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# PRINT PREFLIGHT CHECKLIST

### **Client File Check:**

□ PDF or hard proof?

Cheff File Check.
☐ Client provided files:
<ul> <li>InDesign: Verify you have packaged the files properly providing all links and fonts. If not, see pages 4-5 on How to Package INDD files.</li> </ul>
Illustrator: All images must be embedded. Fonts must be supplied to make any copy edits. See pages 6-7 on How to Package Illustrator files.
□ <b>Photoshop:</b> Layers should remain as un-flattened, fonts must be supplied.
PDF: Saved as High Quality PDF/X-4:2010 format is preferred. Print ready PDF's should include crops and bleeds at least 1/8" and all fonts should be embedded. See pages 8-9 on How to Export a PDF file.
$\square$ All graphics and images will be converted to CMYK for printing 4 color jobs
□ Proper image resolution for all images, preferably 300dpi
□ Vector logos
□ Bleeds, at least 1/8"
$\square$ Margins, at least 1/16" from edge of sheet and folds, preferably 1/8"
$\square$ Folds, are the proper folds setup for final folding size
$\hfill\Box$ Crossovers, check that there are no concerns of split type and line up
$\square$ Page numbers, are sequential
□ Black text at 100%
$\square$ Solid blacks should be built to a rich build of C:30 M:20 Y:10 K:100
$\square$ Coatings, should be set as a spot color and set to overprint
$\hfill\Box$ Dielines, should be set as a spot color and set to overprint
$\hfill \square$ Mailings, does the art conform to current mailing standards
Color Requirements:
$\square$ Are there any known color standards or branding guidelines to adhere to?
Are we matching to a previously printed sample or match print? Please provide previous sample or PMS equivalent to be called out.
Proofing Requirements:



## LARGE FORMAT PREFLIGHT CHECKLIST

#### **Client File Check:**

☐ Provide all working files	, support files and	fonts, if	not sending	a PDF	as fina
artwork. PDF files must	be saved in layers	•			

- ☐ Any working files must include all fonts and images.
- ☐ Print ready PDFs must have images embedded. Fonts must be supplied to make any copy edits.
- ☐ Proper image resolution for all raster graphics

<b>Viewing Distance</b>	Resolution		
2 ft	200 dpi		
5 ft	150 dpi		
10 ft	100 dpi		
50 ft	50 dpi		

- ☐ Bleeds (preferably 1/4")
- ☐ Supplied cut path if it is a custom/contour cut graphic, on a separate layer.
- ☐ If printing with a white spot, a spot layer has been added, or clear notation as to what will be printing in white.

### **Output Requirements:**

☐ File size should be less than 2GB whenever possible. Down-res graphics when necessary to create smaller files.

### **Color Requirements:**

- ☐ Are there any known color standards or branding guidelines to adhere to?
- ☐ Are we matching to a previously printed sample or match print? Please provide previous sample or PMS equivalent to be called out.

### **Proofing Requirements:**

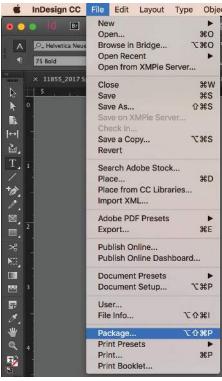
□ PDF or hard proof?



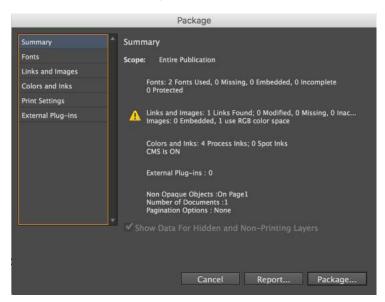
### PACKAGING INDESIGN FILES

### **How to Package InDesign Files for Thysse**

- ☐ Open your .indd file in InDesign.
- ☐ If possible, resolve any errors concerning missing links or fonts.
- ☐ Go to File/Package.

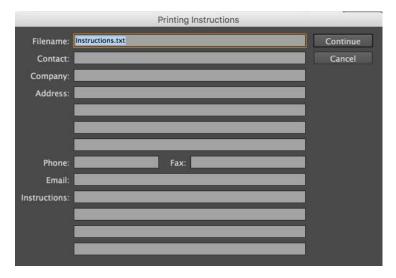


☐ Click the Package button at the bottom of the Summary window.

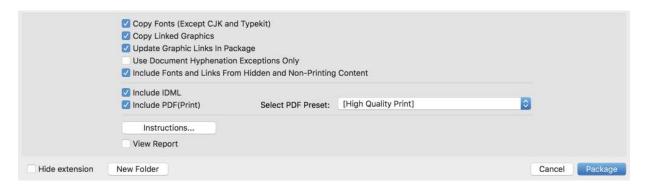




☐ Click continue on the "Printing Instructions" window.



- ☐ Browse to where you'd like to create the package folder (usually the desktop) and enter the name of the folder.
- ☐ Make sure that the "Copy Fonts," "Copy Linked Graphics," "Update Graphic Links in Package," and "Include Fonts and Links from Hidden...." are all checked.



- ☐ Click the package button.
- ☐ Find the new folder that InDesign created and verify that it contains copies of all required files.
- □ Right-click the folder and choose "Compress" (Mac) or "Send to ZIP" (Windows, might be something different but similar depending on what software you have installed). This will zip it up.
- ☐ If the file size is less than 25MB, you can probably safely e-mail it. If it's more, please use our ftp on thysse.com



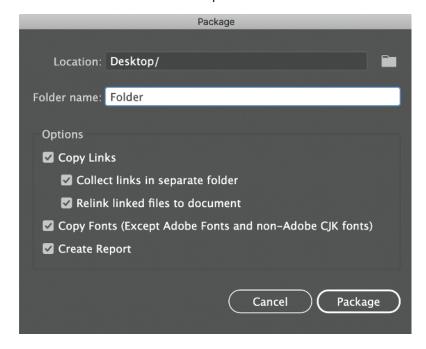
### **PACKAGING ILLUSTRATOR FILES**

### **How to Package Illustrator Files for Thysse**

- Open your file Illustrator.
- ☐ If possible, resolve any errors concerning missing links or fonts.
- Go to File/Package.

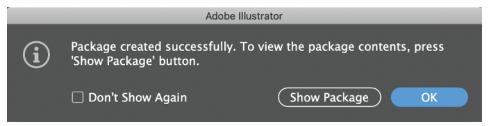


- Choose a location and folder name (if not defaulted to desired).
- ☐ Make sure all of the options are checked and choose Package.





☐ Find the new folder that InDesign created and verify that it contains copies of all required files.



- □ Right-click the folder and choose "Compress" (Mac) or "Send to ZIP" (Windows, might be something different but similar depending on what software you have installed). This will zip it up.
- $\ \square$  If the file size is less than 25MB, you can probably safely e-mail it. If it's more, please use our ftp on thysse.com



### EXPORTING PDF FILES

#### **Exporting PDF Files for Thysse:**

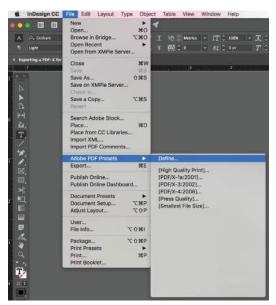
☐ Contact your Customer Service Representative or Sales Representative to request our custom Adobe Preset file.

#### **Before Exporting Your PDF:**

- ☐ The document is built to size. Floating your document with trim marks on an oversize page won't work with imposition software.
- ☐ Do not convert brand spot colors to process, leave them as spot.
- ☐ The file is built 1-up: 12 business cards is a 12-page InDesign file.
- ☐ There is at least 1/8" bleed on all sides; for large format jobs, at least 1/4". Specify bleed in Document Setup.

#### **How to load the Thysse Adobe Preset:**

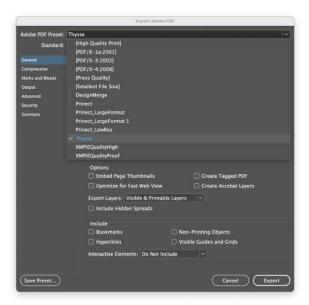
- ☐ Load the *Thysse.joboptions* preset
- ☐ In InDesign choose File/Adobe PDF Presets/Define...
- ☐ Choose Load and select the saved preset file







- ☐ When ready to Export a PDF for print choose the *Thysse* preset from the drop down list. All of our preferred settings are saved in this preset.
- ☐ Then Export.





☐ The preset will now be available in all other Adobe applications.