

DATA PREPARATION FOR DIGITAL PRINTING

DATA FORMAT

Preferred: PDF Acrobat 5 (PDF 1.4 ompatibility) to Acrobat 8 (PDF 1.7)

Also acceptable: by agreement

DATA STRUCTURE

Format: **1:1** or **1:10**

Format over 500 cm: 1:10

Trim box:

• on size (no trim marks needed)

Bleed box:

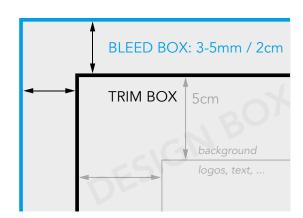
- 3-5 mm per side (rigid material, vinyl, ...)
- 2 cm per side (for textile with silicone / rubber lips)

Design box:

- for edge reinforcement with eyelets (pvc, mash)
- 5 cm from trim box
- inside: logos, text and elements you don't wan't to be covered by reinforcement and eyelets
- outside: background and all other elements

COLORS

- all colors must be in CMYK (Pantone, RAL and HKS colors can only be produced approximately)
- data created in RGB/Pantone can be converted to CMYK (payable service)
- overprint: OFF
- some Pantone tones can only be partially reproduced in digital printing
- spot colors can be simulated, certain colors can not be produced or can be only approximately (gold, silver, neon ...)
- deep black: CMYK 60/50/50/100
- • for color matching with Proof open data is fundamentally necessary (payable service)
- use the following profile: ISOcoated_v2_eci.icc in color managed workflow



SPECIAL

- vector data please convert fonts and logos in curves or paths
- avoid complex transparency
- remove unnecessary pages, page elements, and not used files
- create any desired design on a separate page in ordered size
- gradients appear smoother when in pixel-oriented programs such as Photoshop

WHITE COLOR PRINT

- For **white color print**, you must define the desired area as a **spot color**. Please rename swatch as "White".
- For products printed with white color and prepared in Photoshop, you must define the desired area as **spot channel**. Please clearly identify the channel as "White" and save the file as .pdf with "Preserve Photoshop Editing Capabilities" enabled

CUTTING

- if the product is contour cut or milled, you must define the shape as contour line (stroke) in a special color (spot or 100% magenta)
- please rename stroke spot color as "Cut" or "Cut Contour"
- contour line (stroke) must be continuous/concluded
- no dashed line!
- Vynil cut:
 - only vector designs can be cuted
 - texts must be converted to paths (no duplicate paths)
 - smallest element is 10 mm

FILE NAME

- file names can not contain special characters (this applies to Mac and PC files)
- permitted characters, besides letters and numbers, are only the connective and underscore
- avoid "novels" in the file name
- write the ordered size and number of copies in filename (_1x_100x200cm_file-name.pdf)

- ALWAYS CHECK FILES BEFORE SENDING -