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Building Information Modelling (BIM) Guide for SCCU Submissions

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Objective

The primary purpose of this Guide is to gather and present factual materials in such a manner that project officers, both professional and technical, could obtain a common reference of the various practices on the adoption of BIM in SCCU submissions for building projects undertaken the Architectural Services Department.

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1 Introduction

1.1 Overview

This Building Information Modelling (BIM) Guide for Statutory Compliance Checking Unit (SCCU) Submissions (hereinafter called "The Guide") documents the specific requirements of the management and production of BIM models for SCCU submissions on building projects managed by Architectural Services Department (ArchSD). It aims at providing the general requirements and practices for the processing of BIM model and related deliverables for SCCU submissions in order to achieve the following objectives:-

- To standardize the settings and configurations of BIM model for SCCU submissions; and
- To facilitate the checking and acceptance of plans with BIM technology.

For avoidance of doubt, the general requirements on building up of unified data management structure, the settings and configurations of the BIM model should be referred to the separate 'Building Information Modelling (BIM) Guide for Architectural Design' issued by Architectural Branch of the ArchSD and 'Building Information Modelling (BIM) Guide for Building Services Installation' issued by Building Services Branch of the ArchSD.

The Guide is formulated base on recognized BIM standards, guidelines and industry practices. While BIM is under rapid development, this Guide shall be subject to regular review and update to suit the latest development of BIM.

1.2 Reference BIM Standards and Guidelines

This Guide has made referenced to the following international and local standards and guidelines:

- (a) BIM Harmonisation Guidelines for Works Departments (Version 1.0 October 2021) by the Development Bureau.
- (b) CIC BIM Standards General (Version 2.1 December 2021) issued by Hong Kong Construction Industry Council.
- (c) CIC BIM Standards for Architecture and Structural Engineering (Version 2.1 2021) issued by Hong Kong Construction Industry Council
- (d) CIC BIM Standards for Mechanical, Electrical and Plumbing (Version 2 -2021) issued by Hong Kong Construction Industry Council
- (e) CIC Production of BIM Object Guide General Requirements (Version 2 2021) issued by Hong Kong Construction Industry Council.
- (f) CIC BIM Dictionary (2021) issued by Hong Kong Construction Industry Council.
- (g) CIC BIM Standards for Preparation of Statutory Plan Submissions (December 2020) issued by Hong Kong Construction Industry Council.
- (h) Guidelines for Using Building Information Modelling in General Building Plans Submission 2019 issued by Buildings Department (BD).
- (i) Building Information Modelling Asset Management (BIM-AM) Standards and Guidelines Version 2.0 issued by Electrical and Mechanical Services Department (EMSD).
- (j) Computer-Aided-Drafting Standard for Works Projects (CSWP) issued by Development Bureau of the HKSAR Government.
- (k) Building Information Modelling for General Building Plan Submission (Phase One) Consultancy

- Report, FEB 2017 by Hong Kong Construction Industry Council.
- (I) American Institute of Architects (AIA)'s G202™-2013 Project Building Information Modeling Protocol Form.
- (m) BS EN ISO 19650-1:2018 Organization and digitization of information about buildings and civil engineering works, including building information modelling (BIM) – Information management using building information modelling, Part 1: Concepts and principles.
- (n) BS EN ISO 19650-2:2018 Organization and digitization of information about buildings and civil engineering works, including building information modelling (BIM) Information management using building information modelling, Part 2: Delivery phase of the assets.
- (o) BS EN ISO 19650-3:2020 Organization and digitization of information about buildings and civil engineering works, including building information modelling (BIM) – Information management using building information modelling, Part 3: Operational phase of the assets.
- (p) BS EN ISO 19650-5:2020 Organization and digitization of information about buildings and civil engineering works, including building information modelling (BIM) Information management using building information modelling, Part 5: Security-minded approach to information management.
- (q) BIM Guide for Architectural Design issued by Architectural Branch of the Architectural Services Department.
- (r) BIM Guide for Facilities Upkeep issued by Property Services Branch of Architectural Services Department.
- (s) BIM Guide for Cost Estimation issued by Quantity Surveying Branch of the Architectural Services Department.

1.3 Terminology

The abbreviations and terminology/ glossary shall refer the CIC BIM Dictionary (2021).

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2 BIM File Submission Requirements

2.1 General

In general, drawings for statutory compliance checking should be generated from BIM models. Solely importing/ linking 2D drawings to BIM models is not acceptable. Certain 2D drawings such as architectural details, building services schematic, control logic diagrams which cannot be generated from the BIM model directly should be prepared in accordance with the CAD Standard for Works Projects (CSWP).

The BIM model submitted to SCCU should contain at least 3D model and sheet/ worksheet (i.e. page for a document set containing drawings, schedules etc.). The information shown in the sheet/ worksheet shall be identical to the plans submitted in hardcopy.

Submission information sheet at **Annex A** and the latest BIM Execution Plan (BEP), separately approved by the Director's Representative/ Supervising Officer or agreed by the project team for in-house projects, should be submitted to SCCU with the BIM models.

2.2 Model Format

The federated BIM model submitted to SCCU should be in native format. Linked files (e.g. disciplinary model) might be in native or open format.

The BIM model format adopted should be stated in the submission information sheet and tally with the approved BEP.

All lightweight, compressed or zipped file formats such as ".dwf", ".dwfx" and ".bimx" will not be accepted. Example of model format as below:-

	BIM Software	Model Format		
1.	Revit	.rvt		
2.	ArchiCAD	.pla		

2.3 Software Version

The software version of BIM models adopted should be stated in the submission information sheet and tally with the approved BEP. Latest software version is recommended to be used.

2.4 Language

All project information and attributes of all BIM models should be in English language unless otherwise agreed with SCCU, ArchSD.

2.5 Media for Submission

The data files should be stored in a non-rewritable DVD-ROM in ISO/IEC 13346:1995 format (i.e. DVD format) unless otherwise agreed by SCCU, ArchSD. All other electronic submission media will not be accepted.

Disk cover of the DVD-ROM shall include the following information:

- (i) InForM No./ Project Code
- (ii) Type of Submission [GBP/ Drainage Plans/ Hoarding Plans/ M&R Access Plans];
- (iii) No. of Submission [1st Submission/ 1st Amendment/ 2nd Amendment/ ...];
- (iv) Date of Submission (Date should tally with cover letter/ memo for submission of plans);
- (v) No. of disk [Disk 1 of 1/ Disk 1 of 2/ Disk 1 of 3/ ...]; and
- (vi) Name of submission party [Name of Architectural Consultant/ CA1, ArchSD/ CA2, ArchSD/ ...].

Example:



2.6 Folder Structure

BIM model and data files submitted in DVD-ROM format should be self-contained and detached from the originating server. It shall be able to be opened in any standalone computer. All linked files for the federated BIM model including disciplinary models, calculations in excel format, captures in pdf format should be stored in respective sub-folders in the DVD-ROM. The link between all linked files and the BIM main file should be appropriately connected.

All project data should be stored under corresponding InForM No./ Project Code folder in the DVD-ROM. The submission folder structures are recommended as follows:-

Folder Structure/ Example 8345 InForM No./ Project Code 20230110_GBP_1st Submission (i) (ii) (iii) (iii) BEP BIM model Description (i) Date of Submission (8 digits: YYYYMMDD) (ii) Type of Submission [GBP/ DRP/ HP/ MRAP] (iii) No. of Submission [1st Submission/ 1st Amendment/ 2nd Amendment/ ...] Folder to store BIM model files, linked files and image etc.

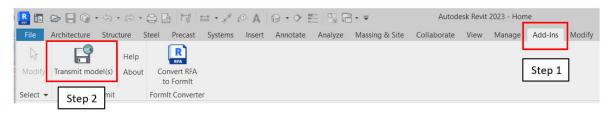
2.7 File Size

File size of each BIM model/ data file should not exceed the specified size in the ArchSD BIM Guides and/or the DEVB BIM Harmonisation Guidelines for Works Departments. In general, the maximum file size for each divided BIM model should not exceed 500Mb unless otherwise approved.

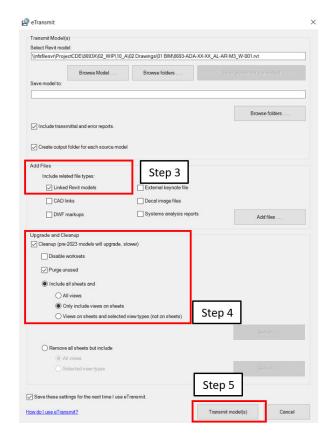
File size of each BIM model should be kept in minimum by purging unused views, BIM objects and settings before publish or submission. Only necessary information for statutory checking should be contained in the model and data files. Example as follows:-

(i) Revit

- Step 1: Select "Add-Ins"
- Step 2: Click "Transmit model(s)"

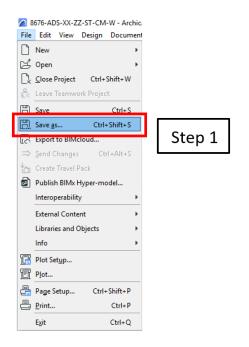


- Step 3: Tick "Linked Revit models"
- Step 4: Tick "Purge unused" and "Only include views on sheets"
- Step 5: Click "Transmit model(s)"

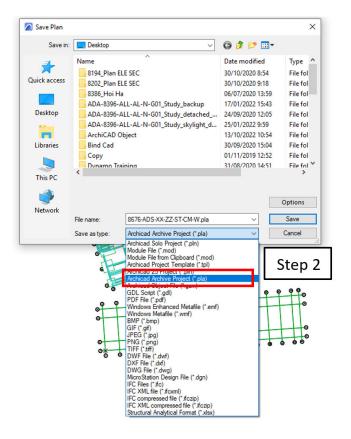


(ii) ArchiCAD

Step 1: Click "Save as..." under "File"



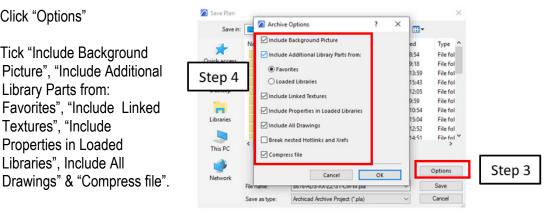
Step 2: Select "Archicad Archive Project (*.pla)"



Step 3: Click "Options"

Step 4: Tick "Include Background Picture", "Include Additional Library Parts from:

> Favorites", "Include Linked Textures", "Include Properties in Loaded Libraries", Include All



Naming Conventions 2.8

BIM models should be named in compliance with the ArchSD BIM Guides and/or the DEVB BIM Harmonisation Guidelines for Works Departments.

2.8.1 Drawing Numbering System

Drawing numbering system should refer to the ArchSD BIM Guides and Section 3.9 of the Drawing Practice Manual Second Edition

2.8.2 Sheet Naming Convention

Naming of sheet should comply with the ArchSD BIM Guides and tally with the approved BEP.

Sheet Number System of SCCU submission (SC) are recommended as follows:-

Sheet

SC001 to SC799 **GBP** submission

SC801 to SC899 Hoarding Plans Submission

SC901 to SC999 Maintenance and Repair Access Plans Submission

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3 Modelling Requirements

3.1 Model Division

A project BIM model should be divided into separate categories and/ or building blocks depending on the nature and complexity of the project. Relationship between model files and sheet files should be clear. Files should be properly linked.

3.2 Colour Code System

3.2.1 Building material and description on floor plans

All plans, elevations and sections submitted for approval should be coloured to differentiate the building material. The preferred colour code as shown in the **Appendix A** of **PNAP ADM-9** issued by the Buildings Department should be adopted.

3.2.2 Gross Floor Area (GFA) diagrams

The following colour code should be adopted:-

	Categories of GFA	Pre-defined Colour	RGB Colour System			
1.	Accountable domestic GFA		ORANGE 255, 164 ,25			
2.	Accountable non-domestic GFA		RED 227, 100, 102			
3.	. Disregarded GFA NOT subject to the overall 10% cap					
	a) Concession items specified in PNAP APP-151 (other than carpark, loading and unloading areas)		PURPLE 191, 000, 255			
	b) Carpark, loading and unloading areas and others		WOOD 222, 184, 135			
4.	l. Disregarded GFA subject to the overall 10% cap					
	a) Concession items specified in PNAP APP-151		DEEP BLUE 30, 144, 255			
	b) Others		LIGHT BLUE 144, 214, 236			

3.3 Area Data

All area data should be extracted from the BIM model for all related calculations, e.g. calculation for UFA, UFS, GFA, MOE, Site Area, etc.

3.4 Level of Information Need (LOIN)

The LOIN required at each stage of the design, construction and as-built phases should be different to accurately portrait the work. The BIM model submitted to SCCU for statutory checking is recommended to adopt LOD-G 200-300 (graphical representation) and LOD-I 200-300 (non-graphical information).

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Requirement on LOD-G and LOD-I should refer the ArchSD BIM Guides.

3.5 Unit Setting

BIM model should be modelled in metric system (International System of Units). Setting should comply with the ArchSD BIM Guides and/or the approved BEP.

3.6 Level

Naming of level is recommended to be aligned among disciplinary models, sample as shown in Annex B.

3.7 Title Block

The prescribed plans generated from BIM model should contain the information as shown in *Annex C*.

Annex A - Submission Information Sheet

Architectural Services Department					V.1				
BIM Model for SCCU Submissions Submission Information Sheet									
Project Details:									
PWPNo.			InForM No.						
Consultancy Agreement No.			Contract No.						
Project Title									
Type of Plans	[] General Building Plans [] Drainage Plans [] Hoarding Plans [] Maintenance and Repair Access Plans								
Submission Date									
Architectural consultant ⁺									
No. of DVD-ROM									
BIM & Data Files:									
	Model	Name			BIM Software	Version			
Federated BIM Model File									
Linked BIM Model File									
Other Data File (e.g. calculation file in native format/ images in pdf format)									
⁺ The AP acting on behalf architectural consultant	of the	Signature -		Capacity - Tel. No					
		()	Date -					

+ For in-house projects, the architectural consultant or the AP acting on behalf of the consultant is equivalent to the relevant Chief Professional Rank Officer or, the CBSE for drainage works of which the responsibility has been transferred to the BSB.

Submission Information Sheet

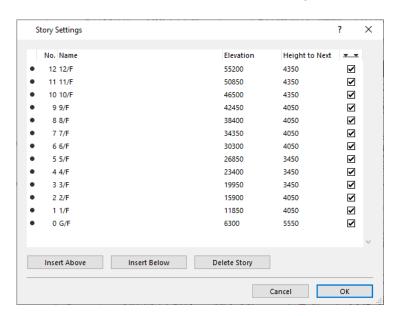
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File in editable format could be downloaded in the ArchSD BIM Portal/ Consultant's Information Centre/ Contractor's Portal.

Annex B - Samples of Level Setting

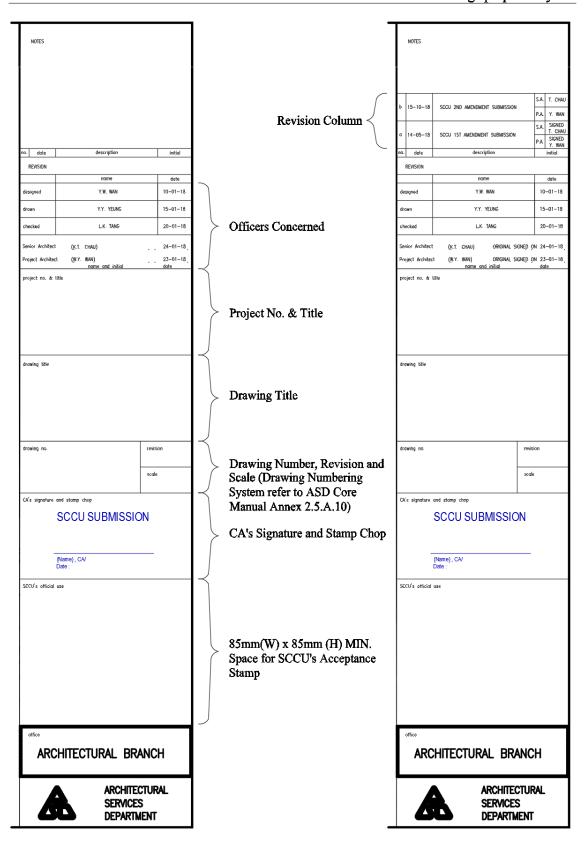




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Annex C – Sample of Title Block

SAMPLE TITLE / INFORMATION PANEL FOR SCCU Submission Drawings prepared by AB



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SAMPLE TITLE / INFORMATION PANEL for SCCU Submission Drawings prepared by BSB

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SAMPLE TITLE / INFORMATION PANEL for SCCU Submission Drawings prepared by Consultant

Figure 1 ORIGINAL DRAWING

Figure 2 REVISION DRAWING