GREEN ZONE PRINT CHECKLIST



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Common "Green

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page sizes, such

as "Letter"

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"A4", easily fit on an

18" x 12" sheet

1. COLOUR AND RESOLUTION

Ensure the following for high-quality colour and resolution:

- All individual images, illustrations, and tints are CMYK
- All black text and line work are single colour black
- File resolution is 300 ppi
- Placed image resolutions are 140 ppi or higher

2. PAGE LAYOUT

Ensure the following page layout specifications are met:

- Document "setup" to the final document page size, called the "Trim Box"
- Elements designed to bleed extend 1/8th inch beyond the Trim Box

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Preview OK Cancel

- Page size and orientation are consistent throughout document
 - All critical text and graphics are placed within the "Safe Zone*"

3. SAVE DOCUMENT

Save your document as a PDF/X-1a file to ensure the following:

- All layers and transparencies are flattened during PDF creation
- All fonts (including system fonts) are embedded
- PDFs are not password protected, encrypted, nor contain OPI comments, annotations, Java scripts, custom halftone screens, or transfer functions
- Additionally, save PDF as "loose-pages," not impose as spreads (e.g. a 4-page letter size brochure has four individual pages in the PDF)

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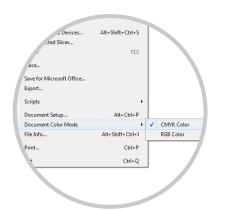
Elements designed to print to the very edge of the trim box must extend ("bleed") into this Bleed Box



PRESS-READY BEST PRACTICES Ensuring High-Quality Print Results

A press-ready file is free of any issues which would interfere with the successful production of your document through Mimeo PrintX. Please use the following guidelines when creating your PrintX press-ready PDF using Adobe Creative Suite 5.5, Microsoft Office 2010 and Quark Xpress.

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