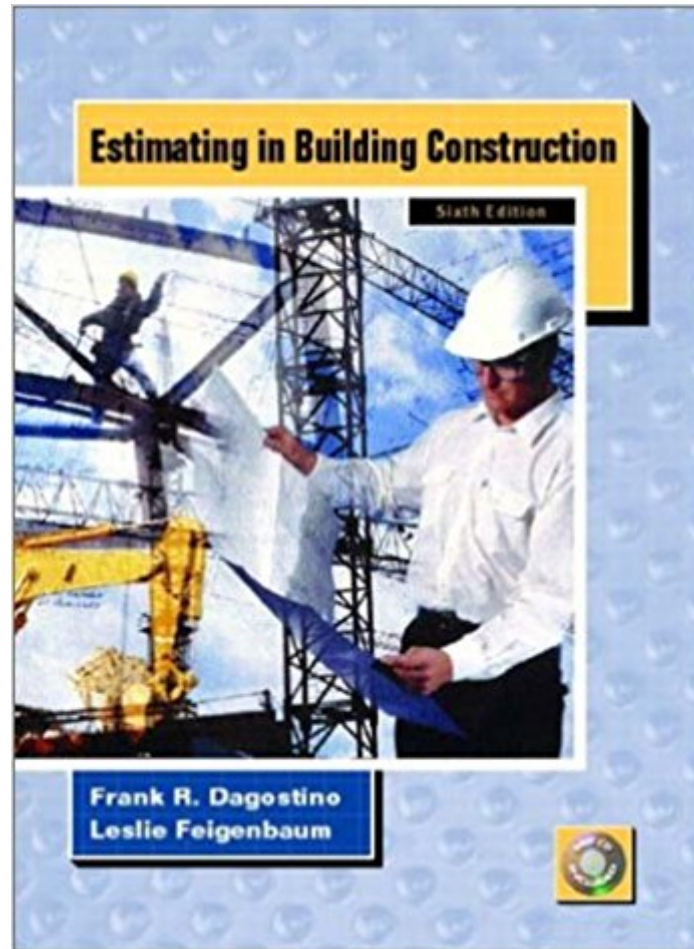


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# Estimating In Building Construction (6th Edition)



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Everything needed to understand Estimating is provided in this proven handbook, which combines coverage of principles with step-by-step procedures. The authors use the popular approach of tracing a complete project's progress throughout the book. Incorporates the use of computers as a key estimating tool. Includes a WinEstimator CD with each copy of the book; readers will develop good computer-based estimating skills through the use of this powerful software, which also includes practice spreadsheets. Keeps readers up to date on the latest methods and materials. Includes a revised and updated illustration program. Provides complete, book-long case studies for follow-through of both commercial and residential buildings. Examines the interrelationship between contract documents and the quantity take-off of material. The ideal reference for construction managers, architects, and engineers.

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This is a very good book for people from different backgrounds that are just starting in the construction field. It shows step-by-step, clear instructions on how to make calculations for takeoffs of most all components of buildings, and illustrates how all of the assembly gets put together into the production of a bid. In this book I found help for my estimating class, but it also gave me a well-rounded understanding of what is involved in constructing a structure.

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