

Themes and column alignment

Four column alignments

The last column is aligned on the decimal point, not on the right edge. Hold a ruler against the points.

Part	Left	Centre	Right	Mass
bracket	left	centre	right	1,234.50
pin	left	centre	right	7.5
washer	left	centre	right	0.125
housing	left	centre	right	88
seal	left	centre	right	-1,000.05
template	left	centre	right	n/a
Total				330.075

The three built-in themes

-theme plain

Size	Finish	Stock	Unit
M4x12	stainless	240	0.35
M5x20	zinc plated	180	0.62
M6x30	stainless	95	1.40

-theme striped

Size	Finish	Stock	Unit
M4x12	stainless	240	0.35
M5x20	zinc plated	180	0.62
M6x30	stainless	95	1.40

-theme grid

Size	Finish	Stock	Unit
M4x12	stainless	240	0.35
M5x20	zinc plated	180	0.62
M6x30	stainless	95	1.40

-style {border outer}

The same rows as above, framed once instead of ruled per cell. Hold it against -theme grid.

Size	Finish	Stock	Unit
M4x12	stainless	240	0.35
M5x20	zinc plated	180	0.62
M6x30	stainless	95	1.40

Right against decimal, same figures

right	decimal
1,234.50	1,234.50
7.5	7.5
0.125	0.125
88	88
-1,000.05	-1,000.05

-headStyle, -bodyStyle, -footStyle

The theme underneath is plain.

Item	Sum
parts	18.20
labour	45.00
total	63.20

The same table, set with a comma

German, French and most of continental Europe write 1.234,50 where English writes 1,234.50 - the roles of point and comma are swapped. Telling the column which character to line up on is therefore not a nicety: leave it on the point and it finds one anyway, the thousands separator, and lines the figures up on that.

Four column alignments, -decimal ,

Hold a ruler against the commas.

Part	Left	Centre	Right	Mass
bracket	left	centre	right	1.234,50
pin	left	centre	right	7,5
washer	left	centre	right	0,125
housing	left	centre	right	88
seal	left	centre	right	-1.000,05
template	left	centre	right	n/a
Total				330,075

Why the option is needed

Three times the same figures. The middle column is what a forgotten -decimal costs, and it is worse than no alignment at all: the point it looks for is the thousands separator, so 1.234,50 and -1.000,05 line up on THAT and stand apart from the rest. Only the figures without a point fall back to flush right.

-decimal ,	-decimal . (wrong)	align right
1.234,50	1.234,50	1.234,50
7,5	7,5	7,5
0,125	0,125	0,125
88	88	88
-1.000,05	-1.000,05	-1.000,05

A small invoice block

The separator applies across head, body and foot alike - the total hangs under the figures it adds up.

Item	Sum
parts	18,20
labour	1.045,00
total	1.063,20

border none, all, horizontal, vertical

The same two columns four times; the first block has -alternateFill in place of rules.

border none		border all		border horizontal		border vertical	
Size	Stock	Size	Stock	Size	Stock	Size	Stock
M4x12	240	M4x12	240	M4x12	240	M4x12	240
M5x20	180	M5x20	180	M5x20	180	M5x20	180
M6x30	95	M6x30	95	M6x30	95	M6x30	95

One cell wraps, the others do not

The middle column carries running text and decides how tall the row is. The narrow columns beside it hold a single line each, and valign says where in the row that line sits: top by default, or middle or bottom. It can be written on the cell or in its style - both mean the same.

Pos	Description	Amount
1	Restoration of the herbarium cabinet: replacement of two drawer runners in oak, refitting of the glazed door including a new pane of 3 mm float glass, repair of the cornice moulding at the left rear corner, and a coat of shellac on the carcass, applied in four passes with an intermediate rub down.	1,240.00
2	Restoration of the herbarium cabinet: replacement of two drawer runners in oak, refitting of the glazed door including a new pane of 3 mm float glass, repair of the cornice moulding at the left rear corner, and a coat of shellac on the carcass, applied in four passes with an intermediate rub down.	318.50
3	Restoration of the herbarium cabinet: replacement of two drawer runners in oak, refitting of the glazed door including a new pane of 3 mm float glass, repair of the cornice moulding at the left rear corner, and a coat of shellac on the carcass, applied in four passes with an intermediate rub down.	96.20

Row one is set top, row two middle, row three bottom - the position number and the amount move, the description does not, because it fills the row on its own.

The same, without rules or fills

-theme plain. Same columns, same valign per row.

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A form: -minRowHeight, valign, -willDrawCell

Two rows of 10 mm; the labels sit on their writing line, the stamp field has none.

Collector	Date
Determined by	Stamp