Message: This is not a valid measurement.

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QUESTION

When I try to move a selected object by clicking on a dimension line, a message sometimes tells me:

- "#272032296 - This is not a valid measurement. The object will not be moved."

What does this mean?

ANSWER

To move a selected object using a dimension, click on a dimension line and then type a new value into the inline dimension text editor. Only three types of characters are allowed:

- Numerals
- Decimal mark
- Length or distance unit indicators (for example, ', ft, mm, or m)

If you type a character that does not fall into one of these categories, the Warning message will display. Click **OK** to close the message box, then click on the object and try again.

In Home Designer Pro, Chief Architect Interiors, and Chief Architect Premier, a complete list of unit indicators available for use can be found on the UNIT CONVERSIONS panel of the **Preferences** 🔲P dialog.

If you choose to use a unit indicator, it should be added after the numerals. If you do not use a unit indicator, inches will be used in Imperial files and millimeters will be used in metric files.

Here are some characters to avoid:

- Thousands separator
- Grave accent (`) instead of the apostrophe (') character for feet
- Complete words instead of unit indicator abbreviations or characters