

Outlining Fonts in Illustrator

I've been asked to outline my fonts. What does that even mean?

A font is a set of printable or displayable text characters in a specific style and size. Since you have the font loaded onto your computer, you can see how the text should look. But because we likely do not have the same fonts, it will look very different on our screens.

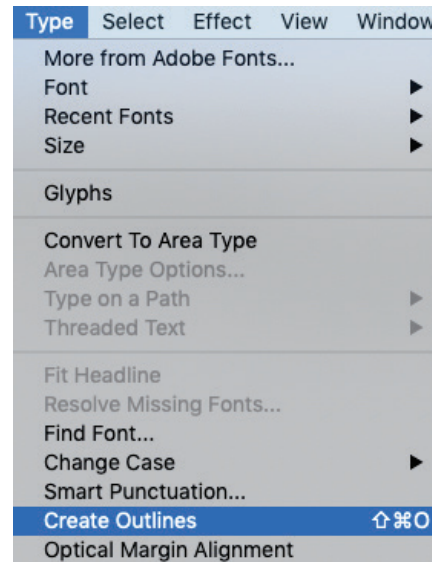
But why outline the text, when we can send you the font?

Fonts are licensed software that really should not be shared with others. While we can still load your fonts on our computers, on occasion our computers may not read them the same as they are on yours. To keep your artwork looking as great as it does on your screen, we ask that you outline all fonts before sending to epac.

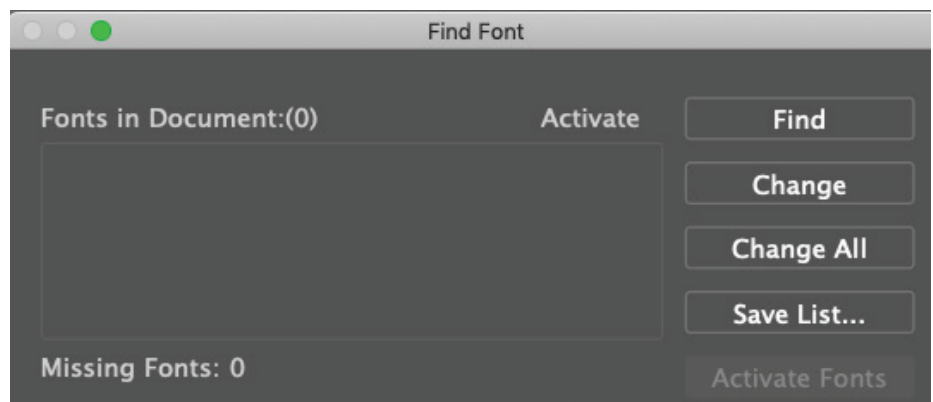
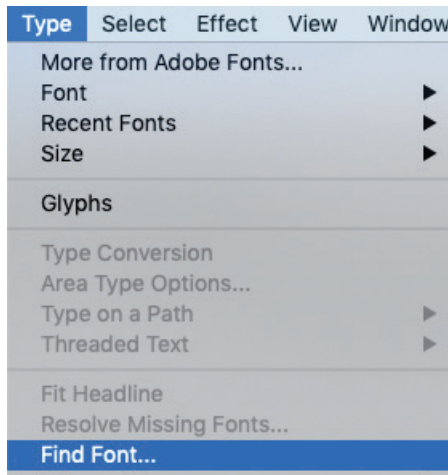
In Illustrator:

Using the drop down menus at the top

1. **Select > All** (Command + A)
2. **Type > Create Outlines** (Shift + Command + O)



3. To double check that you have no fonts in the document, drop down the **Type** menu and click on **Find Font**.
If this is empty, then you have successfully outlined all your fonts.



Be sure to save your file before you send. We look forward to seeing what you have designed!