

2025 Media Planner PRINT AD SPECIFICATIONS & DEADLINES

PRINT AD SPECS

| MAGAZINE TRIM SIZE 9 x 10.875* | NON-BLEED AD SIZES | | BLEED AD SIZES | |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------|-------|----------------|--------|
| | WIDTH | DEPTH | WIDTH | DEPTH |
| two-page spread | 16.25 | 10 | 18.25 | 11.125 |
| single full page | 8 | 10 | 9.25 | 11.125 |
| 2/3 vertical | 5.1875 | 10 | — | — |
| 1/2 horizontal | 8 | 5 | — | — |
| 1/2 vertical | 4 | 10 | — | — |
| 1/3 vertical | 2.5625 | 10 | — | — |
| 1/3 square | 5.1875 | 4.825 | — | — |

*sizes in inches

DIGITAL SPECS

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| Home Page Photo Gallery Ad | 356 x 270* |
| Leaderboard Ad | 970 x 250* |
| Newsletter Ad | 970 x 250* |
| Sponsored Content | Contact account manager for guidelines |

*sizes in pixels and Image sizes should be 150KB or below.

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| ISSUE | CLOSING DATE | MAIL DATE |
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| FEBRUARY/MARCH | 12/04/24 | 12/30/24 |
| APRIL/MAY | 2/04/25 | 3/03/25 |
| JUNE/JULY | 4/09/25 | 5/05/25 |
| AUGUST/SEPTEMBER | 6/04/25 | 7/07/25 |
| OCTOBER/NOVEMBER | 8/06/25 | 8/29/25 |
| DECEMBER/JANUARY | 10/08/25 | 11/03/25 |
| ANNUAL DIRECTORY | 11/15/24 | 12/30/24 |

THESE DATES ARE FOR PRESS-READY MATERIALS ONLY.
If your ad requires any production work,
we must receive materials one week prior to the dates indicated.

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Preferred File Format and Requirements: PDF/X1a or Press-Ready PDF. All digital data must conform to SWOP specifications. Only one ad per file. All of the high-resolution images and fonts must be embedded. Do not apply style attributes to fonts. Images must be SWOP (CMYK or grayscale, **no RGB colors** and no spot colors accepted unless noted on insertion order), TIFF, or EPS format (no JPEG or JPEG filter) must be at least 300 ppi.

Do not embed ICC Profiles within files. Total area density should not exceed SWOP standard 300% TAC. Do not nest EPS files within other EPS files. All required image trapping must be included in the file.

Live Matter Safety: Keep important illustrations and type at least 1/4" in from Trim edges and 3/8" from backbone.

Color Ads: All ads must be designed in **CMYK** mode. *Spot Pantone (PMS) colors are available only at an additional charge; contact Account Manager for details.*

Trapping: All text placed over dark backgrounds must be set to "Knockout." Advertisers are responsible for setting all trapping values in their files.

Fonts: Color and reverse type smaller than 10 point cannot be guaranteed perfect registration and are not recommended.

Tips: 4/C-black, DO NOT set at 100C, 100M, 100Y, 100K. We recommend 60C, 40M, 40Y and 100K for rich black. When in doubt, use a standard 1/C, 100% Black.

PLEASE NOTE: Advertisers will be charged for any work required to update advertiser-provided files to meet our requirements. Any corrections are billed back to advertiser at publisher's cost.

We offer ad design services. Prices for these services will be quoted on a per-job basis. Please contact your Account Manager to obtain cost information and specifications for ad make-up services.

For additional information about our requirements, please contact the *Design NJ* Production Department at dnjads@designnewjersey.com.

Contact your Account Manager for more information.

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SPECIFICATION CHECKLIST

The most common file pitfalls can be avoided by adhering to the specifications outlined below. Even if you are familiar with the various pitfalls, please take a moment to review this checklist prior to sending your advertising materials.

- All high-res images & fonts must be embedded when the PDF OR PDF-X1a file is saved.
- Images must be **CMYK** OR Grayscale only. **TIFF OR EPS at least 300 ppi.**
- DO NOT** nest EPS file into other EPS files. Do not imbed ICC profiles within images.
- Total area density **SHOULD NOT** exceed SWOP 300% TAC (*total area coverage*).
- All image trapping must be included in the file(s).
- Right Reading, portrait mode, 100% size, no rotations.
- Trim, bleed and center marks 1/2" outside trim.
- No marks included in the "live" image area.
- Digital proof (COLOR or BW) that represents the final digital file on a calibrated monitor.
- For Color Guidance on Press:** We recommend that you proof your ad on a monitor that has been accurately calibrated to meet specifications for web offset printing. This will represent how colors will print in the magazine. Printed color guidance proofs are optional.

E-MAIL:

PDF files to
dnjads@designnewjersey.com