

As manager of the Engineering / Drafting department for a store fixture company it was my task to find software to help develop our Bill of Materials. With such a wide variety of fixtures and all the different parts used in them I was looking for something easy to use and that would work with AutoCAD 3D. In doing the research I found many programs that said they could output a Bill of Materials from AutoCAD, but I also soon found out they were not easy. When I came across SmartLister I was impressed by the way it said it used the actual 3D parts for size and to create a list. I had one of my drafters download a sample version and we were able to create a parts list that could output to Excel very quickly and accurately. We later wanted to switch our Bill of Materials to an Access database and SmartLister worked very well for us. With SmartLister using the actual 3D AutoCAD parts we no longer have worry about human errors in our cut sheets for the factory. We are very pleased with the software and look forward to future enhancements.

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