CSI Masterformat

The Masterformat system divides all materials into 50 categories similar to the system used for library books. The major divisions are presented below. Some numbers are left open for new materials that may be developed in the future. Each division is further divided into more detailed categories, for example precast concrete might be 03.40.

This system is widely used throughout the Architecture / Construction / Engineering industry.

01 General Requirements
02 Existing Conditions
03 Concrete
04 Masonry
05 Metals
06 Wood and Plastics
07 Thermal and Moisture Protection
08 Openings
09 Finishes
10 Specialties
11 Equipment
12 Furnishings
13 Special Construction
14 Conveying Equipment

21 Fire Suppression
22 Plumbing
23 Heating, Ventilating, Air Conditioning

26 Electrical
27 Communications
28 Electronic Safety and Security

31 Earthwork
32 Exterior Improvements
33 Utilities

Go to www.csinet.org/masterformat for more information.
UniFormat is another system for organizing construction materials. It was also developed by CSI and it is sometimes used to organize estimates and design work.

UniFormat classifies information into the following elements:

INTRODUCTION
A) SUBSTRUCTURE
B) SHELL
C) INTERIORS
D) SERVICES
E) EQUIPMENT AND FURNISHINGS
F) SPECIAL CONSTRUCTION AND DEMOLITION
G) BUILDING SITework
Z) GENERAL