

Ensuring your Document is CMYK

CMYK (Cyan, Magenta, Yellow and Black) are the colors used in the printing process, whereas RGB (Red, Green and Blue) are the colours used by screen displays such as your monitor. Please note that JPEG files are almost always in RGB.

Your document should be created in CMYK mode so that the colors that you see on the screen most closely match the final printed product. If you create your document in RGB, the colors in your printed product may vary slightly. Many of the bright values produced by your monitor cannot be reproduced in print..

How to Check Color Settings in Adobe® Products



InDesign

- Go to the Edit Menu and choose "Color Settings"
- Make sure you are in Working Space: CMYK: 'U.S. Web Coated SWOP) v2'. The RGB value will not affect your design.

To change color settings:

- Go to the Edit Menu and choose "Convert to Profile"
- Change the Destination Space to CMYK: U.S. Web Coated (SWOP) v2' and click OK.



Photoshop

- Go to the Image Menu and choose "Color Mode"
- A check mark will appear next to current color mode
- Select CMYK Color



Illustrator

- Go to the File Menu and choose "Document Color Mode"
- A check mark will appear next to current color mode
- Select CMYK Color