

Electronic Artwork Requirements for Digital & Offset Printing

Design - We support the most current industry standard applications. Both Mac and PC formats are accepted.

Software – QuarkXpress 6.5, Adobe IllustratorCS2, Adobe PhotoshopCS2, Adobe InDesignCS2, Adobe PageMaker , Macromedia Freehand 10, and Adobe Acrobat 7 set as High Quality Print file.

Graphics - EPS & Tiff formats are supported. jpeg files set at Maximum Quality and saved as CMYK.

Fonts - Use PostScript type 1 fonts. Refrain from True Type when possible.

Proofs - A digital proof is the only type of proof to accurately represent digital color output.

Offset jobs will require a Kodak or other “contract” color accurate proof.

Electronic Files - We accept the following Media: Via e-mail, FTP site or CD rom.

Contact customer service for information about sending art via email or FTP site.

Checklist

- Provide a current laser proof.
 - Laser proof should be actual size, if not, indicate reduction.
 - For quality control, lasers must match electronic file exactly. If changes have been made please mark this on lasers.
 - Highlight color breaks, live vs. FPO artwork, and any special editing instruction.
- Send a copy of your file, not original.
- Include layered files instead of flattened artwork.
- Include fonts when using Adobe Acrobat pdf files for print files.
- Label disks and be sure they contain most current files.
- The art fits manufacturer’s template.
- If document has bleeds, be sure the bleeds extended as requested on template.
- You have included both screen and printer fonts used in document, including fonts used in linked graphic or illustration files.
- All fonts were selected from the fonts menu & not using style options button.
- All imported images (TIFF, EPS, etc.) are included on disks.
- All document colors are set to CMYK.
- Any large areas with solid black coverage including text 24pt and larger have been combined with 80%C, 60%M, 80%Y, 100%K for a more dense black.
- Avoid large solid areas of any single color for digital printing helps minimize streaking.
- All color images are saved as CMYK not RGB and set at 300 dpi.
- Compress larger files when sending via-email, using Stuffit or Winzip Compression programs.
- All color and gray scale scans were scanned at 300 dpi and to 100% of size in document.
- Line work was scanned between 900 & 1200 lpi.
- All lines are thicker than a hairline rule.
- All unnecessary graphics and text is deleted from pasteboard.

Failure to follow these guidelines may cause your job to be delayed and additional costs may be incurred!