



## Fiery Impose Plus



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# Fiery Impose Plus

Fiery Impose Plus applies imposition layouts for special printing and binding needs. You can also impose variable data printing jobs when you use Fiery Impose Plus.

Fiery Impose Plus lets you:

- Place multiple pages on a single sheet, and specify how many rows and columns of pages to lay out on a sheet. You can use predefined layouts for common impositions or create custom layouts.
- Set the placement of pages on a sheet; the Fiery Impose Plus layout designates the location of folds, cuts, and other elements with printer's marks.

You can access Fiery Impose Plus from Command WorkStation and open them in the **Fiery Preview** window.

Adobe Acrobat Pro is available as separate kit with a valid Fiery Impose Plus license. It is recommended that you use the version of Acrobat provided in the kit.

For more information about installing Adobe Acrobat Pro, see the installation instructions document in the kit.

Fiery Impose Plus is supported on both Windows and Mac computers. For information about system requirements, see *Configuration and Setup*, which is part of the user documentation set.

## Fiery Impose Plus license

Your workstation must have an activated Fiery Impose Plus license to use the full functionality of Impose Plus.

## Activate the Fiery Impose Plus license

To activate the Fiery Impose Plus license, you must have a License Activation Code (LAC). You can activate the license automatically if your computer is connected to the Internet, or manually if your computer is not connected to the Internet.

- 1 In Command WorkStation, right-click a job and choose **Impose Plus**.
- 2 Click **Activate License** in the **Manage Fiery Options** window to open the License Activation page.
- 3 For more information, see the *Fiery Client SW License Help* by clicking the ? (Help) icon in the upper-right corner of the License Activation page.

## Open a job in Fiery Impose Plus

After activating your license, you can open a spooled or held job in Fiery Impose Plus.

**Note:** When a job is opened in Fiery Impose Plus, do not open the same job in **Job Properties**.

- 1 Select a PostScript or Adobe PDF job in the **Held** list of Command WorkStation.
- 2 From the **Actions** menu, select **Impose Plus**.  
You can also right-click a job and select **Impose Plus**.

To select a single page of a multi-page document, **Option-click** (macOS) or **Alt-click** (Windows) a page in the **Sheet View** pane to select the same page in the **Page View** pane.

## Add a new job

You can create a blank new job in Fiery Impose Plus.

You must have Fiery Impose Plus licensed on your computer to create a new job.

- 1 Click the **New Job** icon in the Command WorkStation tool bar, or select it from the **File** menu.  
Your new job opens in Fiery Impose Plus.
- 2 Apply settings as required.
- 3 Insert pages from an existing job, if required.  
You can only insert pages from the source PDF document. You cannot insert pages that were previously added as inserted tabs to that job.

## Insert pages or image files

You can insert pages from a job on the Fiery server, or from your computer.

- 1 To insert a file, do one of the following:
  - Click **Actions > Insert PDF or PS File**.
  - Click **Actions > Insert Server Job**.
- 2 Do one of the following:
  - Browse to the location of the file and click **Open**.
  - For a server job, click the file in the list and click **OK**.
- 3 Do one of the following:
  - In the **Insert Pages** window, choose where to insert the new pages. Select **At Start of Job**, **At End of Job**, **After Page**, or **Before Page**, and click **Insert**.
  - To insert specific pages, drag the pages to the **Page View** pane and arrange them in the order you want.



## User interface customizations saved between sessions

The system saves user interface customizations for Fiery Impose Plus.

For of this product intents, the user interface customization is saved between sessions. When you open a new session, customizations from the previous session are restored, including:

- position and size of the main window
- user interface settings inside the window, including:
  - sizes of the **Page View** and **Sheet View**
  - expand/collapse state of collapsible panes: **Page View** and **Sheet View**
  - zoom level of **Page View** thumbnails and **Sheet View** pages

**Note:** The system saves your customizations for your initial product intent. When you close Fiery Impose Plus, settings to be restored are saved for that product intent, and are applied the next time you open that product intent.

## Set Fiery Impose Plus preferences

**Preferences** lets you set the path to temporary files, defaults for converting PostScript to PDF, scaling, the default finish size for imposed jobs, and more.

In Windows, you set Fiery Impose Plus preferences in **Edit > Preferences**. On macOS, preferences are under the **Fiery Command WorkStation** menu within the Fiery Impose Plus window.

To use dark mode on a Mac computer, make a setting in Fiery Command WorkStation preferences. For more information on dark mode, see *Fiery Command WorkStation Help*.

### About user preferences

To select user preferences, select **Edit > Preferences**.

Under **General**, do any of the following:

- Select the default settings for PS to PDF conversion.
- Allow multitasking with Fiery Command WorkStation.

Under **Impose**, do any of the following:

- Select the default finish size for imposed jobs.
- Select the default scale values for imposed jobs.
- Specify the imposition template path.

Under **Finishers**, do any of the following:

- Select the **Allow finisher integration** check box to enable the finisher integration workflow using which you can apply, create, and publish finisher presets.

When you select **Allow finisher integration**, the following are enabled:

- **Apply Finisher Preset** option in the **Actions** menu.
- **Finisher Preset** button in the **Settings** pane.

Note the following:

- If a finisher is not used, you can clear this check box.
- **Allow finisher integration** does not apply to finishing devices that support only setting a registration mark and barcode.
- **Select device** - Select the finishing device from the list.

Depending on the finishing device that is selected, you can perform one or a combination of the following tasks:

- [Set a registration mark and barcode](#) on page 47
- [Apply a finisher preset](#) on page 58
- [Create a finisher preset](#) on page 61

**Note:** Tasks are device-dependent, and you can perform these tasks only if supported by the selected finishing device.

After specifying settings in the **Finishers** tab, restart the application to apply the changes.

If you have selected a finisher, specify the following additional settings:

- **PC controller path** - The path to the installation folder on the Duplo Controller computer. Click **Test** to test the connection between the Fiery server and the computer with the Duplo PC Controller software.
- In the Available finisher module section, you can select any of the following, depending on your finisher:

Finisher module	Description	Supported finisher
CPM	The Cross Perforation Module (CPM) is an optional module installed on the finisher to support horizontal or cross perforation and horizontal scoring. Perforation is performed parallel to the feeding edge. If the job requires horizontal perforation, a minimum of one CPM module must be available for use on the finisher. To perform horizontal perforation, you must select the number of modules available on the finisher.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Duplo DC-618</li> </ul>
CPM	The Cross Tool Module (CPM) is an optional module installed on the finisher to support horizontal or cross perforation. Perforation is performed parallel to the feeding edge. If the job requires horizontal perforation, a minimum of one CPM module must be available for use on the finisher. To perform horizontal perforation, you must select the number of modules available on the finisher.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Duplo DC-648</li> </ul>
CRM	The Creaser Up Module (CRM) allows crease up (mountain), in addition to standard crease down (valley), horizontally across the sheet.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Duplo DC-648</li> </ul>

Finisher module	Description	Supported finisher
OSM	The Optional Slitter Module (OSM) provides up to 8 slits per sheet in combination with standard slitter modules.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Duplo DC-648</li> </ul>
PFM	<p>In the PFM (Perforation Module - Vertical) module, perforation is performed in the direction that is perpendicular to the feeding edge. If the job requires vertical perforation, a minimum of one PFM module must be available for use on the finisher.</p> <p>To perform vertical perforation, you must select the number of modules available on the finisher.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Duplo DC-618</li> </ul>
RTM	RTM or the Rotary Tool Module is an advanced vertical perforation unit that can perform two perforations at a time on the right and the left side of the printed output. A maximum of two RTMs can be installed on one finisher.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Duplo DC-618</li> <li>Duplo DC-648</li> </ul>

- **Barcode range** - The minimum and maximum barcode range.

Under **Cache**, do any of the following:

- Select **Enable caching** to allow Command WorkStation to store information locally.
- Specify the cache path.

## Choosing Adobe Acrobat Distiller settings for PS to PDF conversion

In Windows, select **Edit > Preferences > General** to choose Adobe Acrobat Distiller settings for converting PostScript files to PDF. On macOS, preferences are under the **Fiery Command WorkStation** menu within the Fiery Impose Plus window.

Select **Use server conversion, if supported** to allow the Fiery server to convert the jobs on the server rather than on the user computer, and to select the PDF setting that you want to use. Select **Use default server settings** to allow the Fiery server to use its own default profile.

Select **Use selected job options file** to allow users to browse and upload their own profile. Server conversion is often faster than downloading the file to the client computer for conversion, and then re-uploading it to the Fiery server afterward. However, this option is not recommended in the following scenarios:

- Licensed fonts, which are installed only on the user's computer, are required for conversion.
- If a newer Adobe Acrobat version is available, the conversion must be done with the newer version to support the new Acrobat features.
- You want to ensure that the Fiery server resources are allocated for processing only, not for file conversion.
- Users may be connected to a previous version of the Fiery server, which does not support server side conversion.

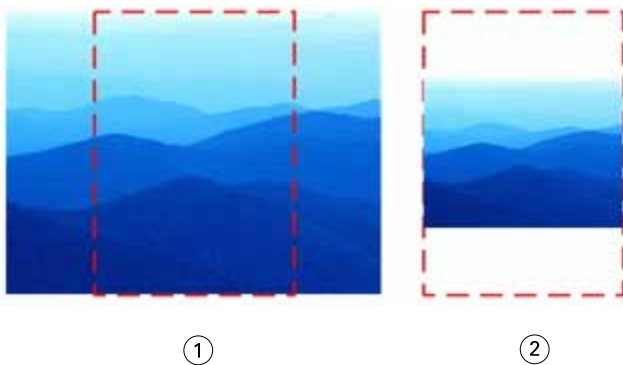
## Default scale value

For the **Based on Crop Box** finish size, **Default scale values for imposed jobs** can be either **Do not scale** or **Scale to fit**.

For the **User Defined** finish size, **Default scale values for imposed jobs** can be any of the following:

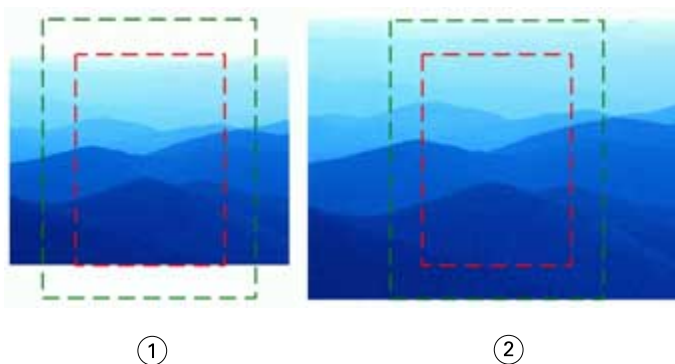
- **Do not scale (100%)**
- **Fit finish size proportionally**
- **Fill finish size proportionally**
- **Fit bleed size proportionally**
- **Fill bleed size proportionally**

In the diagrams, the red dotted line shows the finish size, and the green dotted line shows the bleed size.



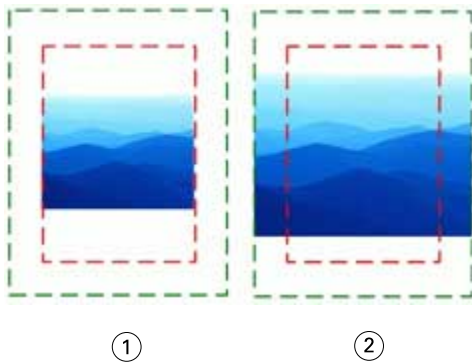
1 *Fill*

2 *Fit*



1 *Fill finish size*

2 *Fill bleed size*



1 *Fit finish size*

2 *Fit bleed size*

## Set imposition scale and finish size

In **Preferences > Impose**, **Default scale values for imposed jobs** sets the default scale factor when Fiery Impose Plus starts. **Finish Size** is based on the PDF crop box or trim box settings.

1 For **Finish Size**, click **Based on Crop box** or **User Defined**.

- **Based on Crop Box**, the default and legacy Fiery Impose Plus workflow, depends on the PDF crop box.
- **User Defined** allows Impose to detect the trim box settings, when present within the document, and use these as the default finish size. It does not depend on document size and crop box.

2 For **Default scale values for imposed jobs**, choose a scale setting as described in [Default scale value](#) on page 12.

## Configure default device profile for finisher

You can select a finisher device profile to define default barcode format and registration mark type.

Duplo finishers that support three-digit barcodes extend the number of total programmable jobs to 250. A programmable job is a customized cut, slit, or fold program based on gangup layout.

**Note:** A finisher configured for three-digit barcodes accepts the range 1-99 as 001-099 and not as 01-99.

- 1 In Windows, select **Edit > Preferences**. On macOS, preferences are under the **Fiery Command WorkStation** menu within the **Impose Plus** window.
- 2 Click the **Finishers** tab in the column on the left.
- 3 In the **Finisher configuration** section, select the desired profile of the finisher from the **Select device** list.

**Note:** When you change between barcode formats, any previously saved jobs or Impose Plus templates are not affected.

## Change the location of user-created imposition templates

You can change the location where Fiery Impose Plus stores user-created imposition templates.

You control where Fiery Impose Plus loads user-created imposition templates (after closing and re-opening Fiery Impose Plus), and where the templates are stored when the user saves one.

**Note:** You cannot hide the stock templates; they are always shown.

- 1 In Windows, select **Edit > Preferences**. On macOS, preferences are under the **Fiery Command WorkStation** menu within the **Impose Plus** window.
- 2 From the column at the left, select **Impose Plus**.
- 3 Click **Browse** and navigate to the desired folder.
- 4 Click **Select Folder**.

## Sheet selection

The sheet range edit box in Sheet View allows you to input a sheet number to navigate to a specific sheet.

## PS to PDF conversion

The native format of Fiery Impose Plus or Fiery Preview is PDF. If a PostScript file is open in one of these applications, the **PS to PDF Conversion** converts the job to PDF before any other actions are performed. When you save the opened PostScript job, the PDL of the saved job appears as a PDF in the Held list.

To turn on the **PS to PDF Conversion** option, go to the **General** tab of **Preferences**. Select **PS to PDF Conversion**.

When **Use server conversion if supported** is selected, you may choose either **Use default server settings** or **Use selected job options file**.

**Note:** Adobe Distiller must be installed on the server to use default job option settings.

When you choose **Use selected job options file**, click **Browse** to view available files. If Adobe Distiller is installed on the client, you may select any job option installed in Adobe Distiller job options folder.

## PS to PDF conversion on macOS

You must grant permission to Command WorkStation to access Acrobat Distiller to convert PS files to PDF.

When you open a PS file in Fiery Impose Plus for the first time, click **Allow** in the window to grant permission to Command WorkStation to allow Acrobat Distiller to perform the conversion.

If you deny permission, current and future conversions will fail. To enable conversion, you will need to make changes in the **Security & Privacy** window.

- 1 Close all Fiery applications.
- 2 Close Adobe Acrobat Distiller.

- 3 Go to **System Preferences > Security & Privacy > Privacy > Automation**
- 4 Click the lock icon in the bottom-left corner and enter your password.
- 5 In the list of applications, find **Fiery Command WorkStation.app**.
- 6 Select **Acrobat Distiller.app** to enable Command WorkStation to access Acrobat Distiller.

## Access Fiery Impose Plus

You can access Fiery Impose Plus directly from Command WorkStation or from the **Job Properties** window for a selected job.

**Note:** You can open a PostScript, Adobe PDF (Portable Document Format), or VDP file, but it must show a spooled status.

## Make a job spooled or held

A job must be spooled or held to be opened in Fiery Impose Plus.

- Do one of the following:
  - For a processed or held job, select the job in the **Held** list.  
If you select a processed or held job and choose **Actions > Preview**, the job opens in the **Raster Preview** window.
  - For a printed job, select the job in the **Printed** list and click **Actions > Hold**.

## Access Fiery Impose Plus from Command WorkStation

You can open a job in Fiery Impose Plus directly from Command WorkStation.

- 1 Select a spooled job in the **Held** list of Command WorkStation.
- 2 Click the **Actions** menu.
- 3 Select **Impose Plus**.

## Access Fiery Impose Plus from Job Properties

When you open a job in the Fiery Impose Plus window from **Job Properties**, the job appears in wireframe view in the **Sheet View** pane.

**1** Do one of the following:

- Click a spooled or held job in the **Held** list.
- For a hot folder, click the hot folder in the **Fiery Hot Folders Console**.

**2** Click **Actions > Properties**.

**3** Click the **Layout** tab.

**4** Click **Edit Impose Template**.

If you want to edit the template to create a custom template, the Fiery server must support Fiery Impose Plus, and you must have the appropriate license.

## Imposition layouts

Fiery Impose Plus provides predefined layouts for common impositions such as booklets and brochures. You can also create and save custom layouts.

Fiery Impose Plus supports layouts of up to 625 pages per sheet (1250 pages duplex), in a matrix of up to 25 rows by 25 columns. Further limits may apply depending on the connected Fiery server. **Gangup** printing methods support all layout of rows and columns. Binding methods (**Saddle**, **Nested Saddle**, **Perfect**) support only the 1 x 2, 2 x 1, and 2 x 2 layouts.

The items below all affect the layout of the job.

### Duplex printing

Depending on your printer, duplex printing may not be supported or may have a different implementation. Fiery Impose Plus supports duplex printing that corresponds to the available print options.

For more information, see [Duplex settings in Fiery Impose Plus](#) on page 40.

### Gutter sizes

Fiery Impose Plus defines the locations of gutters for you according to the layout and sheet size governing the imposition of the job. For example, perfect-bound jobs typically require larger gutters than saddle-stitched jobs, to provide room for trimming off the spines and gluing signatures together when the book is bound.

For more information, see [Set Gutters](#) on page 33.

### Setting margins

The size and location of the margin (the area between the outside edge of a group of imposed pages and the edge of the sheet) depends on the printer associated with the job. You cannot set custom margins, but you can use **Scale to Fit** to re-size the content on the sheet. The **Finish Size** setting provides different options for setting the content with regard to the trim size.



## Understanding imposition layouts

Fiery Impose Plus arranges the pages of your application-specific file in the correct order and orientation for printing and a variety of binding styles to produce a bound book.

Commercial offset printers and web presses use wide rolls of paper and large printing plates capable of imaging numerous pages on a single sheet. Printers might image up to 32 full-size pages on a single press sheet, a process inherently faster than printing a single page at a time. Fiery Impose Plus allows you to image multiple pages on a single sheet, but the output devices it supports are digital copiers, rather than traditional printing presses. The paper on which a job is imaged is referred to as the sheet.

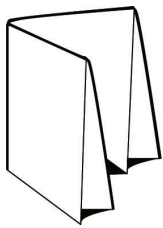
The printed sheet is folded into something resembling a booklet with connected pages. The folded sheet, called a signature, is then trimmed to the finished size.

For pages to appear in normal reading order and position in the final booklet, their ordering and positioning on the sheet must differ from the normal book-reading order. Some pages must be printed upside down on the sheet in order for them to appear right-side-up in the final booklet, and pages must also be printed out of numerical sequence on the sheet in order for them to appear in the correct numerical sequence in the final booklet.

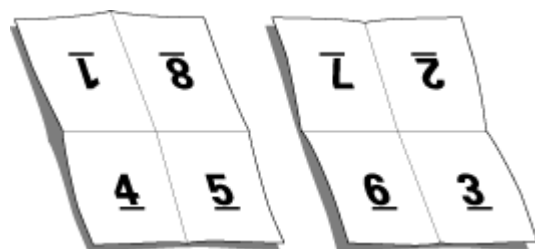
## Make a folding model

You can make a folding model of a signature to show how the pages would be laid out on the sheet and how the sheet would be cut and folded.

- 1 Fold a sheet of standard size paper in half horizontally, so the top edge of the sheet meets the bottom edge.
- 2 Fold the paper again vertically, so the left edge of the sheet meets the right edge.
- 3 Position the signature with the vertically folded edge to the left and the horizontally folded edge across the top.



- 4 Page through the folded signature as if it was a book you were reading.
  - a) Number each page sequentially, on both front and back, starting with page 1 on the front (the front cover) and page 8 on the back (the back cover).
  - b) Underline each number to highlight the page orientation.
- 5 Unfold the piece of paper.  
The image below shows both sides of the paper.



The result is a model of the layout for an 8-page signature. Note the following:

- The folds subdivide the sheet into areas representing pages in the final booklet.
- Page numbers do not appear in book-reading order.
- Some page numbers are upside down.

## Adobe PDF Print Engine processing in Fiery Impose Plus

Fiery Impose Plus supports Adobe PDF Print Engine, a PDF-based processor that allows direct processing of PDF jobs without conversion to PostScript.

You can turn on the PDF Print Engine in Configure in Command WorkStation, and you can turn it off on a per-job basis in Job Properties.

These restrictions apply for imposed jobs in Job Properties:

- N-up jobs with the **Print border** option
- 1-up Perfect binding jobs inside the **Booklet** layout option
- Variable Data files other than PDF/VT

Jobs using non-supported features are processed through the PostScript interpreter.

Starting with Fiery FS600/600 Pro and later, PDF Print Engine imposition processing is supported for variable data jobs for PDF/VT files with the following exceptions:

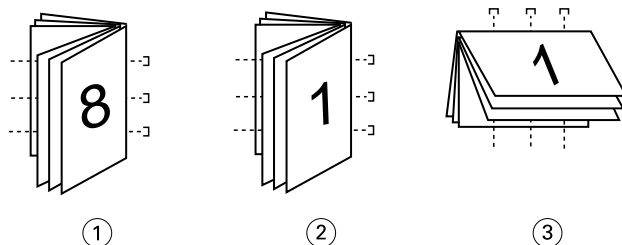
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|----------------------|------------------------|
| • Auto Page Rotation | • Mixed record lengths |
| • Blank Page Text    | • Page range           |
| • Covers             | • Record range         |
| • Creep              | • Sheet range          |
| • Demo marks         | • Subset Chapters      |
| • Duplo binding type | • Subset Finishing     |
| • Mixed page sizes   | • Watermarks           |

## Binding methods

A book layout also specifies how sheets are gathered and bound. Three standard methods are saddle stitch, perfect binding, and nested saddle.

The binding method affects the order in which pages are placed on the sheet. Your imposition settings must specify the method by which the finished job will be bound to achieve the correct layout and finished output.

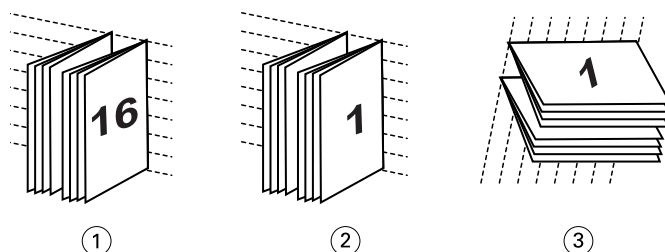
- Saddle stitch** - Signatures are folded together as a group, and then stapled or stitched along the center fold, which forms the spine of the booklet.



### Callout Refers to

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| 1 | Saddle (left) binding  |
| 2 | Saddle (right) binding |
| 3 | Saddle (top) binding   |

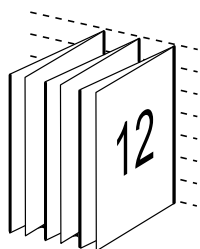
- Nested saddle** - Combines saddle stitch and perfect binding methods. The signatures are folded together in groups. Each group forms a subset. The subsets are then stacked one on top of another and glued, as with perfect binding. When you specify nested saddle binding for a booklet in Fiery Impose Plus, the sheets or subset setting allows you to specify the number of folded sheets in a group (subset). The cover is usually printed as a different job because it is printed with different paper stock and different imposition layout and sheet size.



### Callout Refers to

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|---|-------------------------------|
| 1 | Nested Saddle (left) binding  |
| 2 | Nested Saddle (right) binding |
| 3 | Nested Saddle (top) binding   |

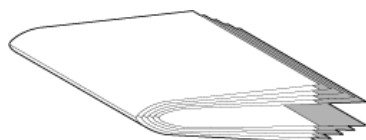
- Perfect binding** - Separate, folded pages are printed and stacked in booklet order. Finished pages are trimmed and then glued adjacent to one another. The cover is usually printed as a different job because it is printed with different paper stock and different imposition layout and sheet size.



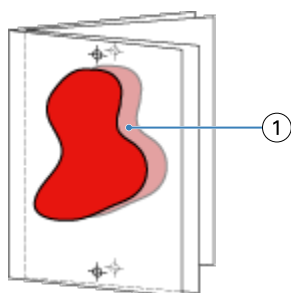
## Creep

Creep is the shifting position of the page in a saddle-stitched bind. Creep moves the inside pages away from the spine.

All books and brochures use a sheet that is folded to create separate page areas. Because the sheet itself has some thickness, each fold causes a very small incremental shift in the location of the edge of each page relative to the others. The result is that the edges of pages furthest from the saddle's innermost fold seem to move away from the edges of pages closest to the innermost fold. As the number of pages in the saddle increases, so does the amount of this shift. To counteract the effects of this shift, the bindery trims the edges of the finished book to a common edge.



Trimming the bound pages resolves only part of the problem, however, as the edges of pages move, so do the content areas imaged on them. The apparent shift of content area caused by folding a sheet multiple times is known as creep or binder's creep. The effect of creep is that the content area of pages closer to the innermost fold in a saddle appear to move towards the outer margins of the page.



### 1 Creep

Creep becomes more noticeable as the number of sheets in a saddle increases, and its effect is most noticeable on pages farthest from the center fold of the saddle. Consequently, a book layout must also specify the number of sheets in each saddle because the number of sheets in each saddle affects the amount of creep that needs to be accounted for.

## Adding blank pages to adjust layout

Fiery Impose Plus allows you to add blank pages, and also inserts blank pages automatically where necessary for the imposition layout you select.

A book layout must adjust the placement of pages according to the total number of pages in the job. If the total page count is not an even multiple of the number of pages in the layout, one signature may be laid out, typically with blank pages, to accommodate the discrepancy.

The blank pages that are inserted automatically are called implicit blank pages. Because the implicit blank pages are not part of the original working document, you can choose to show the implicit blank pages or not.

Depending on the **Row** and **Column** setting, as many as seven blank pages may be created. (For example, seven blank pages may be created for a 2X2 layout).

## Preview a job for imposition

In the Command WorkStation **Preview** window, you can display sheet dimensions and navigate among the sheets of an imposed job.

When you select a job for imposition in Command WorkStation, the job opens in the **Preview** window. Jobs appear as thumbnails of the sheet in the **Sheet View** pane, either displaying the content or in wireframe view.

For more information about previewing jobs in Command WorkStation, see *Fiery Command WorkStation Help*.

## View and measure sheet dimensions

You can use the measurement tool to display basic sheet dimensions, to determine distance from a point of origin to a specific corner or edge of the page and sheet, and to change the point of origin (reference point).

- 1 Click the measurement tool icon.
- 2 Move the cursor around a page to make predefined Hot Spots appear.  
Hot Spots are indicated by a horizontal or vertical line of red dashes.
- 3 Press the **Ctrl** key (on Windows) or the **Cmd** key (on macOS) and point and click to select a page.  
The nine possible reference points for the page appear.
- 4 Point and click to select a desired reference point. When it is selected, the reference point appears as a red square.

## View sheets of imposed jobs

You can view and navigate to the sheets of an imposed job by dragging or by sheet number.

- Do one of the following:
  - Drag with the drag tool to scroll across the sheets of the job.
  - Click the **Sheet** number display at the bottom of the **Sheet** view and then enter a sheet number in the text field.

## Imposing a job

Fiery Impose Plus allows you to create a custom template by changing the imposition settings and saving them. You can work in either wireframe view or thumbnail content view in the **Sheet View** pane.

To impose a job, you can import your own templates or specify imposition settings. If you specify imposition settings, you first choose one of three workflows (product intents):

- **Normal** - For 1-up imposition where clipping and printer's marks may be required.
- **Booklet** - For creating booklets of various types.
- **Gangup** - For creating various gangup pagination schemes.

Fiery server system pages are designed for administrative, informational purposes only. You cannot impose pages such as configuration, calibration, test pages, post-flight reports, and PANTONE books and charts.

### Booklet Maker settings in Fiery Impose Plus

You can use Fiery Impose Plus to open a job with Booklet Maker settings, and then preview or modify the imposition layout. Fiery Impose Plus translates and maps all Booklet Maker settings to Fiery Impose Plus commands. See *Booklet Maker Help* in *Fiery Command WorkStation Help*.

**Note:** After you edit a job in Fiery Impose Plus, you cannot edit it in Booklet Maker.

## Imposition templates

You can create custom templates in Fiery Impose Plus.

To create a custom template in Fiery Impose Plus, you can change the settings of a product intent. Select a product intent, make changes, and save type a name for the template. The new settings are applied immediately. You must have a Fiery Impose Plus license to save a template.

In the **Preferences** window, you can set a path to the folder or directory where you want to store custom templates. This setting is in the **Impose** tab, under **Imposition Template Path**.

Custom templates can also be saved to the Fiery IQ cloud and synchronized for use on any client computer when you sign in to your Fiery Account.

Imposition templates can also be edited from Hot Folders, Job Properties, Virtual Printers, and Presets, if you have a Fiery Impose Plus license.

**Note:** The **User Defined** and **Based on Trim Box** finish size workflows require PDF source files. PostScript files and VDP formats other than PDF/VT are not supported.

## Support for User Defined and Based on Trim Box finish size templates

Custom imposition templates can be created with **User Defined** and **Based on Trim Box** finish size settings.

The templates can be used in any job submission method or workflows including Fiery Impose Plus, Hot Folders, a Fiery server running Fiery system software FS500 Pro or later, or a client computer connected to a Fiery server running Fiery system software FS500 Pro or later (through Virtual Printers, Job Properties, and Server Presets).

A Fiery Impose Plus license is required if a template using **Based on Crop Box** finish size workflows has the **Repeat-Collate Cut** setting for the **Gangup** option selected or the **Perfector** option selected for duplex printing.

The Fiery Impose Plus license must be activated on the client computer or at the Fiery FS500 Pro (Windows-based) server when setting up a workflow. The following table explains where the Fiery Impose Plus license needs to be activated for **User Defined** and **Based on Trim Box** finish size workflows:

**Table 1:** License Activation for templates with User Defined and Based on Trim Box finish size

Fiery System Software	License Activation		Supported Workflow			
	Server License	Client License	Job Properties	Server Presets	Virtual Printers	Hot Folders
FS500 Pro (windows-based) or later	Yes	Yes	Supported (1,3)	Supported (3)	Supported (2)	Supported (3)
	Yes	No	Supported (1)	Supported	Supported	Not Supported
	No	Yes	Not Supported	Not Supported	Not Supported	Supported (3)
	No	No	Not Supported	Not Supported	Not Supported	Not Supported
			<p>(1) When the <b>User Defined</b> finish size template is created on the Fiery server then a <b>Server Preset</b> must be created in order to have access from <b>Job Properties</b>.</p> <p>(2) <b>Virtual Printer</b> workflow is only available if the <b>User Defined</b> finish size template is created on the Fiery server.</p> <p>(3) When <b>Job Properties</b>, <b>Server Presets</b>, or <b>Hot Folders</b> workflows based on <b>User Defined</b> finish size are set up on a client computer, the workflows can only be accessed on that client computer.</p>			

## Apply an Imposition template

You can apply a custom template the to a job in Fiery Impose Plus.

- 1 Click the **Template** menu at the top of the **Settings** pane.

- 2 Select the name of the template you want to use in the **Template Browser**.

The new settings are applied immediately when you select a template.

## Save a custom Imposition template

You can save a custom template if you have a licensed version of Fiery Impose Plus.

- 1 Create a custom template.
- 2 Click the **Save** icon.
- 3 Type a name for the template in the **Save Template** window.

## Save a custom imposition template to the Fiery IQ cloud

You can save a custom imposition template to the Fiery IQ cloud.

Before you begin, sign in to your Fiery Account. When you attempt to save the custom imposition template, a message will appear to indicate whether your Fiery Account is associated with a company account. For information about Fiery Accounts, see *Fiery Command WorkStation Help*.

Custom imposition templates saved to the Fiery IQ cloud can be opened on any client computer when you are signed in to the same Fiery Account in Fiery Command WorkStation. However, templates saved to the Fiery IQ cloud are not shared with Fiery Accounts associated with the same company account.

**Note:** A term-based subscription license for Fiery Impose Plus is required to synchronize imposition templates to the Fiery IQ cloud.

- 1 Create a custom template.
- 2 Click the **Save** icon.
- 3 Type a name for the template in the **Save Template** window.
- 4 Select the **Save to Fiery IQ cloud** check box.
- 5 Click **OK**.

When you open the **Template Browser**, templates saved to the Fiery IQ cloud are indicated with a cloud icon.

## Delete a custom template

You can delete a custom template.

- 1 Select the template you want to delete from the **Template** menu.
- 2 Click the **Delete Template** icon.

**Note:** A job will continue to use the deleted template settings until you select another template or specify new imposition settings.



## Save an imposed job

You can save an imposed job as a regular imposed job or flattened PDF on the Fiery server or local disk.

Saving a job as a flattened PDF allows you to print the job or file on different printers that may not have a processor imposition capability. The flattened PDF can easily be sent to customers for remote signature level proofing.

For more information, see [Set trim marks](#) on page 45.

**Note:** Fiery Impose Plus cannot save a VDP imposition job in Adobe PDF format.

## Save a job as a regular imposed job

When you save as a regular imposed job, you save the job to the Fiery server with extension .dbp with the job ticket. You can then reopen the job and make changes.

- 1 Select **File > Save**.
- 2 Choose a location to save the file in the **Where** menu.
- 3 Clear the **Flattened** check box.

## Save a job as a flattened PDF

When you save a job as a flattened PDF, you can save back to the Fiery server or local disk and archive the imposed PDF for future reprinting.

**Note:** When you save as a flattened PDF, you might want to give the job a new file name to avoid overwriting your original PDF file.

In Fiery Impose Plus, a flattened PDF does not include tab and blank sheet pages, but does include implicit blank pages. When you save a job, the save window remembers where you saved it and whether you saved it as a flattened PDF and uses these options the next time you save a job.

- 1 Select **File > Save**.
- 2 Type a filename in the **Save as** field.
- 3 Choose a location to save the file in the **Where** menu.
- 4 (Optional) Click **Settings**.
- 5 (Optional) Set any of the following in the **PDF Output Settings** window and then click **OK**:

Under **Rotation**:

- **Front** - Select **90 degrees Clockwise**, **180 degrees**, or **90 degrees Counter-Clockwise** to rotate the front pages of the PDF output. Selecting **None** will not apply rotation.
- **Back** - Select **90 degrees Clockwise**, **180 degrees**, or **90 degrees Counter-Clockwise** to rotate the back pages of the PDF output. Selecting **None** will not apply rotation.

Under **Security**:

- **Method** - Select **Password protected Editing** or **Password protected Printing and Editing** to enable the **Password** and **Confirm** fields. Selecting **None** will not apply security features.
- **Password** - Type your desired password.
- **Confirm** - Type the same password from the **Password** field.

6 Click **OK**.

## Gangup printing in Fiery Impose Plus

Fiery Impose Plus provides **Gangup Repeat**, **Gangup Unique**, **Repeat-Collate Cut**, and **Unique-Collate Cut** imposition.

Fiery Impose Plus also offers **Duplo - Long Edge Feed** and **Duplo - Short Edge Feed** for imposition jobs being finished on a Duplo offline finisher with bindery features such as folding, slitting, cutting, and creasing.

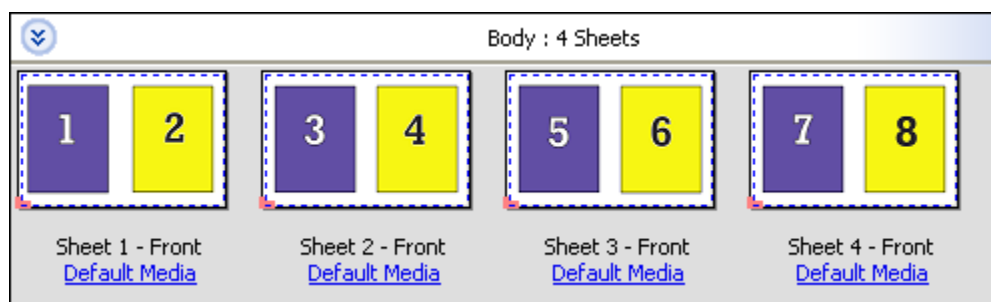
### Gangup Repeat

The **Repeat** option enables step-and-repeat printing. Step-and-repeat is most often used when printing multiple copies of a single document.

The **Best Fit for Gangup Repeat** function automatically lays out the content on the sheet for optimal use of the sheet size, using a **Gangup Repeat** workflow. To use this feature, select the **Best Fit for Gangup Repeat** icon. For information, see [Best Fit for Gangup Repeat](#) on page 30.

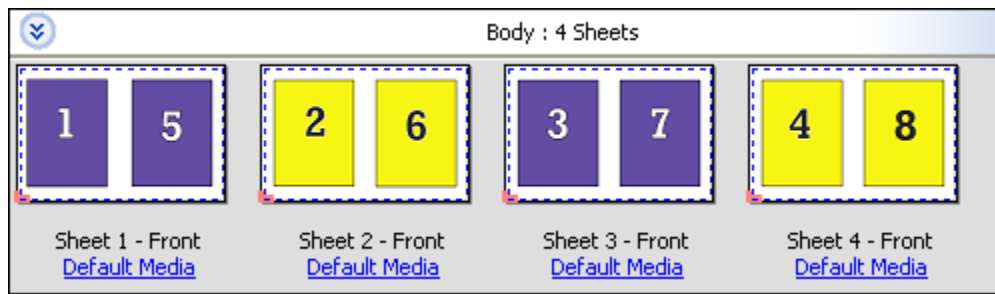
### Gangup Unique

The **Unique** option places pages in an arrangement that is often more appropriate for printing a single copy of a job. This option does not fully collate itself (hand collating is necessary), but optimizes the sheet size while limiting the run to a single copy.



### Unique-Collate Cut

**Unique-Collate Cut** places pages in an arrangement that allows the pages to fall into the correct order when the sheets are stacked and cut. This option minimizes the need for collating by hand and is most appropriate for printing single copies of a document.



## Repeat-Collate Cut

The **Repeat-Collate Cut** option includes the functionality of **Repeat** and **Unique-Collate Cut** imposition. The **Repeat-Collate Cut** allows you to create various layouts for stacking the finished products based on your cutting and collating preferences. You can define layouts for stacking the finished products with the **Product Row & Column** option. This option allows you to define how the finished products are stacked, either from left to right or from top to bottom. You can create multiple copies of a single document or a single copy of a document.



## Duplo - Short Edge Feed

**Duplo - Short Edge Feed** sets a pagination direction that enables feeding the final printed sheet into a Duplo finisher at the sheet's short edge. The columns or rows are perpendicular to the shortest sheet edge.

VDP and non-VDP PDF and PostScript jobs can use Duplo finishing. You can automatically configure Duplo offline finishers by reading a simple barcode printed on the sheets. The finisher reads a registration mark on the sheet and

positions the sheet in relation to the mark as the sheet feeds through the machine. When specifying Duplo for a gangup imposition layout, you can specify the registration and barcode in the **Marks** window.

## Duplo - Long Edge Feed

Setting **Duplo - Long Edge Feed** for a gangup imposition layout creates a pagination direction that enables the final printed sheet to be fed into a Duplo finisher at the sheet's long edge. The columns or rows are arranged in a direction perpendicular to the longest sheet edge.

You can use Duplo finishing for VDP and non-VDP PDF and PostScript jobs. Reading a simple barcode printed on the sheets automatically configures Duplo offline finishers. The finisher compensates for stack drift and image shift by reading a registration mark printed on the sheet and positioning the sheet in relation to the mark as the sheet feeds through the machine.

When specifying Duplo for a gangup imposition layout, you can specify the registration and barcode in the **Marks** window.

## Gangup with top finished edge

Gangup with top finished edge allows you to automatically rotate the individual slots or pages on the back surface of a sheet 180 degrees for top-edge binding of a duplex job.

Gangup with top finished edge (slot rotation) works with the existing layout styles in Fiery Impose Plus. You can set up slot rotation templates which can then be used for Hot Folders and Virtual Printers.

Gangup with top finished edge is available for the following gangup styles:

- Repeat
- Unique-Collate Cut
- Repeat-Collate Cut
- Duplo - Short Edge Feed
- Duplo - Long Edge Feed

The following table shows the settings required for gangup with top finished edge.

Gangup style	Duplex	Layout style	Slot rotation
Repeat	On	Any of the styles:	Yes
Unique-Collate Cut	On	• Standard	Yes
Repeat-Collate Cut	On	• Head to head	Yes
Duplo - Short Edge Feed	On	• Foot to foot	Yes
Duplo - Long Edge Feed	On	• Reversal	Yes
		• Reversal Alternate	Yes

## Create a gangup job with top finished edge

- 1 Import your job into the Held list in Command WorkStation.
- 2 Select the job and select **Impose Plus** from the **Actions** menu, or the right-click menu.
- 3 Select **Gangup** in the **Settings** pane in the **Impose Plus** window, and one of the following styles:
  - **Repeat**
  - **Unique-Collate Cut**
  - **Repeat-Collate Cut**
  - **Duplo - Short Edge Feed**
  - **Duplo - Long Edge Feed**
- 4 Specify settings as outlined below:
  - Select **Top** for the finishing edge.
  - Select **On** for the **Duplex** option.
  - Select **Any** for the **Layout Style** option.

**Note:** The settings above are required. You can specify other settings as required.

The result of your choices are displayed in the **Sheet View** pane.

## Dynamic trim box automation

Dynamic trim box automation is an automatic media-size-based imposition for gangup layouts.

After creating a gangup layout, you can save it as a template and use it to lay out other jobs automatically. You need only one such template per sheet size. When a gangup job comes in, you can drag the new job onto a hot folder based on the sheet size template. Fiery Impose Plus automatically determines the best layout (N-up and orientation) for the job to print the maximum number of items per sheet.

This automated workflow, which uses the **Based on Trim Box** finish size, dynamically creates the layout for different small items (such as business cards, postcards, or concert tickets) on a larger-sized sheet (such as 11x17). This workflow applies only to gangup jobs.

**Note:** You can use custom imposition templates created with the **Based on Trim Box** workflow, or with the user defined workflow, with Hot Folders, Virtual Printers, Presets, and Command WorkStation Job Properties. For information about supported workflows, required software licenses, and the version of Fiery system software needed on the Fiery server you are connected to, see [Support for User Defined and Based on Trim Box finish size templates](#) on page 23.

## Automate gangup imposition with Hot Folders

You can automate the setup of gangup imposition (for example, for business cards or postcards) to print on the same sheet size, and streamline the setup and production using a single hot folder for these products regardless of their finish size.

When you use this sheet size again for different products, you can drag the new job onto a hot folder based on the template you created. Fiery Impose Plus automatically creates a best-fit layout for the new job.

- 1 In the Fiery Impose Plus **Settings** pane, create a gangup layout by selecting **Gangup**, and set the **Finish Size** to **Based on Trim Box**.
- 2 (Optional) Click **Define** for the **Gutter** option to specify settings for gutters.
- 3 (Optional) Click **Define** for the **Marks** option to specify trim marks.
- 4 Click the save icon at the top of the **Settings** pane.
- 5 Type a name for the template and save as a regular imposed job.
- 6 Open Hot Folders.
- 7 Click **New** to create a new hot folder.
- 8 Type a name for the hot folder in the **Hot Folder Settings** window.
- 9 Click **Select** and then click **Connect** to connect to a Fiery server.
- 10 Select **Define** for the **Job Properties** option.
- 11 In the **Job Properties** window, select **Layout > Impose**.
- 12 Select the template that you created for the **Templates** option.
- 13 Click **OK**.
- 14 In the **Hot Folder Settings** window, select a desired action for the **Job action** option.
- 15 Click **OK**.  
The hot folder is created on the desktop.
- 16 On the desktop, drag a new job with small products to the hot folder.
- 17 Go to the Fiery server. The job should appear there and be processed.  
Fiery Impose Plus automatically determines the best layout to print the maximum number of items.

## Best Fit for Gangup Repeat

**Best Fit for Gangup Repeat** automatically lays out the content on the sheet for optimal use of the sheet size, using a Gangup and Repeat workflow.

Fiery Impose Plus calculates how many sheets of the media are needed for the number of finished products required.

**Best Fit for Gangup Repeat** is ideal for business cards or any job where the printer produces a large quantity of repeatable content. The layout is calculated using either the **Based on Crop Box** finish size or **User Defined** finish size, whatever the setting is for **Finish Size** in the **Settings** pane.

## Using Best Fit for Gangup Repeat with Hot Folders and Job Properties

To use **Best Fit for Gangup Repeat** when editing Fiery Impose Plus templates from Hot Folders, you must first:

- Specify the sheet size.
- Set the finish size for imposed jobs to **User Defined** or **Based on Crop Box**.

These prerequisites also apply when you edit Fiery Impose Plus templates from **Job Properties**.

## Specify Best Fit for Gangup Repeat



You can select the **Best Fit for Gangup Repeat** option for automatic layout of your gangup and repeat job.

The imported job must be one that is suitable for a gangup and repeat layout, for example, a business card.

- Select a job in the **Held** list in Command WorkStation and open Fiery Impose Plus in one of the following ways:
  - Select **Impose Plus** from the **Actions** menu.
  - Right-click the job and select **Impose Plus**.
- In the **Impose Plus** window, select **Best Fit for Gangup Repeat** from the **Actions** menu.

You can also click the **Best Fit for Gangup Repeat** icon in the **Settings** pane when **Gangup Repeat** is selected as the product intent workflow.

- Set the following:

Option	Description
<b>Number of finished products</b>	Automatically populates as 100, but can be set to more or less.  <b>Note:</b> The maximum number of finished products cannot result in a copy count which exceeds 9999. In this case the copy count will show as “Invalid”. To correct this, change one of the values until the copy count is less than 10,000.
<b>Sheet</b>	Select from the menu of supported media.
<b>Layout orientation</b>	<b>Automatic, Portrait, or Landscape.</b>
<b>Margin</b>	<p>Allows control of the space outside the layout for other uses than the layout. To enable margins, click the toggle button to display the green check mark. To disable margins, click the toggle button to display the red "X".</p> <p>Margin enabled: </p> <p>Margin disabled: </p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Disabled - Populated with the non-printable margins from the printer driver.</li> <li>Enabled-Zero - Entering zero produces the same behavior as the <b>Use Non-printable area</b> check box in the <b>Settings</b> pane.</li> <li>Enabled-Custom - Type a custom margin.</li> </ul>

Option	Description
<b>Gutter</b>	Type parameters for the space between adjacent products in the layout, both horizontally and vertically. Note the difference between gutter and the margin, which is the space around the layout.
<b>Spoilage</b>	Specify the number of additional sheets that need to be produced to account for clamp marks from equipment, dirt on bottom sheets, or other reasons that may cause spoilage.
<b>Copies</b>	<p>The number of copies of the job which are necessary to produce the quantity of finished products. This value is for information only and cannot be overridden.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> This does not necessarily reflect the number of sheets, because the original document may consist of multiple items, for example, two distinct business cards.</p>
<b>Overage</b>	The number of finished products that are produced above the required number. Overage occurs when the required number of finished products does not fill an entire sheet. Fiery Impose Plus will always fill the sheet, thus creating overage.

You can override the settings and make changes in the **Settings** pane after closing the **Best Fit for Gangup Repeat** window, but doing so may result in more or less finished products being printed, unless you manually adjust the copy count in the **Copies** option in **Settings**. If you want auto calculation of the layout, you must open the **Best Fit for Gangup Repeat** window again.

## Specify Gangup settings in Fiery Impose Plus

You can specify gangup styles, page order, gutter size, and gangup method.

Make sure that the gangup style and method can be used together. For details about which you can combine, see [Combining gangup styles with gangup methods](#) on page 34.

### Set gangup style

You can set a gangup style.

- 1 Select **Gangup** in the **Template** menu.
- 2 Select one of the following in the template style menu:
  - **Unique**
  - **Repeat**
  - **Unique-Collate Cut**
  - **Repeat-Collate Cut**
  - **Duplo - Short Edge Feed**
  - **Duplo - Long Edge Feed**







## Set Page Order

The **Page Order** options allow you to specify the flow direction of pagination within the layout.

**Note:** The **Page Order** options are available only for the **Unique** gangup style.

- Click one of the following in the **Page Order** section of the **Settings** pane:

-  - Orders pages from left to right horizontally, by row, starting with the top row.
-  - Orders pages from right to left horizontally, by row, starting with the top row.
-  - Orders pages from top to bottom vertically, by column, starting with the furthest left column.
-  - Orders pages from top to bottom vertically, by column, starting the furthest right column.

## Set Gutters

You can set gutters for gangup jobs. Gutters are extra margins that allow space for binding or other finishing options.

Fiery Impose Plus defines the locations of gutters for you according to the layout and sheet size governing the imposition of the job. For example, perfect-bound jobs typically require larger gutters than saddle-stitched jobs to provide room for grinding off the spines and gluing signatures together when the book is bound.

- Click **Define** for the **Gutter** option.
- In the **Gutter** window, set the gutter measurement by typing in the available text fields for each gutter in your layout.
- (Optional) Click **Apply All** to apply the same measurement to all gutters.
- (Optional) Select the **"Scale to fit" uses gutter settings** check box to control the placement of the page content.. If you selected **Scale to fit** before setting gutters in the **Gutter** dialog box, use the **"Scale to fit" uses gutter settings** check box to control the placement of the page content.

The **"Scale to fit" uses gutter settings** check box is available when you select **Scale to fit** for the Scale option in the Fiery Impose Plus **Settings** pane before opening the **Gutter** window.

- Not selecting the check box (default setting) - **Scale to fit** does not include the gutter size in the calculation. Changing the gutter size does not scale the page content, and instead shifts the content.
- Selecting the check box - **Scale to fit** includes the gutter size in the calculation. Changing the gutter size scales the page content to fit within the area defined by the rows and columns and gutter settings.

## Scale to fit options with gutters

Fiery Impose Plus offers two different **Scale to fit** behaviors with gutters.

**Scale to fit** is needed when the original page does not fit entirely within the available imposition slot on the sheet. The imposition slot size is defined by the sheet size and the number of imposition slots on the page which

is a function of the number of rows and columns. The gutter setting defines the space between the imposition slots.

When you select **Scale to fit**, the **Gutter** window offers a "**Scale to fit**" uses gutter settings check box. The behavior of the check box is as follows:

- Not selecting the check box (default setting) - **Scale to fit** does not include the gutter size in the calculation. Changing the gutter size does not scale the page content, and instead shifts the content.
- Selecting the check box - **Scale to fit** includes the gutter size in the calculation. Changing the gutter size scales the page content to fit within the area defined by the rows and columns and gutter settings.

**Note:** The selected "**Scale to fit**" uses gutter settings selection cannot be saved for Fiery Impose Plus templates. If you do select the check box and save the settings as a Fiery Impose Plus template, the check box selection is cleared.

When you select **Scale to fit**, changing the gutter size changes the scaling automatically. The document is resized so it continues to fit in the available area.

Note the following:

- The **Scale to Fit** setting always fits the page within the available imposition slot, regardless of the gutter or sheet size.
- Changing rows and columns or sheet size affects the scaled size. Changing the gutter size affects the scaled size. The **Scale to fit** setting scales down, not up.

## Set gangup methods in Fiery Impose Plus

You can choose a gangup method in Fiery Impose Plus. Depending on the gangup style, some sgangup methods may not be available.

- Select one of the following gangup methods in the **Layout Style** list:
  - **Standard**
  - **Head to head**
  - **Foot to foot**
  - **Reversal**
  - **Reversal Alternate**

## Combining gangup styles with gangup methods

Which gangup styles and methods you can use together depends on whether the job format is PostScript, PDF, or VDP.

The following table shows which gangup styles and methods you can use together for normal jobs in PostScript or PDF format.

Gangup styles	Standard	Head to Head	Foot to Foot	Reversal	Reversal Alternate
Repeat	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Gangup styles	Standard	Head to Head	Foot to Foot	Reversal	Reversal Alternate
Unique	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Unique-Collate Cut	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Repeat-Collate Cut	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

The following table shows which gangup styles and methods you can use together for VDP jobs.

Gangup styles	Standard	Head to Head	Foot to Foot	Reversal	Reversal Alternate
Repeat	Yes	No	No	No	No
Unique	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Unique-Collate Cut	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Repeat-Collate Cut	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Multi-Record Collate	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Cut and Stack	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Duplo - Short Edge Feed	Yes	No	No	No	No
Duplo - Long Edge Feed	Yes	No	No	No	No

Standard style is the only layout style supported for variable data printing gangup repeat jobs. All layout styles are supported for non-variable data printing jobs in PostScript or PDF format submitted to Command WorkStation through the Import function or printer driver. For jobs submitted through Hot Folders, Fiery Impose Plus cannot distinguish between variable data printing and non-variable data printing jobs, so **Standard** is the only **Gangup** repeat style supported for variable data printing and non-variable data printing jobs.

## Specify Layout Row & Column settings for Gangup

You can specify the number of rows and columns for Gangup.

- Do one of the following to specify rows and columns for the **Layout Row & Column** option:
  - Click the arrow buttons up or down to choose a value in the field.
  - Type the desired value in each field

**Note:** You can add up to 25 rows and columns.

## Specify Repeat Booklet finish feature

The **Repeat Booklet** allows step-and-repeat printing of two identical booklets on one sheet for offline finishing, not inline finishing. **Repeat Booklet** requires a layout of two rows by two columns.

- 1 Select **Booklet** for the product intent.
- 2 Select **2 X 2 Repeat Booklet** in the **Layout Row & Column** option.

## Gangup imposition methods for VDP jobs

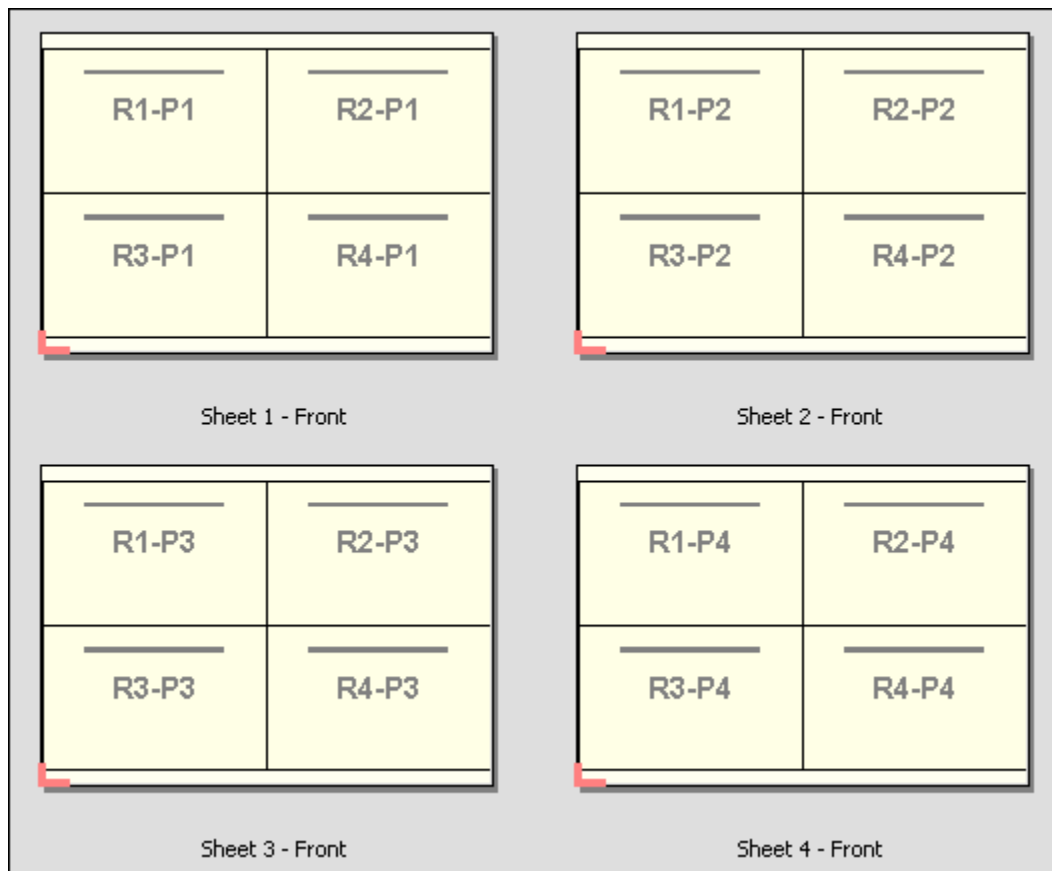
For Variable Data Printing (VDP) jobs, you can use single-record or multiple-record imposition methods.

- **Single-Record Imposition** can use **Gangup repeat**, **Gangup unique**, **Unique-Collate Cut**, or **Repeat-Collate Cut**. See [Gangup printing in Fiery Impose Plus](#) on page 26.
- **Multiple Record Imposition** can use **Multi-Record Collate**, **Cut and Stack**, or **Stack size**.

### Multi-Record Collate

**Multi-Record Collate** places pages from different records sequentially on the sheet surface. The first page from each record is placed on the sheet surface until all the records are exhausted. Then a new sheet is started, and the second page from each record is placed until all the records are exhausted. The process is repeated until all the pages are placed.

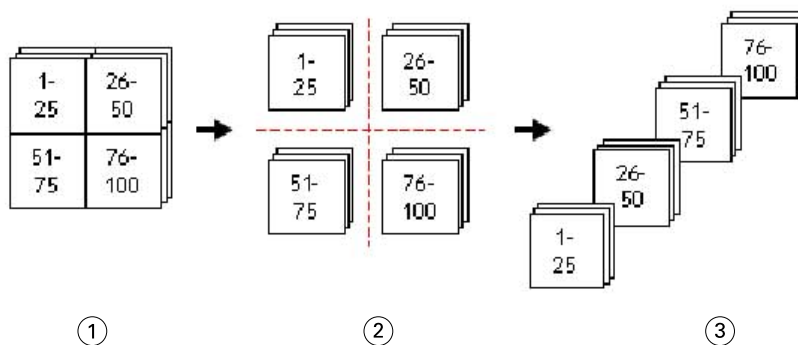
The following preview shows a 2-by-2, simplex, **Multi-Record Collate** layout applied to a VDP job that contains four records. The records consist of four pages each. "R" stands for Record, and "P" for Page. For example, "R1 P1" is Page 1 for Record 1.



## Cut and Stack

**Cut and Stack** arranges pages on the sheet surface so that the sheets can be stacked and cut, and the cut piles stacked without any additional sorting. The **Cut and Stack** layout can be used with the **Stack size** option.

The following example shows a 2-by-2, simplex, **Cut and Stack** layout applied to a VDP job that contains 100 records. Each record consists of one page. When the sheets are stacked, cut, and stacked again, the records are arranged in sequential order.



1 Print

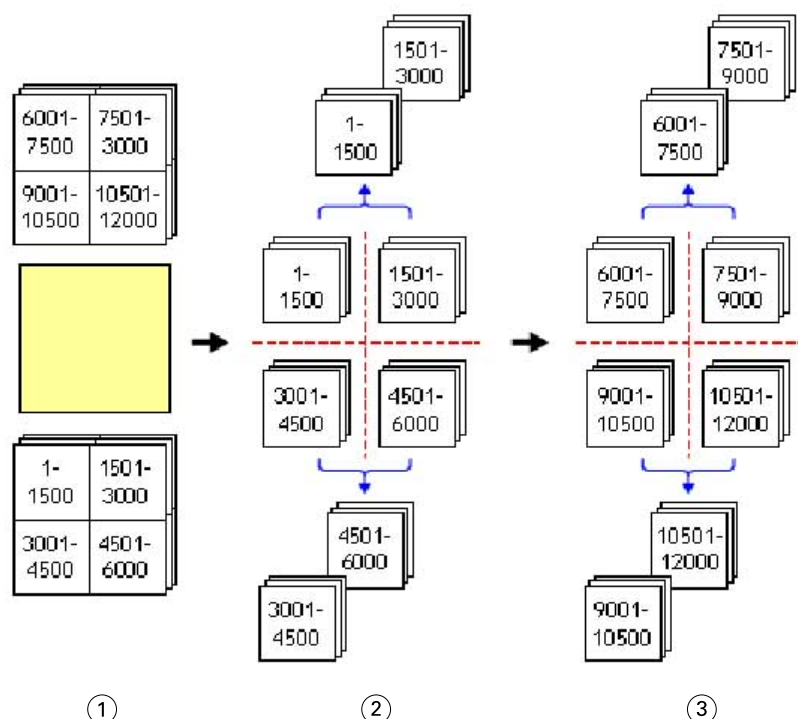
2 Cut

3 Stack

## Stack size

**Stack size** divides large VDP jobs into smaller batches to simplify the resulting **Cut and Stack** workflow. This lets you limit the stacked sheets to quantities that are accommodated by standard cutting machines. Each batch is imposed independently using the **Cut and Stack** layout, and separator sheets are placed in between the batches. (The **Stack size** option is only available when you choose the **Cut and Stack** layout.)

The following example shows a 2-by-2, simplex, **Cut and Stack** layout applied to a VDP job that contains 12000 records, each consisting of a single page. This results in 3000 sheets. The **Stack size** option is set to 1500 sheets per batch. The resulting layout consists of two batches, each of which can be cut, sorted, stacked, and packed in tandem.



- 1 Print
- 2 Cut first pile and pack
- 3 Cut second pile and pack

## Imposition settings

Fiery Impose Plus lets you set print job options including finish size, sheet size, duplex, scaling, cover media, layout orientation, bleeds, and printer's marks.

The settings that are displayed in the **Settings** pane are determined by the product intent you choose. See [Choose a product intent workflow](#) on page 38.

## Choose a product intent workflow

Fiery Impose Plus supports a variety of workflows (product intents). When you choose a product intent, the **Settings** pane changes to show the options relevant to that product intent.

1 Click the arrow in the product intent box at the top of the **Settings** pane under **Template**.

2 Select one of the following product intents:

- **Normal**
- **Booklet**
- **Gangup**

3 Select any product intent style and method.

For example, if you chose **Booklet** for the product intent, choose the binding method and the binding side. If you chose **Gangup** for the product intent, choose the gangup option and the binding side.

4 If the **Finish Size** menu is displayed, choose a finish size.

The **Normal** and **Booklet** intents include a **Finish Size** setting that allows you to choose between a crop box finish size workflow and a user-defined finish size workflow. The **Gangup** intent includes an the **Based on Trim Box** setting for the **Finish Size** option.

## Finish size options for Fiery Impose Plus

**Finish Size** sets the size of the final product after printing and applying finishing processes such as trimming, folding, or binding.

The default workflow is **Based on Crop Box**.

The possible workflows are:

- **Based on Crop Box** - The layout of the job is referenced to the Adobe PDF crop box. You must manually set the bleed size for the selected document page content. In this finish size workflow, you must manually estimate the finish size of the final product by subtracting bleed size from the size of the crop box.
- **User Defined** - The final finish size and bleed size are automatically detected for the PDF job, but you can change both settings. The page content is aligned in the center of the media. In the **User Defined** finish size workflow, the finish size is a static value independent of bleed, crop box, or document page size. The original bleed sizes are automatically detected.
- **Based on Trim Box** - This is an automated workflow that dynamically creates the layout for different smaller-sized items (such as business cards, postcards, or concert tickets) on a larger-sized sheet (such as 11x17). You can create one hot folder per sheet size and drop in different smaller-sized items. Automatic orientation determines the best orientation, so that the maximum number of items can be printed. This workflow applies only to gangup jobs.

When you change the finish size to **Based on Trim Box**, the layout orientation is automatically set to **Automatic**. **Automatic** calculates the number of items that can be printed in either portrait and landscape and then uses the orientation that maximizes the sheet space. For example, if you print business cards that are 3.5x2 inches on a 12x18 sheet, there could be 24 business cards in portrait (eight rows and three columns), or 25 business cards in landscape (five rows and five columns). The **Automatic** setting chooses landscape, which is the orientation that produces the most business cards. **Automatic** is not available for other finish size workflows.

The minimum dimension you can enter for the final finish size is 0.25 inches. The maximum depends on the paper size supported by the printer.

### Advantages of the User Defined finish size

The user-defined finish size is based on the trim size specified in the original content. You specify the finish size and Fiery Impose Plus automatically positions the page content in the center of each sheet.

If the job being imposed comprises content positioned differently on each page, each with a different crop size, selecting the user-defined finish size allows Fiery Impose Plus to automatically pick up the trim size set in the Adobe PDF.

With the crop box finish size workflow, the user must figure out the bleeds and do some manipulation to place the page content correctly for the imposition layout.

### Advantage of the Based on Trim Box finish size

An advantage of the **Based on Trim Box** finish size, particularly with automated workflows such as Hot Folders, Virtual Printers, and Presets, is the automatic recalculation of rows and columns if you change the size of the PDF image. Automatic layout orientation maximizes the number of products (such as business cards). If you change the sheet size when setting up the workflow in Fiery Impose Plus, the layout updates.

## Set sheet size in Fiery Impose Plus

The default **Sheet** setting applies to all sheets (signatures) and defines the dimension of the intended imposition layout. Special sheet size assignments can be defined in Substrate Catalog.

- 1 Select the dimensions of a sheet of paper in the **Sheet** menu.  
You can also type the desired size directly into the **Sheet** option menu.
- 2 Click **Edit** to specify other media settings, such as weight and color mode.
- 3 If Media Catalog or Substrate Catalog is supported, select **Choose from Media Catalog** or **Choose from Substrate Catalog** from the **Media** menu.
- 4 If Substrate Catalog is supported, select **Choose from Substrate Catalog** from the **Media** menu.

## Duplex settings in Fiery Impose Plus

**Duplex** sets how to handle content on opposing sides of a sheet. **Duplex** options depend on the connected Fiery server.

Fiery Impose Plus automatically applies duplex settings for the selected binding method. The **Duplex** setting in Fiery Impose Plus overrides any **Duplex** setting performed in Command WorkStation **Job Properties**.

**Perfactor** is an option available with duplex printing. When you select **Perfactor**, the sheet that is fed into the printer is turned upside down after printing on one side of the sheet. In the **Sheet View** pane, the back side of the sheet is rotated by 180 degrees. When the sheet is turned upside down, the gripper changes the gripping edge on the sheet. The **Perfactor** option is enabled only when you set the **Duplex** option to **Double-sided Perfector**.

- Select one of the following:
  - **Single-sided** - turns off duplex printing and uses simplex printing.
  - **Double-sided Sheetwise** - turns off the **Perfactor** option and rotates the back side of a double-sided job by 180 degrees horizontally.



## Scale settings in Fiery Impose Plus

**Scale** settings enlarge or shrink the page by a specified amount.

In a **Normal** product intent, the **Scale** settings apply to all pages in a job. In **Booklet** and **Gangup** product intents, you can apply scaling to specific slots on sheets. The number of slots on a sheet depends on the **Row** and **Column** values. The slot size equals the maximum imageable area of the sheet divided by the number of slots.

The **User-Defined Finish Size** workflow provides more scale options than the **Crop-Box Finish Size** workflow.

The **Use non-printable area** option uses the selected sheet's full physical dimensions for imposing your print job. This is helpful when creating custom templates that you may want to use with a variety of presses.

When this option is not selected, Fiery Impose Plus determines position and scale factor of the imposed job by the imageable area of the final printed sheet, according to the printer. This constraint may prevent a custom template being used with another printer.

**Note:** The **Layout Rows & Columns** values interact with the **Scale** settings. If you choose a value that causes content to extend beyond the edge of the sheet, Fiery Impose Plus provides a visual warning.

## Specify the scale settings

You can specify scaling, scale to fit, or prevent scaling using the default setting, **Based on Crop Box**, for the **Finish Size** option. The **User Defined** finish size workflow provides more scaling options, letting you fit or fill the page image to the static boundary of the finish size or bleed.

- 1 Select a setting from the **Scale** menu.
- 2 If you chose **Custom**, type a scale value in the **Scale Factor** text field.
- 3 To use the selected sheet's full physical dimensions for imposing your print job, select the **Use non-printable area** check box if it is available.

## Set the cover media

You can set whether to include a cover and specify its settings.

- 1 Select the **Cover** check box to include a cover.
- 2 Choose whether to apply the same settings for both front and back covers, specify settings only for the front cover, or specify separate settings for the front and back covers in the **Cover Media** window.
- 3 Click **OK** to apply your settings.

You can click **Define** to open the **Cover Media** window again and change your settings.

## Set the layout orientation

You can use the **Layout Orientation** menu in the **Settings** pane to specify the orientation of a sheet.

1 In the **Layout Orientation** menu, select one of the following:

- **Portrait**
- **Landscape**

2 If the booklet style is **Nested Saddle**, specify the **Subset size** option, which is the number of sheets within each subset.

The number of sheets for the last subset is not a fixed number, and Fiery Impose Plus adjusts the sheets needed according to the actual page count of the job. The default **sheet(s)/subset** setting for the **Subset size** option is **2** and the maximum value is **15**.

## Bleeds for workflows in Fiery Impose Plus

How Fiery Impose Plus applies bleeds depends on the workflow you set.

- For the **Based on Crop Box** finish size workflow, the **Bleed** option moves the trim marks into the image by the amount you specify to ensure that the printed area extends beyond the edge of the trimmed sheet. You can specify separate bleed amounts for the left or right (horizontal) and top or bottom (vertical) edges of the page content.
- For the **User Defined** finish size workflow, the **Bleed** option represents the amount of page content to be shown beyond the boundary of the finish size. The trim marks adjust automatically and remain aligned to the edge of the finish size. When a job is opened in Fiery Impose Plus and the **User Defined** setting is selected for **Finish Size** option, the dimensions of the finish size and the bleeds are automatically entered, but you can change the settings.

## Set bleeds

Fiery Impose Plus lets you set horizontal and vertical bleeds.

- Do one of the following:
  - To specify separate horizontal and vertical bleed amounts for a job, enter values from 0 to 720 points, 0 to 10 inches, or 0 to 254 mm in the appropriate fields.
  - To apply the same bleed values to all four edges of the page content, click the **Apply Both** check box and type a value.

## Offset the layout

Using the **Layout Offset** option, you can specify the distance between the edge of the sheet and the layout trim box on all four sides of the sheet. The **Layout Offset** option repositions the layout on the sheet, where the size of the layout area remains unchanged.

**Note:** The offset values specified in the **Layout Offset** window are applied to all sheets in the job.

**Note:** The **Layout Offset** option in the **Marks** window, in the **Registration Mark and Barcode** tab, cannot be used with conjunction with the **Layout Offset** option in the **Settings** pane. If you specify the offset values in the **Settings** pane, Fiery Impose Plus automatically disables the **Layout Offset** option in the **Marks** window.

- 1 In Fiery Impose Plus, in the **Settings** pane, click **Define** for the **Layout Offset** option.
- 2 Specify the offset values in the **Layout Offset** window.
- 3 Do one of the following:
  - If the specified values are correct, click **OK** to apply the changes.
  - If the specified value are incorrect, click **Reset** to discard the changes.
  - If you do not want to offset the layout, click **Cancel**.
- 4 If the offset values applied are incorrect and you want to undo the applied offset, select **Edit > Undo Layout Offset**.

## Set margins

Margin is the distance between the sheet edge and the layout edge. You can set your desired margins on the sheet to leave enough space on any side of the sheet.

Using **Custom** margin, you can specify different margin values on all four edges of the sheet and use the additional space on the sheet for the finisher gripper to hold the sheet for processing.

- In Fiery Impose Plus, in the **Settings** pane, select one of the following in the **Margin** option.
  - **Default** - sets the margins automatically to the default values. The default values accommodate the non-printable area.

**Note:** The space available between the sheet edge and the layout edge is the non-printable area.

- **Use Non-printable area** - sets the margins automatically to zero. If you select this option, the layout edges align with the sheet edges using the non-printable area, thus allowing for printing to the edge of the sheet. All margins display a zero value.

**Note:** The sheet's non-printable area is a device dependent value. If you select **Use Non-printable area** option, clipping may occur in the final printing result.

- **Custom** - allows you to manually set the margins to your desired values. If you select this option, you can manually specify the left, right, top, and bottom margin values. The **Custom** option allows you to leave enough space around the layout to accommodate finisher-related requirements.

**Note:** Margins specified are applied to all pages in a job.

## Set printer's marks in Fiery Impose Plus

Fiery Impose Plus allows you to set printer's marks. You can also turn on or turn off marks and individual elements of the job label.

A dotted line defines the location of a fold on a layout called a fold mark; a solid line defines the location of a cut called a trim mark. Specialized marks also define the size and locations of margins (space surrounding the page's content area), gutters (space between pages), and bleeds (extensions of content beyond a trim mark), used to ensure that the printed area extends to the very edges of a trimmed page. You can choose between standard style trim marks or Japanese style marks.

- Use printer's marks to add trim, fold, and job information to all sheets in a job. The printer's marks option turns printer's marks on globally throughout a job. Layouts display only the relevant printer's marks. If the layout does not require folding the sheet, fold marks are not displayed, even if you selected them.
- Use the **Marks** window to turn on or turn off trim marks, fold marks, and the individual elements of the job label.

**Note:** Printer's marks in the **User Defined** finish size workflow always align to the edge of the finish size.

## About named sets of marks in the Marks menu

Named sets of marks can be saved to your local computer or can be a unique set of marks for a specific job.

Names in the **Marks** menu can be:

- **None** - no marks to be applied.
- A list of names that you used when saving sets of marks on your local computer.

**Note:** By default, names are sorted in alphanumeric ascending order.

- **Custom** - marks that are unique to the job or have not been saved as a named set of marks on your local computer.

If you open a job with a named set of marks (called, for example, "Blue Marks") and then you use the **Marks** menu to change one of the settings, the changed set of marks is no longer named "Blue Marks" and is instead named "Custom". If you save this changed set of marks, you can give the set a new name. If you try to name it "Blue Marks", Fiery Impose Plus asks you whether you want to overwrite the existing set named "Blue Marks".

If you change the settings in "Blue Marks" after saving a job, when you next opens that job, the name of the set of marks shows as "Custom". If you delete a named set of marks after saving a job, when you next open that job, the name of the set of marks shows as "Custom" but the settings in the job are not lost.

**Note:** The named sets of marks that you create are saved on your local computer. Names of sets of marks do not transfer between user computers. For example, you can create a set of marks called "Blue Marks" on your local computer and assign it to a job. Another user opens that job on her local computer. Even if the other user also has a set of marks called "Blue Marks" on her computer, the set of marks in your job still shows as "Custom" in the **Marks** menu on her computer.

## Name, save, and reuse sets of marks

You can apply mark settings and name, save, and reuse sets of marks, including style, horizontal length, vertical length, stroke type, stroke width, and stroke color.

- 1 Select **Define** in the **Marks** menu.
- 2 In the **Marks** window that appears, add printer marks or custom objects onto the sheet layout, and click **Save**.  
A message appears asking you to name the set of marks.
- 3 Name the set of marks. This name will appear in the **Marks** menu in the future, allowing you to use the named set of marks for future jobs.
- 4 Click **OK** in the **Marks** window to apply the set of marks to the current job.  
To delete a set of marks, select the set that you want to delete from the **Marks** menu, and click the trash can icon.

## Define printer's marks

You can use the **Marks** window to set printer's marks.

- 1 In the **Settings** pane, click the **Marks** menu and select **Define**.
- 2 Use the **Trim**, **Fold**, **Job Label**, **Blank Page Text**, and **Registration Mark and Barcode** tabs to specify settings.

**Note:** The **Job Label** for VDP jobs displays different information than for non-VDP jobs.

## Set trim marks

You can use the **Trim** tab to set trim marks.

- 1 Click the **Trim** tab.
- 2 Select the **Print trim marks** check box.
- 3 Select from the **Style** menu:
  - **Standard** - prints the marks in a standard western style format (single marks at the corners). This is the default setting.
  - **Japanese** - prints marks in a Japanese style format (marks at the corner and in the center of each side of the page).  
If the bleed value is 0, the Japanese marks are one line, similar to the standard style. If a bleed value is set, two corner marks are displayed, to indicate the trim and the bleed.
- 4 Set the following for the printed trim marks:
  - Set the horizontal and vertical mark length from 1 to 216 points.
  - Set dotted or solid for **Stroke type**.
  - Set **Stroke width** from 1/4 to 3 points.

- Set **Stroke color**.
- In the horizontal and vertical **Offset** fields, enter values from –72 to +72 points, –1.0 to 1.0 inch, or –25.4 to 25.4 mm.

## Set Fold marks

You can set fold mark length and appearance, and disable individual marks in the **Fold** tab.

- 1 In the **Marks** window, click the **Fold** tab.
- 2 Select the **Print fold marks** check box.
- 3 Set any of the following:
  - Set the horizontal and vertical lengths of marks from 1 to 216 points.
  - Set **Stroke type** of fold marks to either dotted or solid.
  - Set **Stroke width** of fold marks from 1/4 to 3 points.
  - Set the **Stroke color**.

## Set job label attributes

You can set job label content and location in the **Job Label** tab. Job label content for VDP jobs differs from non-VDP jobs.

- 1 Click the **Job Label** tab.
- 2 Select any of the following check boxes to display the associated information on the job label:
  - **Print job label**
  - **Job Name**
  - **Sheet Info**
  - **Date & Time**

Note the following:

- Sheet information for standard jobs includes the sheet number and the surface information (front or back).
  - For VDP jobs, you can also click the **Output sheet number** check box, which displays the absolute sheet number. If the total number of printed sheets is 500, the absolute sheet number is from 1 to 500.
- 3 Click the area where you want to place the label.
  - 4 Click **Horizontal** or **Vertical** to set whether the job label is placed horizontal or vertical on the sheet.
  - 5 (Option) Type the offset X and Y values.

The offset is measured from the point of origin.

## Set blank page text

You can set what shows on implicit blank pages in the **Blank Page Text** tab.

- 1 Click the **Blank Page Text** tab.
- 2 Select the **Print blank page text** check box.
- 3 Type text you want to appear on any implicit blank pages.

## Set registration marks and barcode in Fiery Impose Plus

Your imposed layout can include a registration mark, a barcode, or both. These options allow automatic drift compensation and machine setup for the Duplo offline finisher.

The registration mark position determines the leading edge of the sheet, as the Duplo finisher requires the mark to be on the right of the leading edge of the upper surface of the sheet.

- 1 In Windows, select **Fiery Impose Plus > Edit > Preferences > Finishers**. On macOS, preferences are in the Fiery Command WorkStation menu within the **Impose Plus** window.
- 2 In the **Finishers** tab, click one of the following in the **Select device** field:
  - **Duplo DC-646 (2-digit barcode)**
  - **Duplo DC-646 (3-digit barcode)**
  - **Custom**
  - **[User-installed device profile name]**
- 3 In the Fiery Impose Plus **Settings** pane, select **Define** in the **Marks** list. The **Marks** window opens.
- 4 In the **Marks** window, click the **Registration Mark and Barcode** tab.
- 5 Click one of the following in the **Print** field:
  - **Do not print**, which is the default
  - **Registration mark only**
  - **Barcode only**
  - **Registration Mark and Barcode**

The options in this dropdown are displayed or hidden based on the device capabilities.

- 6 If you set **Registration mark only**, set the following:
  - **Position** - location of the registration mark on the sheet.
  - **Mark length** and **Mark width** - possible length is from 5 to 10 mm. The possible width is from 0.4 to 1.6 mm.

- **Mark Offset** - vertical and horizontal offset for the mark position. The default for both **feed edge** and **right edge** is 5 mm. The possible range is 3 to 15 mm for each.
- **Layout Offset** - amount to move the layout away from the feed edge of the sheet to accommodate the registration mark and barcode. The possible range is 0 to 30 mm.

**7** If you set **Barcode only**, set the following:

- **Position** - barcode location on the sheet.
- The **Barcode Text** and **Barcode Type** values vary based on the device selected in **Edit > Preferences > Finishers > Select device**.
  - If you set **Duplo DC-646 (2-digit barcode)** in **Edit > Preferences > Finishers > Select device**, set the following:
    - **Barcode Type** - default is Code 39
    - **Barcode Text** - a two-digit number from 01 to 80
  - If you set **Duplo DC-646 (3-digit barcode)** in **Edit > Preferences > Finishers > Select device**, set the following:
    - **Barcode Type** - default is Code 39
    - **Barcode Text** - a three-digit number up to 250
  - If you set **Custom** in **Edit > Preferences > Finishers > Select device**, set the following:
    - **Barcode Type** - Code 39 or Code 128
    - **Barcode Text** - supports a combination alphanumeric characters and special characters. The special characters allowed are hyphens, periods, dollar signs, forward slashes, plus sign, percent signs, and spaces.
  - If you select a [user-installed device profile name] in **Edit > Preferences > Finishers > Select device**, the **Barcode Type** and **Barcode Text** values must be set according to the device specification provided by the device manufacturer.
- **Print Text** - prints the numerical representation of the barcode on the sheet.
- **Mark Offset** - vertical and horizontal offset for the barcode position. The default for **feed edge** is 5 mm, and the possible range is 3 to 15 mm. The default for **right edge** is 25 mm, and the possible range is 25 mm to 42 mm.
- **Layout Offset** - amount to move the layout away from the feed edge of the sheet to accommodate the registration mark and barcode. The possible range is 0 to 30 mm.

**8** If you specified **Registration Mark and Barcode**, specify the settings in the **Registration** pane as described in steps 6 on page 47 and 7 on page 48.

The settings apply for both registration marks and barcodes. In the **Barcode** pane, specify the text and whether to print the text.

**9** Select **Print mark on front surface of sheet only**, if required.



## Specify booklet settings in Fiery Impose Plus

Booklet settings include binding settings for booklet product intent, rows and columns, and creep (the shift of the content area caused by the incremental fold of signatures in Saddle and Nested Saddle binding).

### Specify binding settings for Booklet

You can specify a binding method and edge options. The binding method affects the order in which pages are placed on the sheet. There are no binding selections available for layouts with more than two columns or rows.

**1** Set one of the following binding methods:

- **Saddle**
- **Nested Saddle**
- **Perfect**

**2** Set one of the following binding edge options:

- **Left binding**
- **Right binding**
- **Top binding**

**Note:** Top edge binding is available only when the layout setting is either two rows by one column or two rows by two columns.

### Specify row and column settings for booklet product intent

For booklet **Layout Row & Column** settings, you can specify **1 x 2**, **2 x 2**, or **2 x 2 Repeat Booklet**.

**1** Select the **Layout Row & Column** menu.

**2** Select **1 x 2**, **2 x 2**, or **2 x 2 Repeat Booklet**.

Which settings are available depends on the binding style.

**3** Select the **Align to center** check box to define the initial placement of the page content.

If specifying a creep setting, and selecting **In**, you can use **Align to center** to space the imposed page or specify a gutter to indicate the amount of creep.

## Styles available for edge-binding options

The following table shows which **Style** settings can be used with the edge binding options. These are applicable for PostScript or PDF jobs, but not for VDP jobs.

**Note:** For the **Repeat Booklet** binding layout, the **Style** setting modifies the orientation of the booklets. For **Gangup** layouts, the **Style** setting modifies the orientation of the pages.

Binding Method	Standard	Head to Head	Foot to Foot	Reversal	Reversal Alternate
Left Edge Binding	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
Right Edge Binding	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
Top Edge Binding	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes

## Specify creep settings

For the **Creep** option, you set a direction and sheet thickness.

- In the **Creep** menu, select one of the direction settings:
  - None** - Creep adjustment is not applied.
  - In** - The positions of pages on the outermost sheet remain constant. The positions of the remaining pages on all other sheets move toward the spine.
  - Out** - The positions of pages on the innermost sheet remain constant. The positions of the remaining pages on all other sheets move away from the spine.
- Set sheet thickness by doing one of the following:
  - Click an option in the creep adjustment menu.
  - Type a custom thickness value between 0 pt. and 2 pt. or the equivalent in another measurement unit.

## Automatic page rotation for imposed, mixed-orientation jobs

The Automatic page rotation feature lets you easily create a booklet, or another finished job, from a mixture of landscape and portrait pages. You can easily arrange the booklet so that the orientation of all pages is the same and no page content is clipped.

This feature works with Normal, Gangup, and Booklet workflows using either user-defined or based on trim box finish size. It does not work with VDP workflows or custom rotation.

- In the Fiery Impose Plus **Settings** pane, create a booklet by selecting **Booklet** (with the defaults, **Saddle** and **Left**), and set the **Finish Size** to **User Defined**.
- Select the sheet size.

- 3 In the **Auto Page Rotation** menu, select one of the following auto rotation directions:
  - 90 degrees clockwise
  - 90 degrees counter-clockwise
- 4 Under **Scale**, select **Fit finish size proportionally**.
- 5 Click the save icon at the top of the **Settings** pane.
- 6 Type a name for the template and save as a regular imposed job.
- 7 Click **OK**.
- 8 Close the job without saving it.
- 9 Open Hot Folders.
- 10 Click **New** to create a new hot folder.
- 11 Type a name for the hot folder in the **Hot Folder Settings** window.
- 12 Click **Select** and then click **Connect** to connect to a Fiery server.
- 13 Select **Process and Hold** in the **Job action** menu.
- 14 Select **Define** for the **Job Properties** option.
- 15 In the **Job Properties** window, select **Layout > Impose**.
- 16 Select the template that you created for the **Templates** option.
- 17 Click **OK**.
- 18 In the **Hot Folder Settings** window, click **OK**.

The hot folder is created on the desktop.
- 19 On the desktop, drag the job with mixed page orientations into the hot folder.
- 20 Go to the Fiery server. The job should appear there and be processed.

## Modify pages manually in Fiery Impose Plus

When you use Fiery Impose Plus, you can manually rotate, edit reorder, insert, and delete pages.

## Rotate pages

In the **Sheet View** pane, you can only rotate pages in wire frame mode.

- Do any of the following:
  - To rotate a single page, click the **Rotate** icon on that page.  
If you zoomed out too far, you may not see the **Rotate** icon. You can zoom in until the icon becomes visible.
  - To rotate all pages in the job, press the **Shift** and **Ctrl** keys and click the **Rotate** icon on any page.
  - To rotate all pages in a certain location on the front side of each duplex sheet, press the **Shift** key and click the **Rotate** icon on any page in that location on any sheet.
  - To rotate all pages in a certain location on the front and back sides of each duplex sheet, press the **Ctrl** key (Windows) or **Cmd** key (macOS) and click the **Rotate** icon on any page in that location on any sheet.

## Open a job for editing in Acrobat

Fiery Impose Plus can open a job for editing in Adobe Acrobat Pro.

- Right-click a page in the **Page View** pane and then click **Edit in Acrobat**.

## Reorder pages

You can reorder individual pages manually by arranging them in the main window.

- In the **Page View** pane, select the thumbnail you want to move, and then drag the page to its new position.

## Insert blank pages manually

You can add a blank page to your layout.

- Select the page in the **Page View** pane where you want to add a page, and then click the **Insert Blank Page** icon in the **Page View** toolbar.

## Delete pages

You can quickly delete pages.

- Right-click a page in the **Page View** pane and choose **Delete** from the menu that appears.

## VDP in Fiery Impose Plus

In Fiery Impose Plus, Variable Data Printing (VDP) imposition uses many of the features available for a normal imposition job. However, there are differences between VDP and normal imposition, and differences in the Fiery Impose Plus window.

A Variable Data Printing (VDP) job consists of one or more variable-data records.

**Note:** For information on supported VDP formats in Fiery Impose Plus, see the documentation that accompanies your printer.

You can impose VDP jobs using custom templates created in Fiery Impose Plus.

When you apply a template to a VDP job, the template's imposition layout is applied in sequence to each record in the job.

- Each record begins on a new sheet.
- If a record does not fill the sheet completely, Fiery Impose Plus inserts one or more blank pages to compensate for remaining slots on the sheet surface.
- The number of pages in each record can vary. Fiery Impose Plus inserts blank pages to compensate for differences in page length among records.

## Open or preview a VDP job

You can open a VDP job from the Job Center **Held** list. To preview a processed VDP job, use the **Raster Preview** window.

- Do one of the following:
  - To open a VDP job, right-click it in the Job Center **Held** list.
  - To preview an open VDP job, use the **Raster Preview** window (**Actions > Preview**).

Previews include any imposition settings applied to the job. The job content display is actual size, organized by records or finished sets.

## Imposing a VDP job

Imposition settings apply to each page of the VDP job. Many VDP imposition settings are similar to those for a non-VDP job.

**Note:** **Normal**, **Booklet**, and **Gangup** are the workflows (product intents) available for VDP imposition.

When you impose a VDP job, note that:

- The **Sheet Size** menu includes the currently selected sheet size and most recently used sheet sizes.
- The **Template** menu lets you select a custom template created with Fiery Impose Plus.
- When you create a custom template in the **VDP Imposition** window, you must have a VDP job open to access the VDP-only features.

## Print control strips for VDP jobs

A control strip identifies absolute surface number, output-set number, surface number relative to start of output-set, and logical pages for each record.

- Click **Marks** and then click **Define**.

## Specify booklet, scale, or bleeds for VDP imposition

VDP imposition settings for multi-up booklet, bleeds, and scale differ slightly from the settings for a standard Fiery Impose Plus job.

## Set multi-up booklet for VDP jobs

You can specify a **2 x 2 Unique Booklet** when you select **Saddle** for a VDP job. This lets you print two records on a sheet. For records of different lengths, Fiery Impose Plus automatically adds blank pages based on pagination requirements.

You can save the settings as a preset that you can select from Virtual Printers or Hot Folders.

- 1 Select a job in the **Held** list in Command WorkStation and open Fiery Impose Plus in one of the following ways:
  - Select **Impose Plus** from the **Actions** menu.
  - Right-click the job and select **Impose Plus**.
- 2 In the **Impose Plus** window, click **Booklet** for the product intent, and **Saddle** for the binding type.
- 3 Select one of the following binding styles:
  - **Left**
  - **Right**
  - **Top**
- 4 Click **Edit** to specify sheet size for the **Sheet** option.
- 5 Click **Cover** to specify cover settings.
- 6 In the **Cover Media** window, select one of the following for the **Front Cover** and **Back Cover** options:
  - **None**
  - **Inside**
  - **Outside**
  - **Both Sides**
- 7 Click **OK**.
- 8 Specify the **Layout Orientation**.

9 Select **2 x 2 Unique Booklet** for the **Layout Row & Column** option.

**Note:** **2 x 2 Unique** booklet is only available for VDP jobs. If you are imposing a PostScript or PDF job, and using the same template, the setting defaults to **2 x 2 Repeat** booklet.

10 Specify other settings as required.

## Set bleeds or scaling in VDP imposition

Setting bleeds in VDP imposition affects trim mark location. By default, Fiery Impose Plus places the trim marks at the edge of the image. If you apply bleed values for VDP imposition, the trim marks are offset automatically by the amount of the bleed.

- Do any of the following:
  - For **Bleed**, enter the bleed values in the **Horizontal** and **Vertical** fields.
  - In the **Scale** pane, from the **Scaling** menu, select **Scale to Fit**, **100%**, or **Custom**.  
If you chose **Custom**, enter a scale factor in the **Scale Factor** field.

## Gangup settings for VDP imposition

For VDP imposition, you can process **Gangup** printing at either the page level or the record level.

Choose one of the following:

- Single Record Mode** - Applies imposition to one record at the same time. Fiery Impose Plus performs **Gangup** operation to pages within a single record.
- Multiple Records Mode** - Applies imposition to multiple records at a time. Fiery Impose Plus performs **Gangup** operation to pages from multiple records.

Gangup	VDP Options VDP Gangup	Availability	Earlier version of Fiery Impose Plus equivalent
Unique	Single Record Mode Multiple Records Mode	Enabled Enabled	Unique Multiple Records Gangup
Repeat	Single Record Mode Multiple Records Mode	Enabled N/A	Repeat N/A
Unique-Collate Cut	Single Record Mode Multiple Records Mode	Enabled Enabled	Unique-Collate Cut Stack and Cut
Repeat-Collate Cut	Single Record Mode Multiple Records Mode	Enabled N/A	Repeat-Collate Cut N/A

Gangup	VDP Options VDP Gangup	Availability	Earlier version of Fiery Impose Plus equivalent
Duplo - Short Edge Feed	Single Record Mode	N/A	N/A
	Multiple Records Mode	Enabled	N/A
Duplo - Long Edge Feed	Single Record Mode	N/A	N/A
	Multiple Records Mode	Enabled	N/A

## Single Record Imposition for VDP jobs

With **Single Record Imposition**, each record within a VDP job is imposed one record at a time. The same imposition scheme is repeated for every record.

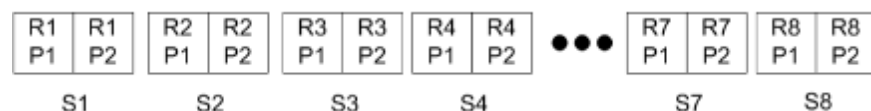
Any imposed sheet (signature) contains pages from a single record only, and blank pages are inserted if pages from the record cannot completely fill the sheet.

**Single Record Imposition** for VDP jobs supports **Repeat Gangup**, **Unique Gangup**, and **Unique-Collate Cut**.

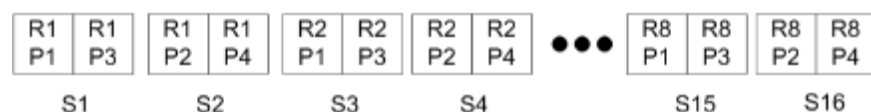
**Figure 1:** Example of single-record imposition using Repeat Gangup for 8 records, 2 pages per record, 1 row x 2 columns layout, simplex. R = Record, P = Page, S = Sheet.



**Figure 2:** Example of single-record imposition using Unique Gangup for 8 records, 2 pages per record, 1 row x 2 columns layout, simplex. R = Record, P = Page, S = Sheet.

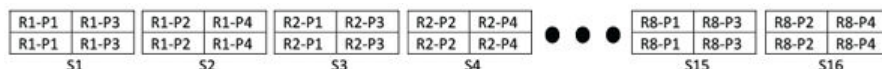


**Figure 3:** Example of single-record imposition using Unique-Collate Cut for 8 records, 4 pages per record, 1 row x 2 columns layout, simplex. R = Record, P = Page, S = Sheet.





**Figure 4:** Example of single-record imposition using Repeat-Collate Cut for 8 records, 4 pages per record, 2 rows x 2 columns layout, 1 row x 2 columns product, simplex. R = Record, P = Page, S = Sheet.

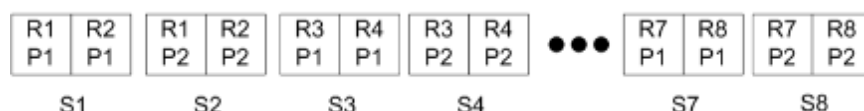


## Multiple Records Imposition for VDP jobs

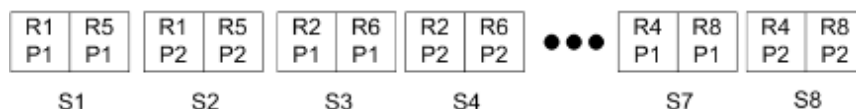
With **Multiple Records Imposition**, multiple records within a VDP job are imposed onto one sheet. Multiple records are processed at the same time.

**Multiple Records Imposition** for VDP jobs supports **Multi-record Collate** and **Cut and Stack**. **Cut and Stack** allows you to position multiple records on the sheets so that the cut piles can be quickly stacked without further sorting. For a large job with many records, you can divide the job into sets for easier handling.

**Figure 5:** Example of Multi-Record Collate for 8 records, 2 pages per record, 1 row x 2 columns layout, simplex. R = Record, P = Page, S = Sheet



**Figure 6:** Example of Cut and Stack for 8 records, 2 pages per record, 1 row x 2 columns layout, simplex. R = Record, P = Page, S = Sheet



## Duplo VDP Gangup

**Duplo VDP Gangup** layouts support the pagination scheme for the sheet-fed Duplo slitter/cutter/creaser finishing equipment. The Duplo gangup scheme creates pagination that lets you finish the printed sheets sequentially sheet by sheet.

**Note:** For **Duplo Gangup** layouts, the **Style** setting is unavailable, and you cannot specify a **Front Cover** or a **Back Cover**.

The available **Duplo Gangup** layouts are:

- **Duplo - Short Edge Feed** - Creates a pagination direction that lets you feed the final printed sheet into a Duplo finisher at the sheet's short edge.
- **Duplo - Long Edge Feed** - Creates a pagination direction that lets you feed the final printed sheet into a Duplo finisher at the sheet's long edge.

## Integration with multi-functional finishing devices

Fiery Impose Plus integrates with inline and offline multi-functional finishers that have slitter, cutter, creaser, and perforation capabilities. You can select a finishing device from **Fiery Impose Plus > Edit > Preferences > Finishers**. Depending on the finishing device that is selected, you can perform one or a combination of the following tasks:

- [Set a registration mark and barcode](#) on page 58
- [Apply a finisher preset](#) on page 58
- [Create a finisher preset](#) on page 61

**Note:** Tasks are device-dependent, and you can perform these tasks only if supported by the selected finishing device.

### Set a registration mark and barcode

Fiery Impose Plus allows the use of only those types of registration marks and barcodes that are supported by the selected finishing device. You can insert a registration mark and barcode on an imposed layout. For more information, see [Set registration marks and barcode in Fiery Impose Plus](#) on page 47.

### Apply a finisher preset

There are two types of presets that you can apply to jobs:

- Finisher layout files in .xml format that are available for offline finishers or finishers without direct integration with Fiery Impose Plus. These finisher layout files can be imported and saved as templates. For more information, see [About finisher layout files](#) on page 58.
- Existing presets that are available for inline finishers or finishers with a direct integration with Fiery Impose Plus. For more information, see [Apply an existing preset](#) on page 60.

With both methods of applying presets, the imposition settings applied to the job are identical to the settings of the finishing device.

### About finisher layout files

Finisher layout files contain information relating to layout settings that have been defined on the finisher. Some offline finishers support the export of layout settings to a finisher layout file.

When you export layout settings defined on a supported cut, trim, crease, or perforation finishing device to a finisher layout file, you can create Fiery Impose Plus templates with identical layout settings. When you save the new template, you can apply the layout settings to future jobs without manual setup on the finisher.

Note the following:







- The Apply Finisher Preset feature is supported only on some inline and offline finishers.
- Importing of batch finisher layout files is not supported.

- By default, when finisher layout files are imported, they are saved as **User Defined** finish size imposition templates. The finish size set in Fiery Impose Plus matches the dimensions of the cut block defined in the finisher layout file. Settings that modify the layout of the finish size imposition template are grayed out.
- When applying the template to a job, you can view the alignment of the page content and the finishing lines (fold and perforation line) in the Sheet View pane.

## Finisher lines

In addition to layout parameters, the finisher layout file that is exported also contains information about line types.

The following table provides a reference to the types of finisher lines:

Line type	Tool ID	Sample
Crease	0: down 1: up	
Perforation	0: perforation 1: micro-perforation 2: slit-score (half-cut) 3: score (crease)	   
Fold	N/A	

## Use a finisher layout file

- 1 Select a job in the **Held** list in Command WorkStation and open Fiery Impose Plus in one of the following ways:
  - Select **Impose Plus** from the **Actions** menu.
  - Right-click the job and select **Impose Plus**.
- 2 In Fiery Impose Plus, set preferences on:
  - Windows: **Edit > Preferences > Finishers**.
  - Mac computers: Preferences are under the Fiery Command WorkStation menu within the Fiery Impose Plus window.
- 3 Select the **Allow finisher integration** check box to specify settings in the **Finisher integration** section.  
You can clear this check box, when the finisher is not used.
- 4 In the **Finisher configuration** section, select the desired finisher from the **Select device** list.
- 5 Click **OK** and restart Fiery Impose Plus for the changes to take effect.
- 6 Select **Actions > Apply Finisher Preset** or alternatively, click the **Finisher Preset** button at the top of the **Settings** pane.

- 7 Browse to the location of the finisher layout file and click **Open**.

**Note:** When a finisher layout file is imported, additional information about finisher lines is also stored in the finisher layout file. Some of the layout settings that are controlled by the finisher layout file are grayed out. All settings are enabled when either the Impose template is saved or when you click **Clear layout**.

After the finisher layout file is successfully imported, the name of the finisher layout file is displayed at the top of the **Settings** pane, below the **Template** list.

- 8 Specify additional settings not included in finisher layout file, such as setting the page level to duplex or simplex or defining the scaling factor.
- 9 Save the finisher layout as a template, a regular imposed job, or a flattened PDF.

**Note:** If you do not modify the imported file name, it will be shown as the name of the template.

- 10 Apply the template to jobs with the same finish size and bleed size using either Fiery Impose Plus or workflows in Hot Folders, Server Presets, Virtual Printers, or Fiery JobFlow.

When applying the template to a job with Fiery Impose Plus, you can view the alignment of the page content and the fold and perforation finishing lines.

- 11 After importing the finisher layout file, click the **Show finisher layout lines** button on the toolbar to display the finisher lines.

If you save the template at the time of import, the finisher line information is saved along with the Fiery Impose Plus template and is available whenever the template is loaded.

## Apply an existing preset

To apply an existing finisher preset, you must first select the **Allow finisher integration** option and specify the finishing device in **Fiery Impose > Edit > Preferences > Finishers**. For more information, see [About user preferences](#) on page 9.

- 1 Select a job in the **Held** list in Command WorkStation and open Fiery Impose Plus in one of the following ways:
  - Select **Impose Plus** from the **Actions** menu.
  - Right-click the job and select **Impose Plus**.

- 2 In the Fiery Impose Plus **Settings** pane, click **Finisher Preset**.

The **Finisher Preset** window opens.

- 3 Select a finisher preset from the **Finisher preset** list.

**Note:** Other areas in the **Finisher Preset** window are read-only. For more information about the **Finisher Preset** window, see [Specifying settings in the Finisher Preset window](#) on page 63.

- 4 Click **Apply** to apply the selected finisher preset to a job.

When applying an existing preset, settings on the **Layout**, **Crease**, or **Perforation** tabs are read-only. After applying the preset, some layout settings that are controlled by the preset are grayed out. You can click **Clear layout** in the **Settings** pane to remove the settings applied by the finisher preset.

## Create a finisher preset

In Fiery Impose Plus, you can create a finisher preset based on the configuration of your supported finisher. When you create a finisher preset, its layout settings are simultaneously validated against the limitations and constraints of the finisher. Thus, the preset that you publish is compatible with the finisher. The published preset is exported to the job queue of the Duplo PC Controller computer. When you apply the published preset to a job, the finisher can perform the necessary finishing functions on the printed output.

**Note:** This feature is currently supported only depending on your finisher.

To create a finisher preset, perform the following tasks:

- 1 [Set finisher preferences](#) on page 61
- 2 [Specify settings to create a finisher preset](#) on page 64
- 3 [Publish the finisher preset](#) on page 69

## Set finisher preferences

To create a finisher preset, you must first specify preferences in the **Finishers** tab.

- 1 Select a job in the **Held** list in Command WorkStation and open Fiery Impose Plus in one of the following ways:
  - Select **Impose Plus** from the **Actions** menu.
  - Right-click the job and select **Impose Plus**.
- 2 In Fiery Impose Plus, select **Edit > Preferences > Finishers**.

**Note:** On Windows computers, you set Fiery Impose Plus preferences in **Edit > Preferences**. On Mac computers, preferences are under the Fiery Command WorkStation menu in the **Impose Plus** window.

- 3 Select the **Allow finisher integration** check box to specify settings in the **Finisher Integration** section.  
You can clear this check box when the finisher is not used.
- 4 Select the desired finisher from the **Select device** list.

**Note:** Creating a finisher preset is currently supported depending on your finisher.

When you have selected your finisher, specify the following additional settings:

- 5 To access the installation folder located on the Duplo PC Controller computer, do one of the following:
  - In **PC controller path**, specify the path to the installation folder on the Duplo PC Controller computer.  
The installation folder contains configuration files with details about import and export folders that you created on the Duplo PC Controller computer.
  - Click **Browse** to select the installation folder on the Duplo PC Controller computer and populate the **Preset path** field.

**Note:** The Duplo PC Controller computer requires a minor change in its configuration to enable the integration with Fiery Impose Plus. For more information, see the documentation that accompanies the Duplo PC Controller software.

You can click **Test** to test the connection between the Fiery server and the computer with the Duplo PC Controller software.

You can also click **Import presets** to import backed-up or downloaded presets.

**Note:** The imported presets are listed in the **Finisher Preset** window.

**6** Specify the number of perforation modules available on the finisher from the corresponding list.

Finisher module	Description	Supported finisher
CPM	The Cross Perforation Module (CPM) is an optional module installed on the finisher to support horizontal or cross perforation and horizontal scoring. Perforation is performed parallel to the feeding edge. If the job requires horizontal perforation, a minimum of one CPM module must be available for use on the finisher. To perform horizontal perforation, you must select the number of modules available on the finisher.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Duplo DC-618</li></ul>
CPM	The Cross Tool Module (CPM) is an optional module installed on the finisher to support horizontal or cross perforation. Perforation is performed parallel to the feeding edge. If the job requires horizontal perforation, a minimum of one CPM module must be available for use on the finisher. To perform horizontal perforation, you must select the number of modules available on the finisher.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Duplo DC-648</li></ul>
CRM	The Creaser Up Module (CRM) allows crease up (mountain), in addition to standard crease down (valley), horizontally across the sheet.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Duplo DC-648</li></ul>
OSM	The Optional Slitter Module (OSM) provides up to 8 slits per sheet in combination with standard slitter modules.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Duplo DC-648</li></ul>
PFM	In the PFM (Perforation Module - Vertical) module, perforation is performed in the direction that is perpendicular to the feeding edge. If the job requires vertical perforation, a minimum of one PFM module must be available for use on the finisher. To perform vertical perforation, you must select the number of modules available on the finisher.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Duplo DC-618</li></ul>
RTM	RTM or the Rotary Tool Module is an advanced vertical perforation unit that can perform two perforations at a time on the right and the left side of the printed output. A maximum of two RTMs can be installed on one finisher.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Duplo DC-618</li><li>Duplo DC-648</li></ul>

**7** In **Barcode Range Min** and **Barcode Range Max**, specify the minimum and maximum barcode range for the finisher preset.

**Note:** The barcode is used to identify the preset applied to a job. When you export a preset from the Duplo PC Controller computer, a barcode number is placed on the sheet when the job is printed. When you insert the printed output in the finisher, the scanner in the finisher scans the barcode and uses the preset number to automatically assign the correct preset to the job.

After specifying finisher preferences, you must restart Fiery Impose Plus for the changes to take effect.

## Specifying settings in the Finisher Preset window

To create a finisher preset, open a spooled job in Fiery Impose Plus, and specify settings in the **Finisher Preset** window. In the **Finisher Preset** window, you can specify settings in three tabs: [Layout settings](#) on page 65, [Crease](#) on page 66, and [Perforation](#) on page 67.

Note the following:

- The applicable range of each setting that you specify is displayed in the status bar at the bottom of the **Finisher Preset** window.
- When you specify a setting in the **Finisher Preset** window, you can preview the changes in the **Sheet View** pane. If you do not specify the settings in the **Finisher Preset** window, default values are automatically set.
- You can navigate between settings and tabs sequentially. However, if you return to a previous setting or tab, all values and settings that you specified revert to default values.
- Diagnostic information, such as informational and warning messages, is displayed at the bottom of the **Settings** pane.

You can specify settings in the **Finisher Preset** window using the following controls:

Item	Description
Finisher model	View the name and model of the finisher that you have specified in <b>Fiery Impose Plus &gt; Edit &gt; Preferences &gt; Finishers &gt; Select device</b> .  Click <b>View available modules</b> to display the number of modules specified for CPM, PFM, and RTM. For more information, see <a href="#">Set finisher preferences</a> on page 61.
Finisher preset	Select <b>New preset</b> or click <b>Create new using</b> to create a new preset from an existing preset. Existing presets are also available in this list. For more information, see <a href="#">Apply an existing preset</a> on page 60.  <b>Note:</b> Creating a finisher preset is supported only on some finishers.
Job/barcode number	Specify the number that corresponds to barcodes that can be displayed on the sheet. When a new preset is created, the next available sequential number is automatically assigned to the preset.  <b>Note:</b> Barcodes are finisher dependent.
Setup	Specify the number of horizontal perforation modules in the list on the left and the number of vertical perforation modules in the list on the right.  <b>Note:</b> This option is available depending on your finisher.
Layout settings tab	Specify the layout settings of the finisher preset. For more information, see <a href="#">Specify settings in the Layout tab</a> on page 65.
Crease tab	Specify the number of creases. For more information, see <a href="#">Specify settings in the Crease tab</a> on page 66.

Item	Description
Perforation tab	Specify the number of horizontal and vertical perforations. Additionally, define patterns and segments that can be applied to each perforation. For more information, see <a href="#">Specify settings in the Perforation tab</a> on page 67.
Status bar	View the valid range of each setting at the bottom of the window. You must enter a value within the valid range to be able to proceed to the next setting.
Arrows	Navigate between settings in tabs using the arrow keys on the keyboard.  Alternatively, use the <b>Tab</b> key to navigate to the next setting and <b>Shift+Tab</b> to return to previous settings.
Next and Back buttons	Navigate between tabs.
Apply button	Apply the settings to the job.  <b>Note:</b> Apply does not publish the layout as a preset. After the layout is applied to the job, you can select <b>Clear layout</b> or <b>Publish</b> in the <b>Settings</b> pane.
Apply & Publish button	Perform both Apply and Publish functions with one click. <b>Apply &amp; Publish</b> appears in the <b>Perforation</b> tab. Specify settings in the <b>Publish layout</b> window and click <b>Publish</b> to generate a finisher preset based on the settings. This finisher preset is then exported to the Duplo PC Controller computer.

## Specify settings to create a finisher preset

You must specify settings in the **Finisher Preset** window to create a preset. For more information, see [Specifying settings in the Finisher Preset window](#) on page 63.

- 1 Select a spooled job in the **Held** list in Command WorkStation and open Fiery Impose Plus in one of the following ways:
  - Select **Impose Plus** from the **Actions** menu.
  - Right-click the job and select **Impose Plus**.
- 2 In the **Settings** pane, click **Finisher Preset** to open the **Finisher Preset** window.
- 3 Click **View available modules** to display the number of modules specified for your finisher options.  
The **Finisher model** displays the name of the finisher that you have specified in **Edit > Preferences > Finishers > Select device**.  
For more information, see [Set finisher preferences](#) on page 61.
- 4 To create a preset, do one of the following:
  - Select **New preset** from the **Finisher preset** list.
  - Click **Create new using** to create a new preset from an existing preset.



Note the following:

- This feature is currently supported depending on your finisher.
- You can choose existing presets from the **Finisher preset** list. For more information, see [Apply an existing preset](#) on page 60.

- 5 In **Job/barcode number**, specify the number that corresponds to barcodes that can be displayed on the sheet.

**Note:** Barcodes are finisher dependent.

You can view the barcode range in the status bar at the bottom. When you create a new preset, the next sequential number is automatically assigned to the preset.

- 6 In **Setup**, specify the number of horizontal perforation modules in the list on the left and the number of vertical perforation modules in the list on the right.

Due to the number of slots available on the finisher, if you specify the horizontal perforation as **1**, for example, you can select only **1** as the vertical perforation module. However, if the job does not require horizontal perforation, select **0** in the horizontal perforation list and you can use up to 2 vertical perforation modules. Select **0** in both horizontal and vertical perforation lists if the job does not require perforations. The number of available slots depends on your finisher. The number of vertical perforations possible depends on whether any horizontal operation is required.

Depending on your selected finisher, you can select one of the following horizontal perforations:

- **Horizontal perforation (CPM)**
- **Horizontal crease up (CRM)**

Crease up and perforation cannot be used at the same time.

**Note:** For vertical perforation, the maximum number of modules available for use is determined by the values that you specify for PFM and RTM in **Fiery Impose Plus > Edit > Preferences > Finishers**. For more information on PFM and RTM, see [Set finisher preferences](#) on page 61.

### Specify settings in the Layout tab

- 1 From the **Sheet Size** list, select the size of the paper required for the job.

**Sheet Size** lists only the paper sizes supported by the finisher. When you select a size, you can preview the job on the selected paper size in the **Sheet View** pane. Click **Edit** to select other media-related specifications such as media type, weight, or color.

- 2 Select **Portrait** or **Landscape** from the **Finisher feed direction** list to set the feed direction of the sheet.

**Note:** The preview of the job in the **Sheet View** pane displays the arrow on the top that indicates the assumed feeding edge of the sheet.

- 3 Select the **Barcode** check box to display the barcode on the sheet when you print the job.

If you select this check box, the barcode that corresponds to the number selected in **Job/barcode number** is displayed on the sheet. By default, the barcode is displayed in the upper-right corner.

- 4 In **Finish size**, specify the size of the finished job. You can specify the width in the list on the left and the height in the list on the right.

- 5 In **Row and column**, select the number of rows and columns that you want to apply to the sheet.

Depending on the values that you specified in **Sheet Size** and **Finish size**, the number of rows and columns that can fit on the sheet is automatically calculated.

- 6 In **Gutter**, specify the vertical and horizontal gutter. You can set the gutter as either:

- **Fixed** - Set the same value for the horizontal and vertical gutter.
- **Variable** - Set different values for the horizontal and vertical gutter.

**Note:** Gutter refers to the space between two adjacent pages on a sheet.

- 7 In **Layout offset**, specify the distance between the top edge (feeding edge) of the sheet and the start of the job in the field on the left. In the field on the right, specify the distance between the right edge of the sheet and the start of the job.

**Note:** You should specify the **Layout offset** to accommodate the additional space required for finisher marks on the sheet.

- 8 Click **Next** to specify settings in the **Crease** and **Perforation** tabs. If the job does not require crease or perforation, do one of the following:

- Click **Apply** to apply the settings to the job.
- Click **Publish** in the **Settings** pane to generate a finisher preset and export the preset to the Duplo PC Controller computer.

### Specify settings in the Crease tab

- 1 Select the number of crease lines that you want to apply to the finished product from the **No of creases** list. When you select the number of creases, **Crease position** settings are displayed.
- 2 In **Crease position**, specify the position of each crease on the finished product. Depending on your finisher, keep the following in mind:

Finisher	Behavior
Duplo DC-618	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Depending on the number of creases that you selected in the <b>No of creases</b> list, corresponding rows of crease positions are displayed.</li><li>• Crease position is calculated based on the distance from the leading edge of the finish size.</li><li>• If you select <b>None</b> in the <b>No of creases</b> list, the Crease position setting is not displayed.</li><li>• If there are multiple finished products in the layout, the number of creases that you selected is repeated on each finished product.</li><li>• Vertical creases are not supported.</li></ul>
Duplo DC-648	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• With the CRM module, the crease option can be set to either crease down or crease up.</li></ul>

- 3 Click **Next** to specify settings in the **Perforation** tab. If the job does not require perforation, do one of the following:
  - Click **Apply** to apply the settings to the job.
  - Click **Publish** in the **Settings** pane to generate a finisher preset and export the preset to the Duplo PC Controller computer.

### Specify settings in the Perforation tab

You can apply horizontal, vertical, or a combination of horizontal and vertical perforations to jobs depending on their requirements. You must define a minimum of one pattern for a perforation. The pattern can be either one continuous perforation line or divided into smaller segments.

Settings in the **Perforation** tab are enabled only if you do the following:

- Specify the horizontal and vertical perforation modules in **Fiery Impose Plus > Edit > Preferences > Finishers**.
- Specify the horizontal and vertical perforation modules in the **Setup** list in the **Finisher Preset** window.

### Specify Horizontal perforation

- 1 In **No of horizontal perforation**, select the number of horizontal perforations required by the job.

When you select the number of horizontal perforations, the Y position settings are displayed. For more information, see [Y position](#) on page 68.

Note the following:

- The maximum number of horizontal perforations that you can apply to the job depends on the finish size.
- If you select **None** in **No of horizontal perforation**, the Y position setting is not displayed.
- If there are multiple finished products in the layout, the number of horizontal perforations that you selected is repeated on each finished product.

- 2 In **No of patterns**, select the number of horizontal perforation patterns.

When you select the number of patterns, the pattern definition settings are displayed. For more information, see [Pattern definition](#) on page 68.

**Note:** When you select the number of horizontal perforations, **No of patterns** is automatically set to **1**. You can change this value as required.

- 3 In **Tool ID**, select the type and shape of perforation depending on the requirements of the job. Tool ID is device dependent.

**Note:** If the job requires horizontal perforation, you must first specify the **No of horizontal perforation**, **No of patterns**, and **Tool ID** settings to define the pattern and position of perforations.

**4** In **Pattern definition**, define the number of segments in each perforation and the position of each segment. Depending on the number of patterns that you selected in the **No of patterns** list, corresponding rows of pattern definitions are displayed.

- **Segments** - Specify the number of segments required in the horizontal perforation.
- **Position** - Specify the starting and ending position of each segment of the perforation. Position is calculated from the right edge of the finish size.

**5** In **Y position**, specify the position of each horizontal perforation.

Note the following:

- Depending on the number of horizontal perforations that you selected in the **No of horizontal perforation** list, corresponding rows of Y positions are displayed.
- Y positions are calculated based on the distance from the leading edge of the finish size.

**6** In **Select pattern**, choose from the list of defined horizontal perforation patterns.

### Vertical perforation

You can perform vertical perforation using two different mechanical modules: PFM (Perforation Module) and RTM (Rotary Tool Module). PFM performs continuous, end-to-end perforation but does not support segmented perforation. RTM supports segmented perforation and can also perform two vertical perforations on the right and left side of the printed output simultaneously.

Note the following:

- If you select one vertical perforation module in the vertical **Setup** list in the **Finisher Preset** window, you will have the option to use either PFM or RTM. However, if you select two vertical perforation modules in the vertical **Setup** list, you can use only RTM.
- If you select two vertical perforation modules in the vertical **Setup** list in the **Finisher Preset** window, you must specify settings for both vertical modules in the **Perforation** tab.

### Specify vertical perforation

**1** In **Module type**, select **PFM** or **RTM** depending on the type of job.

**2** In **PFM L/R** or **RTM L/R**, select the type of perforation to be applied on the left and right side of the sheet.

**Note:** For RTM, after you specify perforations on the right and left, **No of vertical perforation** and **Segments** are automatically set to 1. You can change these values as required.

**3** In **No of vertical perforation**, select the number of vertical perforations required by the job. When you select the number of vertical perforations, the Pattern definition settings are displayed.

Note the following:

- PFM supports only one continuous vertical perforation on the left and right side of the sheet.
- For RTM, depending on the number of vertical perforations that you selected, corresponding rows of pattern definitions are displayed.

- 4 In **Pattern definition**, define the position of the vertical perforation. Positions of right and left perforations are calculated from the right edge of the finish size.

- In **X1R** and **X1L** settings, define the position of the perforation on the right and left side of the sheet.

**Note:** PFM supports only one vertical perforation.

- For RTM, specify the X position of each perforation on the right and left side of the sheet depending on the number of vertical perforations that you selected in **No of vertical perforation**.

For RTM, specify the following additional settings:

- **Segments** - Specify the number of segments required in the vertical perforation.
- **Position** - Specify the starting and ending position of each segment of the perforation. Position is calculated from the leading edge of the finish size. Depending on the number of segments selected, a corresponding number of position settings are displayed.

**Note:** Only RTM can perform segmented perforation.

## Publish the finisher preset

- 1 After specifying settings to create the preset, you can apply the preset to the job and then publish the preset. Alternatively, you can simultaneously apply and publish the preset. In the **Finisher Preset** window, do one of the following:

- Click **Apply** to apply the settings to the job. Then click **Publish** in the **Settings** pane.
- Click **Apply & Publish** in the **Finisher Preset** window.

The **Publish layout** window opens.

- 2 In the **Publish layout** window, specify the following settings:

- In **Finisher preset name**, specify a name for the preset.
- **Finisher job number** displays the job number as specified in **Job/barcode number** in the **Finisher Preset** window. You can choose to auto generate a job number or specify a custom job number.
- Select the **Save to finisher's job queue** check box to send the job directly to the job queue of the Duplo PC Controller computer.

**Note:** If you do not select this option, the preset is saved in the export folder. The Duplo PC Controller computer detects the new file, imports and validates the preset, and then adds the preset to its job queue.

- Select the **Include thumbnail image** check box to include a thumbnail preview of the job when the job is listed in the job queue of Duplo PC Controller computer.

- 3 Click **Publish**.

Published presets are listed in the **Finisher Preset** list. You can apply published presets to different jobs that require the same layout and finishing settings.

Note the following:

- Diagnostic information, such as informational and warning messages, is displayed at the bottom of the **Settings** pane.
- You can select **Clear layout** in the **Settings** pane to remove the settings applied by the finisher preset.

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