Précigraph

PREPARING YOUR DOCUMENTS

We recommend that you provide us with high resolution pdf files generated from the program in which the document was created. The parameters for the creation of PDFs from Adobe suite can be downloaded here. Please install in your Adobe Suite software and choose Précigraph pdf to generate your pdf.

In case you provide source files, the folder must contain :
- the source file
- a folder containing all images
- a folder containing the fonts used
- a low resolution pdf that will serve as a reference for the control.

Formatting your document :
- Crop and fold marks 3mm away from the final size.
- Allow 3 mm bleed.
- Pdf with all pages flowing in one single document, no double spreads.
- Keep only the colours that will be printed.
- If your document contains spot colours (Pantone) which will be converted to CMYK for the final printing, our workflow will handle the conversion automatically. In all cases keep the original names of colours.
- Die cutting, hot foiling, embossing, spot varnishing: these elements must be present in their final position in a clearly named colour and set to overprint. In case of a spot varnish text, fonts must be converted to paths (outlines).
- In the case of die cutting/creasing/perforation, the path must include different styles for each type (continuous line for die cutting, hatched for creasing and dotted for perforation).
- We recommend to keep a safety margin of 2-3mm inside the page for texts and graphic elements so that they are not cropped or caught in the binding.
- We recommend that you make sure that your images have a resolution of 300 dpi. At lower resolutions, the quality of the images reproduced could be impaired and be pixelated.
- If your pdf files contain RGB images, please make sure that original colour profiles are kept, the conversion to CMYK will then be optimal. Otherwise the default profile will be used.

Black and bold :
For texts and flat grey tints printed in offset, avoid greys made of CMYK, rather use a black tint.
For digital printing, use instead a Pantone reference for best results. For texts and borders in black, use black to 100%, never CMYK.
For a rich black background, we recommend 100%K, 50%C, 30%M, 30%Y. Do not put 100% black backgrounds over the images or or graphic elements because this will cause a more intense black background on the overlapping part.

Glued square back book :
Please contact us for the thickness of the spine.
In case of continuous images between the inside cover and first or last page, remember that 6mm will be hidden by the side glue in the bookbinding.

Leaflets :
- Gate folds : the inside flaps must be smaller by 2mm.
- Accordion fold : all flaps in the same size.
- Roll fold : each inner flap smaller by 2mm

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