LAYOUT Guidelines On Motif Design and Print Data Compilation

Please keep in mind the following important points when compiling the data:

- For the layout design, we will be happy to provide you with the required outline data as a PDF template. Please let us know in case you prefer a different data format.
- Please provide us with complete and binding data in 1:1 original size for position, text and colour.
- Pay attention to an accurate definition of the colours and halftone values (e.g. Pantone 248 C or 50% Pantone 248 C).
- Ideally, your data will be supplemented by a preview PDF file for verification and/or a binding proof. Ordinary hard copies printed on a conventional office-printer cannot be used.
- If HKS or Pantone colour numbers are specified, printing will take place with the currently valid colour values. Customised special colours are printed on request.
- To protect them from changes, all fonts should basically be converted to paths/vectors.
- If a function is not available, it is compulsory to completely make available all elements used (pictures, fonts, etc.) (for instance Adobe InDesign: Package, Preflight+Package)
- Selected font sizes may not be smaller than 6pt and line width not less than 0,2 mm.
- Bled-off motifs only after prior agreement; please create 3 mm trim allowance.
- Keep min. distance of 5 mm from motif to material edges, trimmed edges and creasing lines (except for sheet-fed offset printing).
- To ensure a perfect printing quality, use images with min. 300 dpi, ideally 600 dpi.
- Line art with min. 600 dpi, ideally 1,200 dpi or vector data.
- Picture and graphical elements used must be embedded, where necessary enclose an additional separate copy
- Parts of motifs that are not required must generally be completely removed, not just covered for example
- Do not use highly compressed or low resolution image data (e.g. GIF, PNG, small JPG, pictures from web pages).
- Create print data in CMYK colour mode; do not use RGB mode.
- Always create spot colours (HKS, Pantone, etc.) separately as solid/full-tone colours.
- MS Office files or similar will not be accepted or will possibly be reworked to ensure printability at cost.
- Associated files must be created in a directory.
- Always prepare e-mail attachments by means of a compression programme (e.g. ZIP) to avoid possible coding/decoding errors of single files caused by e-mail programmes.
- Submit all data in copy only. All provedid data without repeat order will be irrevocably deleted after a period of 12 months. Longtime archiving on request.
- The customer has to check himself sender's instructions and postage-paid impression with regard to up-to-dateness and specifications of the respective service providers. These will not be checked by us.
- Restrictions of the motif design with regard to area coverage and motif bleed at the edges apply in particular for subsequent printing on finished goods: Large-scale motifs must be avoided to minimise a possible build-up and transfer of printing ink or a set-off of the printing ink. Please feel free to contact us to discuss your design requirements.
- The data provided we use to compile a PDF file for verification and approval with regard to design, size, position, text and colour spectrum. This approved master copy will then be binding for production.
- In case of transmission of data which deviate from the above guidelines and lead to additional work, any costs arising for postprocessing ordered will be separately calculated at cost. The costs for data setup and changes will be invoiced separately.
- By request, we also compile available individual data into an overall layout. Calculation at cost.
- We will be happy to offer further layout work on request.

Our shared aim

Please compile your data with due care and clarity. Only printing files that have been thoroughly prepared guarantee a maximum in process reliability when preparing for printing and maximum quality for the print result - our shared aim.

Thank you very much for your support.

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Preferred applications and data formats

Operating system:	MAC OS X
Data formats:	PDF, AI, EPS
Applications:	Adobe Illustrator CC, InDesign CC, PhotoShop CC ESKO ArtPro further applications or versions on request
Possibly transfer of data:	e-mail attachment FTP server upload Download link USB removable storage medium CD-/DVD-ROM

Example:

