

Artist Documentation

1 Overview

The framework has been designed with extensibility in mind, and this concept has of course also been applied to the development of our front-end. This documentation is therefore aimed at artists and designers who create artwork for the framework.

2 Adding Graphics

2.1 Requirements/Guidelines

Below are general guidelines for images that are to be used in the framework:

- The image must have a transparent background.
- The image must be in .png format.
- The image must look suitable for the background of the hub, please ensure that it fits in (e.g. the image should be angled correctly and a sensible scale).
- The image must fit the dimensions outlined below.

2.2 Hub Items

The names of the items in the following table are defined from what the default image is. The objects don't have to explicitly be of the same type, e.g. a trampoline could easily be used instead of a swing. However, please make sure that the image fits the themes, and make sense in the context. This is especially important for the interactive items (shown by the * marker in the table); ensure their purpose is clear.

The images are layered onto the hub in a defined order, and so some sections of the sprites may be obscured by layers above. The current order for the layering is shown in the table below, with 1 being the bottom layer.

Layer	Item	Dimensions	Function
1	Tree	X x Y	N/A
2	Swing	X x Y	N/A
3	House	X x Y	N/A
4	TV	X x Y	N/A
5	Desk	X x Y	N/A
6	Sofa	X x Y	N/A
7	Garden	X x Y	N/A
8	Stairs*	X x Y	Sleep for health recovery.
9	Trophy*	X x Y	Highscores.
10	Mirror*	X x Y	Avatar customisation.
11	Laptop*	X x Y	Shop for custom items.
12	Backpack*	X x Y	Bag packing for carriages.
13	Paintbrush*	X x Y	Hub customisation.
14	Path*	X x Y	Mini-game selection.

Table 1: Hub Sprite Dimensions

2.3 Avatar Items

Item	Dimensions
Eyes	X x Y
Head	X x Y
Skin	X x Y
Shirt	X x Y

Table 2: Avatar Sprite Dimensions

2.4 Carriage items

The images will be completely square when displayed, so ensure any designed images are square and please use transparency to fill in any excess space.