

DIGITAL IMAGING FILE GUIDELINES

COMPATIBLE APPLICATIONS:

We have the ability to accept files from the following applications (or earlier versions) in their native format

- Illustrator CS5 (.ai)
- Quark Xpress 6.0 (.qxd)
- Adobe Acrobat (.pdf) *
- Photoshop CS5 (.psd)
- Corel Draw 11 (.cdr)
- InDesign CS5 (.indd)

*- .pdf must be saved with "Preserve Illustrator Editing Capabilities" and "Embed all fonts" checked
(banding and clipped images will occur if this is not done)

GRAPHIC ELEMENTS:

- **FONTS / TEXT** - All fonts should be converted to curves or outlines. Converting fonts will prevent a font substitution and lessen the chances of printing with the wrong font. Include fonts if the file has large areas of text.
- **SCALE** of file should be at 100% or at 10% of actual size. Please indicate the actual size and scale of file.
- **TRANSPARENCIES or FILTERS** that are used in Illustrator sometimes create unknown printing results. Use with caution.
- **BITMAP** (photographic) images should be no less than 100PPI **at actual size**. If the quality of the bitmap is poor, the quality of the final output will be poor.
- **DO NOT EMBED BITMAP IMAGES**. Please link all bitmap images and include all bitmap images as **support files***. If bitmap images are embedded and are not included as support files it may result in a poor reproduction.

- *Support Files (Bitmaps):**
- **.EPS** (save Photoshop .eps with "JPEG maximum quality" encoding).
 - **.JPG** (saved with highest quality setting)
 - **.TIF** (saved with LZW compression if file size is greater than 250MB.)

COLOUR:

- It is important to understand that digital presses automatically convert Pantone & RGB colours to CMYK.
- Files supplied to us can be in CMYK (with any pantone#'s noted), RGB (with profiles embedded).
- A CMYK composite quality printout, original photos and/or PMS colours must be supplied in order for us to match your desired colours.

DIGITAL MEDIA:

- CD, DVD, FTP - (<http://upload.ampcomfg.com>) or EMAIL - (attachments under 5MB)

Compressing your files may make file transfer easier and will lessen the likelihood of file corruption (.zip, .sit, .rar)

- Ship files to: Ampco Manufacturers Inc. Phone: 604.472.3800
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***Art submitted that does not fall within the above guidelines may result in additional art charge.
Please call us if you have questions or concerns regarding the preparation of your files.**