

COMMON FILE FORMATS AND USAGE

Children's Cove LOGOS

Children's Cove logos are available in horizontal and vertical layouts and in a full range of file formats for a variety of applications. Some formats may only be opened with the application used to create it. Many of these, however, may be placed or imported into common layout programs (Word, InDesign, etc.)

Common File Formats and Usage

- EPS source files (sometimes referred to as vector files) created in Adobe Illustrator. Opening these files requires Illustrator, but they can be imported into layout programs. High quality, infinitely scalable.
- GIF compressed format for onscreen use only. Low resolution (not for print).
- JPG compressed format, good quality, smaller file size. These can be used for print when .TIF, .PSD, or .EPS is not an option.
- JPG (web) compressed format, low resolution (not for print), good quality, smaller file size. This is a common format for many onscreen uses (web, e-newsletters, etc.).
- PDF high quality portable format, very similar to EPS files, can be viewed by anyone with Acrobat Reader. These can also be opened in Illustrator.
- PNG compressed format, low resolution (not for print), good quality, smaller file size, common format for several on-screen uses (web, e-newsletters, etc.).
- **PSD** hi-resolution image source files, high quality.
- TIF hi-resolution image files, high quality, can be imported into layout programs for print.

TIPS

- Good choices for inclusion in print pieces (letterhead, invoices, etc.) are .EPS, .JPG (non web version), and .TIF
- For onscreen uses, good choices are JPG (web version), .PNG or .GIF
- Scalable graphics (also known as vector graphics) are .EPS and .PDF formats. These should be used whenever logo will be used larger than the actual size of the logo file provided. They may be enlarged with no loss of image quality.

How to choose color format

Spot color refers to the PMS (Pantone Matching System) colors used to create the logos. These are used only when printing using prepared inks that are already blended to a specific PMS color.

CMYK refers to the printing process which uses a combination of 4 inks (cyan, magenta, yellow, and black) to simulate thousands of colors.

RGB refers to how color is displayed on a screen. On screen colors are made up of a combination of 3 colors (red, green, blue) to achieve a wide range of colors.