

SUPPORTED AND RECOMMENDED DESIGN SOFTWARE

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Below is a list of supported design software. When projects are set up properly in these programs there is little chance the project will fail to print.

PAGE LAYOUT (FOR SETTING TYPE AND CONSTRUCTION OF DOCUMENTS)

Quark Express: 4, 5 & 6 (Mac or Windows OS)

PageMaker: 6.0, 6.5 & 7 (Mac or Windows OS)

InDesign: (Mac or PC)

IMAGE EDITING APPLICATIONS (USED FOR EDITING PIXEL BASED IMAGES)

Photoshop (Mac or Windows OS)

TIFF files exported from any other image editing application

DRAWING APPLICATIONS (USED TO CREATE AND/OR EDIT VECTOR BASED GRAPHICS)

Illustrator (Mac or Windows OS)

Freehand (Mac or Windows OS)

OTHER

Adobe Acrobat PDF files. (These files must be created properly to include embedded fonts and all high resolution images.)

SUPPORTED BUT NOT RECOMMENDED

Corel Draw—While this software is supported, it is not recommended due to inconsistencies in output. Files not created properly using this type of software may result in additional charges. Note: for best possible approach, export Corel files as an EPS with all fonts converted to graphics.

NOT SUPPORTED SOFTWARE

Printing using these applications is unpredictable. Generally they increase normal production times, thus incurring additional cost and less than optimal results. The software was designed for laser print output or display only. They were not designed to support high resolution output to imagesetters.

Microsoft Word

Word Perfect

Microsoft PowerPoint

Microsoft Excel

Microsoft Publisher

WHAT TO DO IF YOU HAVE USED NON-SUPPORTED APPLICATIONS

If you have a document in one of these programs, you have two options: 1) have VMW recreate the document in a supported application, 2) use Adobe Acrobat to convert these documents into PDF files. To create a PDF file, you must have the full version of Acrobat. Also, Acrobat has to be set up properly to create "Print Quality" PDF files.

REMEMBER

No matter what program(s) you use, make sure you send all supporting documentation including: FONTS and GRAPHICS as well as a current composite and separated prints of your document.

FYI: MarkzWare makes a program specifically for 'preflighting' your document before delivery to your printing company. Highly recommended and can save a lot of time and money.



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