

# File Preparation

## Accepted Programs

Files created with current versions of (Mac or PC):

- InDesign
- Illustrator
- PhotoShop

## LIMITED ACCEPTANCE

Files created with:

- Microsoft Publisher (*only if converted to .pdf*)
- Microsoft PowerPoint (*only if converted to .pdf*)
- Microsoft Word (*only if converted to .pdf*)

## Pre-Design Checklist

PAGE LAYOUT:

- We can create a template to your specs *before* you start your design.

SENDING ARTWORK AS A .PDF FILE:

- High-resolution (print/press quality) please. Include .125 bleed on each side as needed. Inaccurate files, low-quality graphics will cause delays.

SENDING LAYOUT FILES from the "Native" Program:

- Collect all elements: use "Package" or "Collect for Output" in program.
- FONTS: include both printer and screen fonts.
- in Illustrator files, convert fonts to outlines.
- IMAGES: *No RGB/72 dpi web images!* use hi-res, 300 dpi CMYK or grayscale
- scans/line art: 1200 dpi, bitmap images
- in Illustrator files, convert type to outlines.
- save as: .psd, .jpg or .tif format
- GRAPHICS: vector (outline) art, convert all fonts to outlines
- use spot/PMS, CMYK, or grayscale, not RGB
- save in .eps format

INK COLORS:

- Spot color - use Spot/PMS (Pantone®) colors
- Four color process (full color) - use CMYK
- for large black areas (not fonts) use a rich black cyan 60% magenta 40% yellow 40% black 100%
- avoiding "Blues that look Purple" refer to the Pantone® 4-Color Process Guide. Choose a formula with 30% more cyan than magenta.

## Sending Your Files:

- (1) Check that artwork and layout matches the specs quoted
  - Follow Pre-Design Checklist
- (2) Compress files (.zip) before sending
- (3) Email or Upload files
  - include job name in subject line
  - reference contact name
  - reference quote number
  - Email SMALL files (under 10 MB)
  - Upload LARGE files:  
[www.wordsprint.com/servicecenter/send\\_file.html](http://www.wordsprint.com/servicecenter/send_file.html)



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276-228-6608 Wytheville phone

276-228-2584 fax

540-382-9111 Blacksburg phone

## AVOID ERRORS AND DELAYS IN YOUR JOB:

- Proofread and test print your files: print color separations. Make a mock-up, print out a copy at 100%, cut it out and fold -- does your copy fall on the correct panels? Additional charges apply if we must modify your files.  
***We are not responsible for errors in supplied files.***