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## Upload Pages In This Order

| FRONT COVER | INSIDE FRONT COVER | $\begin{aligned} & \text { INSIDE } \\ & \text { PAGE } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { INSIDE } \\ & \text { PAGE } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { INSIDE } \\ & \text { PAGE } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { INSIDE } \\ & \text { PAGE } \end{aligned}$ | INSIDE BACK COVER | $\begin{aligned} & \text { BACK } \\ & \text { COVER } \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |

## To Calculate Page Count in a Document:

Set up numbered pages as single pages

- In the image above, Page 1 is the Front Cover
- Page 2 is Inside the Front Cover
- Pages 3-6 are all inside pages
- Page 7 is the Inside of the Back Cover
- Page 8 is the Back Cover

The example below shows what order an 8 page PDF document should be in before submitting your project:


## Saddle-Stitch Bound

## Saddle-Stitch Printing

Saddle-stitching is the same binding that the catalogs and magazines you get in the mail tend to have. It is two staples nested in the spine of the folded piece, securing the sheets together. It can go along the left edge or on top depending on how the project is planned out. Saddle-stitching is great for booklets, calendars, photo-books and programs.

## Number of Pages Accepted

We can print saddle-stitch orders that have 8 pages - 96 pages, though we require them be in
 4 page increments. In other words, your document (counting front and back cover) should be one of the following page counts:
$8|12| 16|20| 24|28| 32 \mid 36$
$40|44| 48|52| 56|60| 64 \mid 68$
$72|76| 80|84| 88|92| 96$

## Page Creep

When saddle-stitching, there is a term called "page creep," which is when the inner pages stick out farther than the pages closer to the outer cover. This usually happens when there is a large number of pages or thicker paper. A booklet with fewer pages will most likely not have to worry about creep because the trimming may not be as noticeable as with higher page numbers.

Diagram A below shows how the pages stick out (creep) from the book and Diagram B shows how the pages are trimmed after being stitched.


Diagram A


Diagram B

## Spiral/Wire-O Bound

## Spiral Bound Printing

Spiral bound printing is a coil of a plastic continuous loop passing through a row of punched holes at the edge of the printed piece in a spiral. The binding can be on the left or top of the project depending on how the project is designed. Spiral bound coils are available in different colors and sizes. You cannot print on the spine or add or remove pages. Spiral bound book printing is great for manuals, directories, annual reports, calendars and many other types of products. Spiral binding can be up to $23 / 4 "$ thick.


Spiral Bound


Wire-O Bound

## Number of Pages Accepted

We can print spiral and wire-o orders that have 8 pages - 64 pages and we require them be in 2 page increments.

## Perfect Bound Printing Explained

Printed sheets are gathered into a book, one on top of the other and the edges are ground off and the book is glued into a wrap around cover and then trimmed to size. This type of perfect bind creates a square spine. They provide an attractive looking durable book. They do not lay flat. Perfect bound book printing is great for directories, magazines, manuals, year books or any type of booklet that has many pages.


## Number of Pages Accepted

The minimum number of pages is 40 pages to $2^{\prime \prime}$ thick maximum. 2 page increments are required when ordering.

Since perfect bound books are glued at the spine, it makes it harder to see or read content near the spine (see image on the right). To help avoid this, we recommend you have a $1 / 2$ " ( 0.5 ") margin on the binding side of all pages, including inside cover pages. Smaller books may need less margin while larger books may need more.


# Printer Spread vs. Reader Spread 

Reader spreads show consecutive pages in two page spreads. They are in the correct order for someone to read the document.

Printer spreads are not in consecutive page order, they are in proper order so that when the document is printed, trimmed and assembled, all the pages appear consecutively. After receiving your files, we send your files to the printer in this order.


At PrintingCenterUSA, we prefer that you upload your PDFs as single pages (see page 3). If you happen to use reader spreads or printer spreads, let your Customer Service Representative know which spread you used so we can ensure that your final printed document is in the correct page order.

## Other Helpful Resources

## Check Your Documents Using Our Blank Templates

Click the links below to view and/or download templates to compare your document to.

| Booklets | DVD Covers |
| :--- | :--- |
| Brochures | Envelopes |
| Business Cards <br> Calendars | $\underline{\text { Flyers }}$ |
| Catalogs | Greeting Cards |
| Door Hangers | Magazines |

## Professional Design Help

Do you still need help with your files or are you crunched for time? Contact one of the professional graphic designers on the right to ensure you have the correct file requirements!

## Using Our Online Design Tool

By using our online design tool to create your project, you can ensure that your files have the correct bleed, image resolution, document size and other file requirements.

Just select your product, upload your photos, drag and drop them into place, add your text and our tool will do the rest! Try out our online design tool today and make your printed product pop!

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## Other Helpful Resources

## How To Re-Upload Files

## 1 Online Order

1a Go to our website \& login to your account

1b Click: Orders > Order \#

1c Under File Upload Center

- Click Add files... to add your new files
- Click Start Upload



## 2 Offline Order

2a Navigate to your email from your Customer Service Representative

2b In the email under the CSR's signature

- Click: link to their Dropbox

Customer Service Rep
Account Services

$1179^{\text {th }} \mathrm{St} \mathrm{N}$
Great Falls, MT 59401
800-995-1555

Dropbox to upload files
http://file.printingcenterusa.com/Default.aspx?u=CSR-NAME

2c Fill out the form and upload your files - *Job number must be included with any file upload

Upload the files for your order to CSR

FULL NAME:
YOUR EMAIL:
SUBJECT:

MESSAGE:
Here are my new files for order \#475624

Drag \& Drop to add files or click the Add files... button

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