

LARGE FORMAT FILE REQUIREMENTS

PREFERRED FILE FORMATS

Adobe Illustrator [.ai](#) & [editable .pdf](#)

For artwork requiring editing, Package the file with all fonts used in the document.

Embed all images and Package with linked images.

When saving as [.pdf](#), enable option to Preserve Illustrator Editing Capabilities.

Adobe InDesign [.indd](#)

Package the file and include all linked images and fonts.

Adobe Photoshop [.psd](#), [.tiff](#), [.pdf](#)

Include all layers, paths, and channels.



Please convert any other file types to [.pdf](#) (or [.tiff](#) where applicable).

AutoCad files are typically not suitable for our workflow, and will need to be exported as [.pdf](#) files prior to production.

All graphics requiring contour-cutting need to be vectorized.

ARTWORK SETUP



Color

Set document color mode to CMYK for four color process production, including all files linked within the document.

For color-critical jobs, please provide a reference sample, or define spot colors as PMS colors. Avoid using only color values or generic names like "sea-foam green".



Font & Text

Adobe Illustrator files should have all [unchanging] text converted to outlines.

Adobe InDesign files must be properly packaged to include all fonts used in the document.



Bleed

Include at least a 1/8" bleed where possible, and at least a 1" bleed for graphics to be installed.



Size & Scale

Create your art at 100% whenever possible and have all links at 150 ppi. If reduction is necessary for file size, please create your layout at 50% or 25% of the final size.

If your art is at 50% or 25% and has linked raster files (i.e. TIFF, PSD, EPS), they should be at 300 ppi (50%) and 600 ppi (25%) to print at high quality.

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