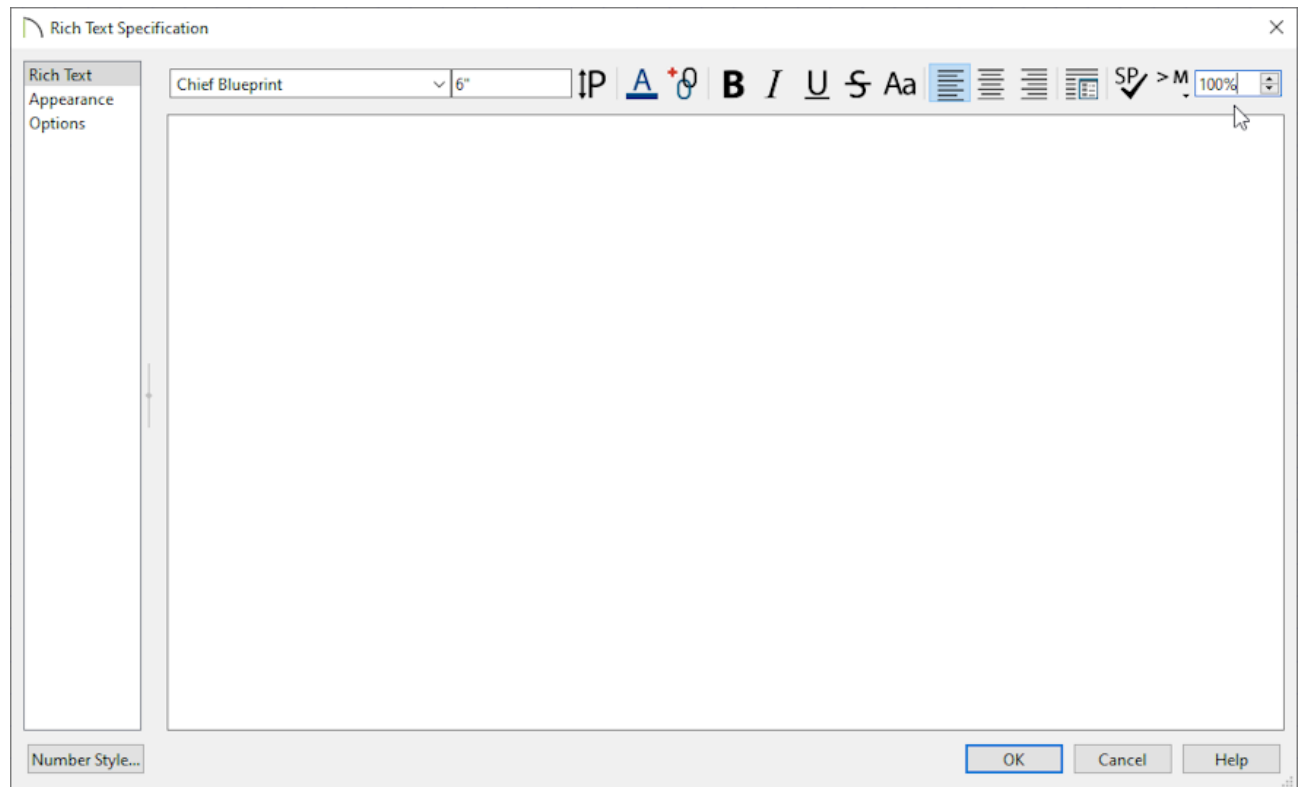
Printed dimension and label sizes are set by modifying the text styles used by those dimensions or labels.

3. Click **OK** to apply this change.

To change the display size of Text in the Rich Text Specification

1. Create or Select and open the **Rich Text** we are working with.

2. On the RICH TEXT panel, at the top right, change the Zoom percentage to adjust the

Rich Text display size below.

Note: This will not edit the size of the text on your plan/layout file. For information on controlling the size of your text on plan/layout please see the Related Articles section below.

Related Articles

   Adjusting the Font Size of Text (/support/article/KB-00183/adjusting-the-font-size-of-text.html)

   Changing What Dimensions Locate (/support/article/KB-00941/changing-what-dimensions-locate.html)

   Creating and Using a Custom Text Style (/support/article/KB-01325/creating-and-using-a-custom-text-style.html)

   Modifying the Text Styles of Labels (/support/article/KB-00011/modifying-the-text-styles-of-labels.html)

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