QuarkXpress 7 - PostScript Setting

Although QuarkXpress is capable of exporting PDF files in one step, but for the most successful result, we recommend to create the PostScript files from QuarkXpress before using Acrobat Distiller to generate PDF files. These steps will allow a chance to view a flattened result.



Step 1: Quark Preferences

- *This Postscript method uses a feature introduced in Quark 8, which streamlines the PostScript process from previous versions of Quark. To use this feature you must change a Quark preference.
- *Go to Quark Preferences from the Quark XPress menu.

Step 2:

- *Select PDF from the list. Notice that by default PDF Workflow is set to "Direct to PDF". Change this option to "Create PostScript file for Later Distilling".
- *If you have a workflow set up to automatically Distill PostScript files or you want your files to end up in the same folder all the time, select the "Use Watched Folder" option, then click on Browse to select the destination folder.
- *Set Virtual Memory to 100 MB. According to Quark documentation you may need to increase this value for complex jobs.
- *Click on the OK button to save preference changes.

Step 3: Turn on all Quark XTensions *From Utilities menu select XTensions Manager...



Step 4:

*Ensure that all XTensions are enabled. It has been found that if Custom Bleeds is turned off, the options to set bleeds are not available.

Step 5:

*Go to Edit menu, then select Output Style ...

Step 6: *Click on the New button and select PDF.

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Step 8:

*Select Meta Data from the list in the lower left. Empty all fields.

Step 9:

*Select Hyperlinks from the list in the lower left. All fields will be grayed out. Unclick the button "Include Hyperlinks.



Step 10:

Step 7:

with the following set up.

*Name the PDF Style appropriately.

*Select Compression from the list in the lower left. Set options as shown.

•Note that we do not require submission of files that confirm

to the PDF/X standards. Instead, create a new PDF style

Step 11:

- *In the lower left field, select Color. Then set the option as shown.
- *"Composite CMYK and Spot" is recommended for all jobs.
 *Use the setup options "Composite CMYK" and "Grayscale" with caution because they may not convert colors reliably. We recommend correctly defining colors in Quark and in placed graphics files before printing.

Step 12:

*Select Fonts from the list in the lower left. Set option as shown.

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Step 13:

*Select Registration Marks from the list in the lower left. Set options as shown.

Step 14:

*Select Bleed from the list in the lower left. Set options as shown.

Step 15:

*Select Transparency from the list in the lower left. Set options as shown.

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Step 16:

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*Select JDF from the list in the lower left. Set options as shown. *Click on the OK button. Step 17:

*Click on the save button.

*This completes the Output Styles creation step. To create a PS file continue on to the next step.



Step 18:

- *Ensure that images are linked and fonts are installed at this step before continuing. If you are using layers and wish to control which ones are output, you should hide layers you don't want before output.
- *From the file menu select Export > Layout as PDF...

Step 19:

*Name the PostScript file, select its destination as needed. *Select the PDF Style which created previously called New

PDF Style from the popup menu.

*Click on the Save button.

*A progress dialog displys until the file creation is completed.