



Above spreads are setup as an example of perfect bound & hardcover interiors.

The above example of a color interior spread is built with colored sections representing the different areas and how each are to be treated.

Blue (Bleed) Area / Overall Document Size

To determine the final bleed size of your page use the following equation:

Final Width = Width of book + 0.125" (3 mm) bleed on trim side. *No additional bleed is added to the bind edge.*

Final Height = Height of book + 0.125" (3 mm) bleed on top + 0.125" (3 mm) bleed on bottom.

For example a 6x9" (229x152mm) book will have a final interior size of 6.125" (156 mm) wide x 9.25" (235 mm) tall.

If using a background color or image please take those elements to the edge of the bleed area.

Pink (Safety) Area

A 0.5" (13 mm) margin is recommended inside the trim for color book interiors. For perfect bound and hardcover titles this is in addition to the required 0.125" (3 mm) gutter margin. All headers, footers, page numbers, body text and all non-bleed images need to remain in those margins. Any elements outside of the safety areas are at risk of being trimmed.

We recommend a .125" (3mm) white strip within the trim edge, on the bind side of the page, for perfect bound and hardcover books. Images and background should stop .125" (3mm) inside the trim area of the page.

Red (Trim) Dotted Line

The dotted red line shown above gives an idea of how the book will be trimmed. The book will be trimmed .125" (3 mm) on three sides. The bind side will not be trimmed.