PDF Trace Objects

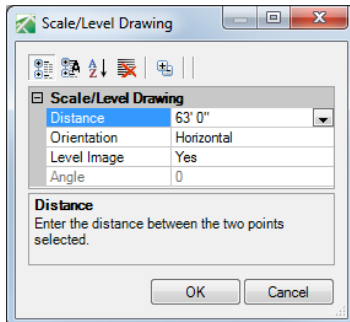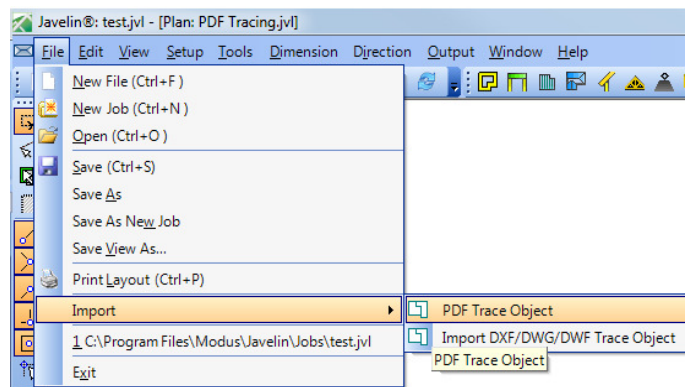This feature can be use to speed up drawing input by tracing the PDF to input objects:

- Walls
- Beams
- Posts
- Framing
- Openings
- Loads…

The PDF can also be Rotated, Mirrored, Leveled, Cropped and Scaled. If the PDF is a scanned image, it still possible to imported and used on screen to reference dimensions during normal input.
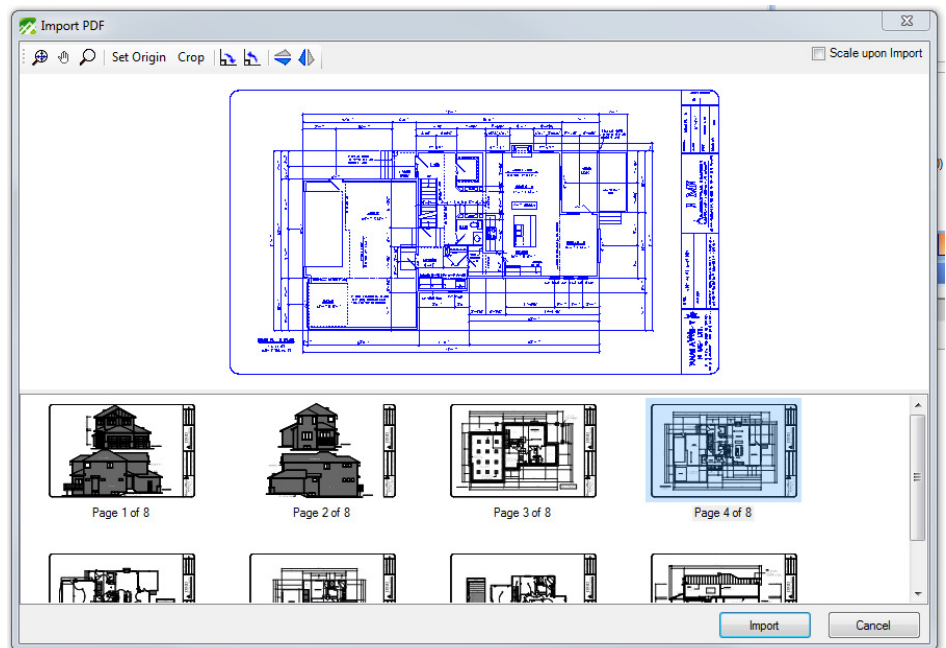
Warning: PDF Files can effect performance depending on how many object are contain in the PDF file.

Steps:

1. Start a **New File (Ctrl+F)** select your standard **Template** and **Building Style**

2. Go to **File** > **Import** > **PDF Trace Object**

3. Browse and select the desired file and click Open

4. The import PDF Dialog will display:

   a. Set the Origin – to insert the PDF

   b. Crop the PDF – remove unwanted information like the title block

   c. Rotate the PDF for desired orientation

   d. Mirror the PDF for desired orientation

   e. Scale upon import

5. Click **Import** button

6. Scaling: Select two points of a known dimension and input the distance for this dimension.

7. Follow prompts at the bottom of the screen.

8. Once complete trace your PDF with the desired object.

Note: When scaling use the longest dimension as possible for the best result. Scaling is base off of the quality of the original PDF, dimensions may be off by a 1/16" difference in the opposite dimension due to PDF quality.