

SDS/2 Estimating



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SDS/2 Estimating Featured as Modern Steel Construction 2020 Hot Product

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You may know how powerful SDS/2's intelligent connection design is for steel detailers, but SDS/2 Detailing isn't the only software solution we have on the market that's paving the way for automation, accuracy, and efficiency in the industry.

In this month's issue of [Modern Steel Construction](#), you'll see [SDS/2 Estimating](#), another one of our great software solutions, featured as a 2020 Hot Product.



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What Makes SDS/2 Estimodeling 'Hot'

SDS/2 Estimodeling is the only structural steel estimating software on the market today with built-in connection optimization. Powered by the intelligence of our all-in-one 3D steel detailing with automated connection design, it allows you to generate fast and accurate model-based estimates without relying on tables or third-party software.

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But 'fast and accurate' is only the beginning. If you take advantage of all the software has to offer, you can gain a true competitive advantage.

Here are a few examples of powerful ways you can use SDS/2 Estimodeling:

- Tailor estimates to your shop standards
- Identify expensive fabrication conditions
- Quickly compare alternative designs for cost-optimized fabrication
- Spot check model costs
- Pre-identify RFIs
- Import design models
- Get a jumpstart on project detailing
- Use the 3D model as a sales presentation tool to help win projects

SDS/2 customer Drake Williams Steel has been transitioning to an SDS/2 Estimodeling workflow and is already seeing the benefits in providing their customers more complete pictures of the budget and tonnage of a project and getting more bids out the door.

“It saves us 30 – 40 percent on time when we use the model and create material lists,” said Derrick Fitton, Director of Operations for Drake Williams Steel – Structural Division.

See for yourself how SDS/2 Estimodeling can transform your bidding process and win you more projects. [Schedule a demo with SDS/2 today >>](#)

Online training and certification is now available for SDS/2 Estimodeling. The course covers all the skills, tools, and workflows involved in model-based estimating with SDS/2. Learn basic modeling concepts, connection setup and automation, and more, all at your own pace. [Start learning today >>](#)

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