



Print Requirements for PDF
& InDesign Files

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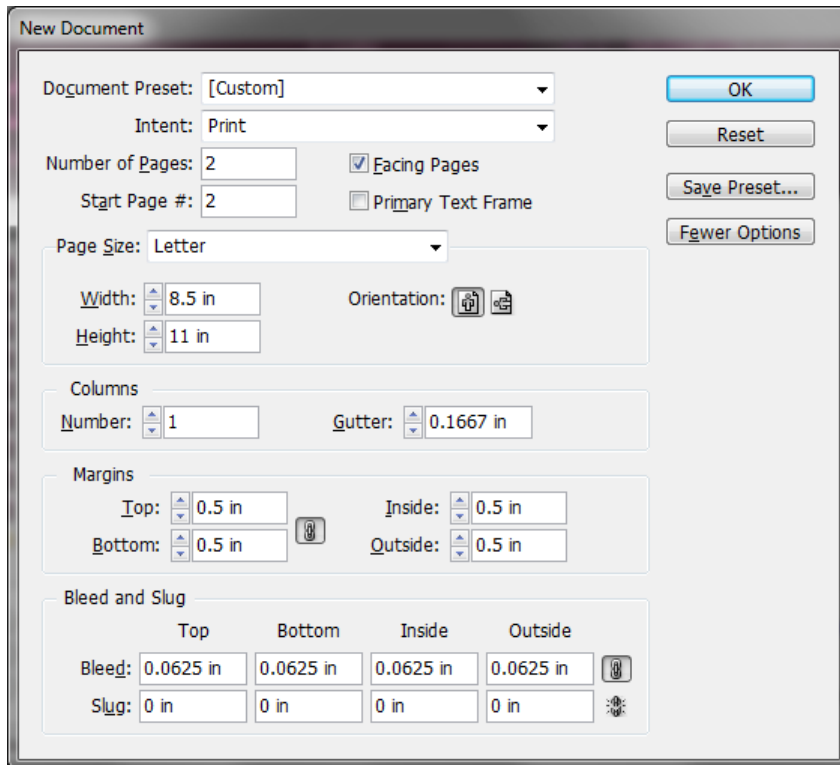
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Page Dimensions

Page files for both softcover and hardcover books should measure 8.5" x 11" with a bleed of .0625" on all edges.

Images that should extend to the edge of the pages should extend all the way to the bleed lines. The files should also have a safe of .5" – set below in the Margins. All text and elements should remain within the margins to ensure that content is not accidentally trimmed during the production process.

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Hardcover Dimensions

Your hardcover file should measure larger than your pages to compensate for the foldover that will wrap around the cover.

Your final dimensions of the cover should measure 19.315" x 12.75" when *including* the .75" foldover on all edges, or 17.815" x 11.15" without the foldover.

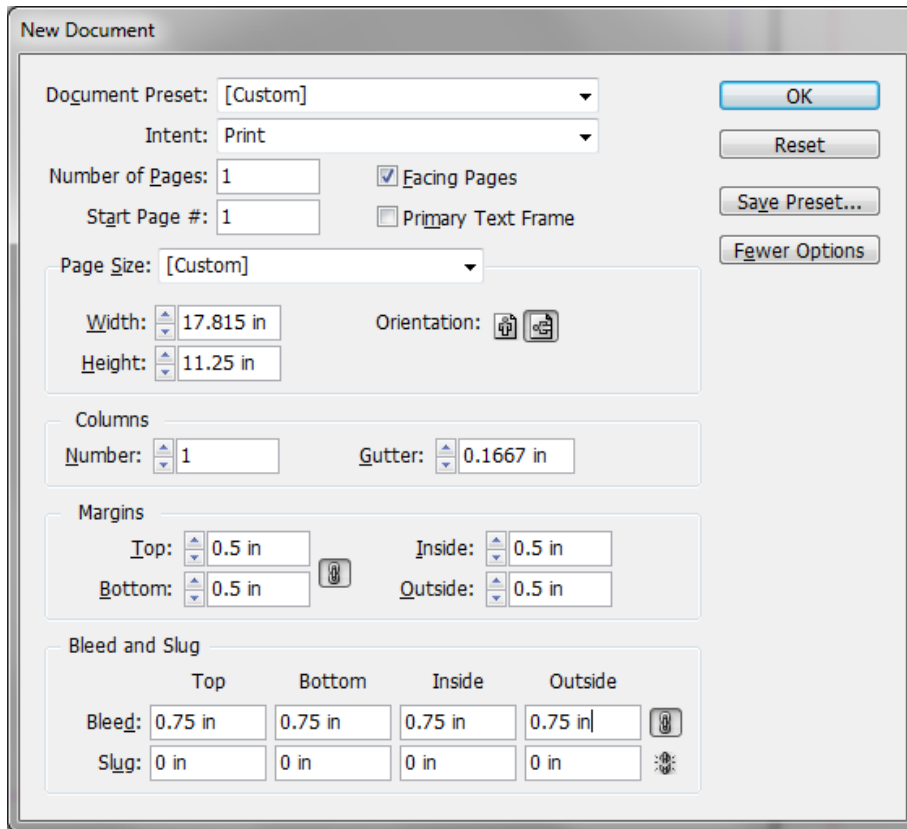
The fine print on how your cover dimensions are calculated are as follows:

Width: 0.75" foldover left + 8.25" back board + 0.50" back hinge + 0.3125" + 0.50" front hinge + 8.25" front board + 0.75" foldover = 19.3125

Height: 0.75" foldover top + 11.25" board height + 0.75" foldover bottom = 12.75"

Do note that the .3125” measurement for your spine may vary depending on the size of your book.

InDesign document settings for a hardcover cover file

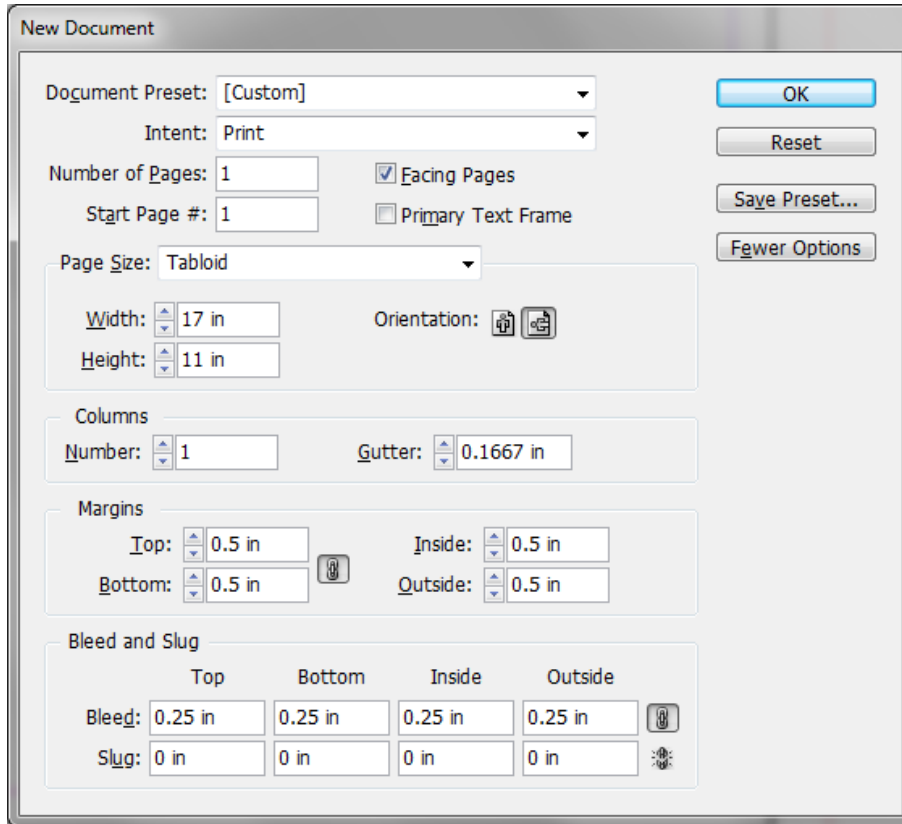


Softcover Dimensions

Your softcover file should measure 17.5” x 11.5” when *including* the .25” bleed on all edges, or 17” x 11” without bleed and should have a safe of .5” – set below in our Margins setting.

These dimensions apply to all perfect bound or saddle stitch books.

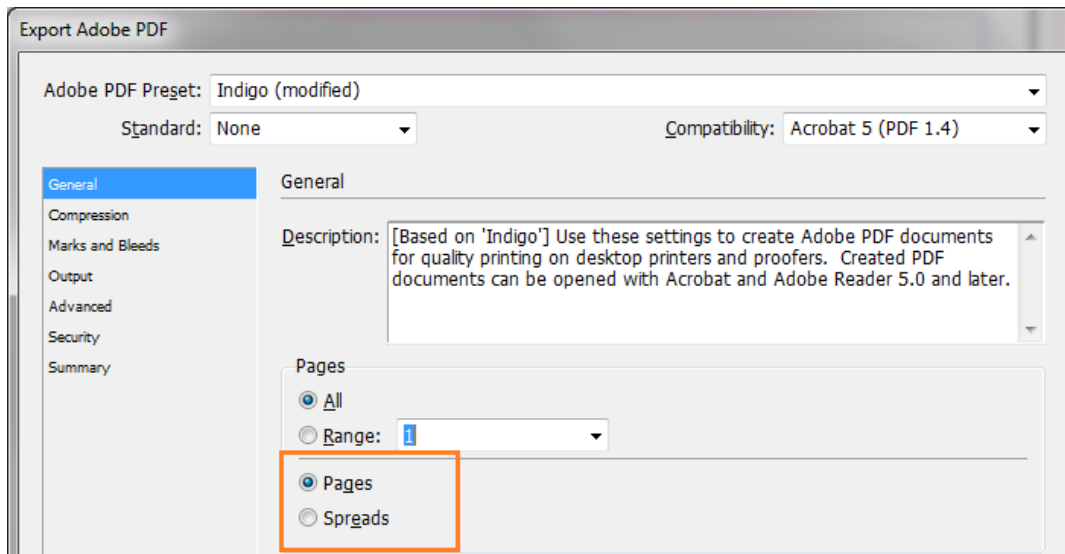
InDesign document settings for a softcover cover file



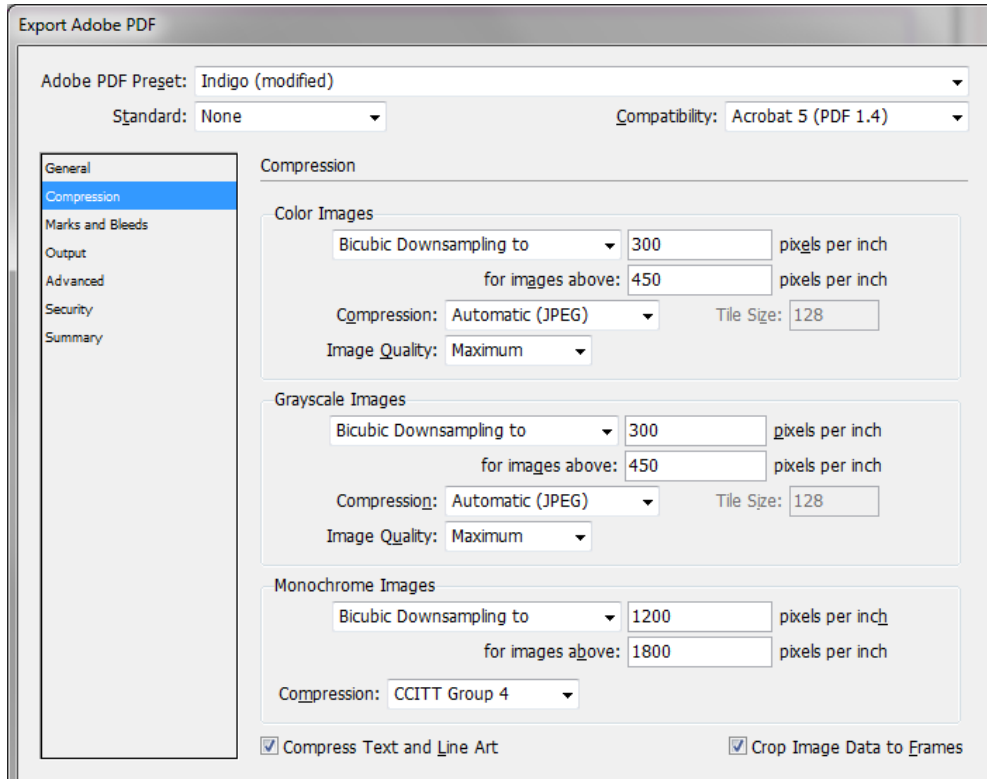
PDF Requirements

When outputting files to PDF from InDesign, please follow the following guidelines. You may also ask your Blossom Yearbooks representative for the Adobe Preset file as well.

*General settings – be sure to output as **pages** and not spreads*

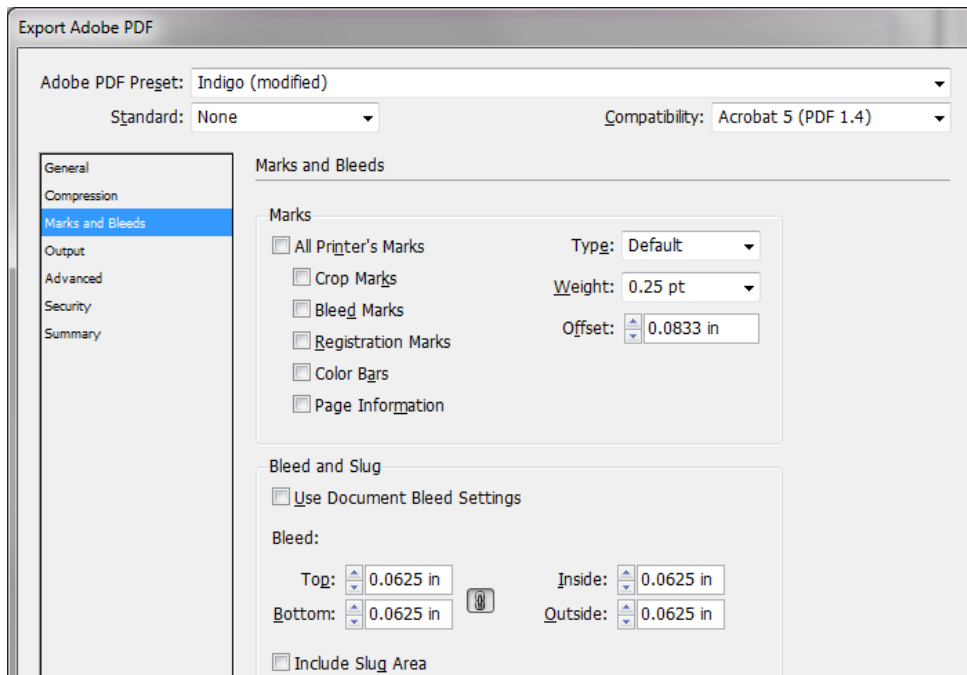


Compression settings – Images should be output at 300 DPI or higher



Marks and Bleeds

Marks do not need to be set, but your document should already have bleed settings of .0625”.



All other settings should remain as default.