

# Base Building

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This article is designed to explain the purpose of the Base Building, what and how it can be configured, and what menus are accessible in it.

The Base Building is essentially a template building that StrataMax uses to copy information from when a **New Building** is created. The information that should be entered into the Base Building is anything common to all buildings in the StrataMax portfolio, such as the strata manager as an office bear. This will save time and effort each time as new building is created since staff won't have to enter all the information into a completely blank building.

Any new information entered in the Base Building is only added to any new buildings created from that point onward. This new information will not be copied to existing buildings.

## Open the Base Building:

1. Click the Building Selector Tool
2. Click the *Select Base Building* link at the bottom left of the building list.

The screenshot shows the StrataMax software interface. At the top, there is a header with the StrataMax logo and a dropdown menu for 'Building: BASE BUILDING DUMMY'. Below this, there are several tabs: 'BCMax Buildings', 'GLMax Companies', 'Recent Buildings', and 'Recent Companies'. A search box labeled 'Name / Number:' is also present. Below the tabs, there is a section for 'Filters' and 'Buildings'. A table lists buildings with columns for 'Number', 'Name', 'Year Start', 'Year End', and 'Account Manager'. The table contains several rows of data. At the bottom left of the table, there are two links: 'Select Base Building' and 'Select Master Chart Building'. A red circle '1' is placed over the 'Building: BASE BUILDING DUMMY' dropdown, and a red circle '2' is placed over the 'Select Base Building' link. The text 'Count: 26' is visible at the bottom right of the table.

| Number  | Name                  | Year Start | Year End   | Account Manager    |
|---------|-----------------------|------------|------------|--------------------|
| 11      | STRATAMAX ONLINE HELP | 01/01/2020 | 31/12/2020 | StrataMax Training |
| 0504    | DEBTOR ADJUSTMENT     | 01/01/2019 | 31/03/2020 | Cheryl Kelly       |
| 260619  | MEETING HUB           | 01/01/2020 | 31/12/2020 | StrataMax Training |
| 5554444 | VIRIA SAMPLE          | 01/02/2019 | 31/01/2020 | StrataMax Training |

## Available Menus in Base Building

This is an exhaustive list of all the menus that are available from within the Base Building. We have also provided some reasons as to *why* it would be useful to enter information in each menu.

## Accounting and Taxation

### [Account Maintenance \(article\)](#)

This area is critical since it will determine which account codes are available, and is where codes should be copied (individually and in bulk) from the **Master Chart** to the Base Building. Review the GST accounts are available to ensure the correct accounts will be in any newly setup GST Registered Building / Plan.

### [Master List \(article\)](#)

Master List is a report that offers a detailed report that includes Type, P/L, B/S, Main Sub, Update Code and Account Group. This can be useful to refer to when attempting any clean up of data. This is also available in Excel.

### [Master List Tax Code \(article\)](#)

Setting each accounts tax code and non-mutual income tax code can be done and this report will confirm what has been set for each account. This report exports to Excel.

## Creditors and Payments

### [Creditor Maintenance \(article\)](#)

Creditor accounts that are frequently used should be entered, such as the Strata Management company and the ATO Creditor for BAS and Income Tax. Any Creditor records that may be used less frequently will still exist in the **Master Chart** ready to be added to any local building as required.

### [Creditor Master List \(article\)](#)

Creditor Master List is a report that reports the creditors available with some basic detail. This report is available for Excel and will include more information when exported.

## Levies & Arrears

### [Levy Invoice Code Setup \(article\)](#)

Critical for each building in order to determine which funds are available for levies.

## Property Setup

### [Insurance \(article\)](#)

All insurance codes will exist in the Master Chart, and the Base Building can be set to include only the most frequently used policies. By reviewing the insurance policies in the Base Building can help reduce unused

policies in new buildings.

### [Office Bearers \(article\)](#)

Accessing the Office Bearers from the Base Building is available and allows for the Body Corporate Manager record to be reviewed. If any changes are to be made against the Body Corporate Manager record this should be done via the **Body Corp. Manager Maintenance** menu.

### [Reports/Utilities Global \(article\)](#)

This area is available from the Base Building and performs in the same way as it does from a local building. The 'Change Building' function exists here.

### [Common Property Register \(article\)](#)

Although this menu is available from the Base Building and performs in the same way as it does from a local building, there aren't many instances where this would be applicable across every building.

### [Contracts \(article\)](#)

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### [Disputes \(article\)](#)

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### [Document Amendment \(article\)](#)

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### [Inspections \(article\)](#)

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### [Lot Improvements \(article\)](#)

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### [Other Registers \(article\)](#)

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### [Restricted Issues \(article\)](#)

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### [Returned Mail \(article\)](#)

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### [Bank Account Setup \(article\)](#)

If the majority of the buildings are with the same bank, complete the common bank details in [Base Account Setup](#). This will only have to change for buildings which have a different bank.

### [Body Corp. Manager & Body Corp Manager Maintenance\(article\)](#)

This should be configured already, and shouldn't need to be changed in the Base Building.

### [Data Storage \(article\)](#)

This menu performs in the exact same way as it does from any other building, or Master Chart. Purely used to back up the Base Building.

### [New Building \(BCMax\)\(article\)](#)

This menu performs in the exact same way as it does from any other building, or Master Chart. The Base Building does not observe any information entered here or copy it to new buildings.

### [Transfer Building In \(article\)](#)

This menu performs in the exact same way as it does from any other building, or Master Chart. The Base Building does not observe any information entered here or copy it to new buildings.

### [Trading Fund Setup \(article\)](#)

This menu is used to set up any trading funds, such as Admin and Sinking/Capital Works/Maintenance, which are installed by default. Any additional funds that are common to new buildings should be entered here.