

# QUICK START GUIDE

## THIS GUIDE RELATES TO THE FOLLOWING STYLESHEETS:

**PRODUCT: MERIDIAN® 2**

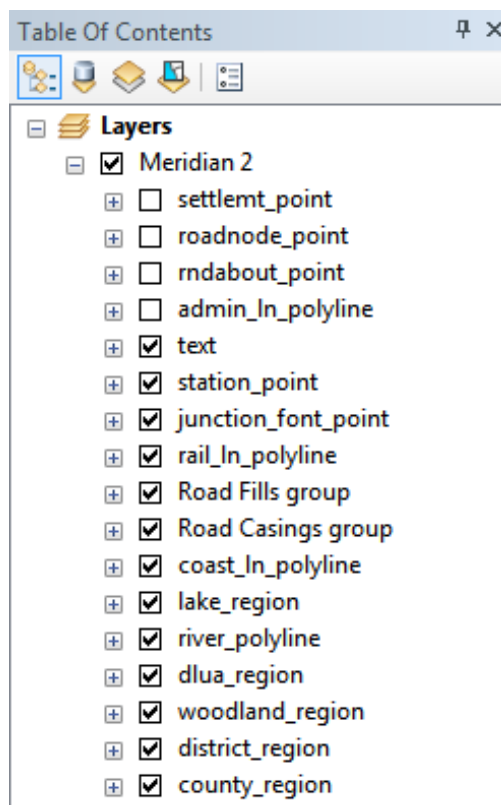
**DATA FORMAT: ESRI SHAPEFILE (SHP)**

**STYLESHEET FORMAT: ESRI LAYER FILE (LYR)**

The stylesheet has been designed to work with the data as supplied.

- 1 Either fork the stylesheets on [GitHub](#) or [download](#) them and navigate to the directory that matches your data format, stylesheet format and style preference.
- 2 Open a new, blank map in ArcMap.
- 3 Right-click on 'Layers' at the top of the Table Of Contents, select Properties... > then General > set the Label Engine to 'Maplex Label Engine'.
- 4 In the same window select the Coordinate System tab > choose British National Grid.
- 5 To add a sea tint, navigate to the Frame tab and change the background colour to R228 G244 B247. Click OK.
- 6 Click on the 'Add Data' button and navigate to the stylesheets folder and the directory that matches your data format, stylesheet format and style preference.
- 7 Select the layer file and click 'Add'

Your Table of Contents should now look as in the next figure. This is the recommended layer order.

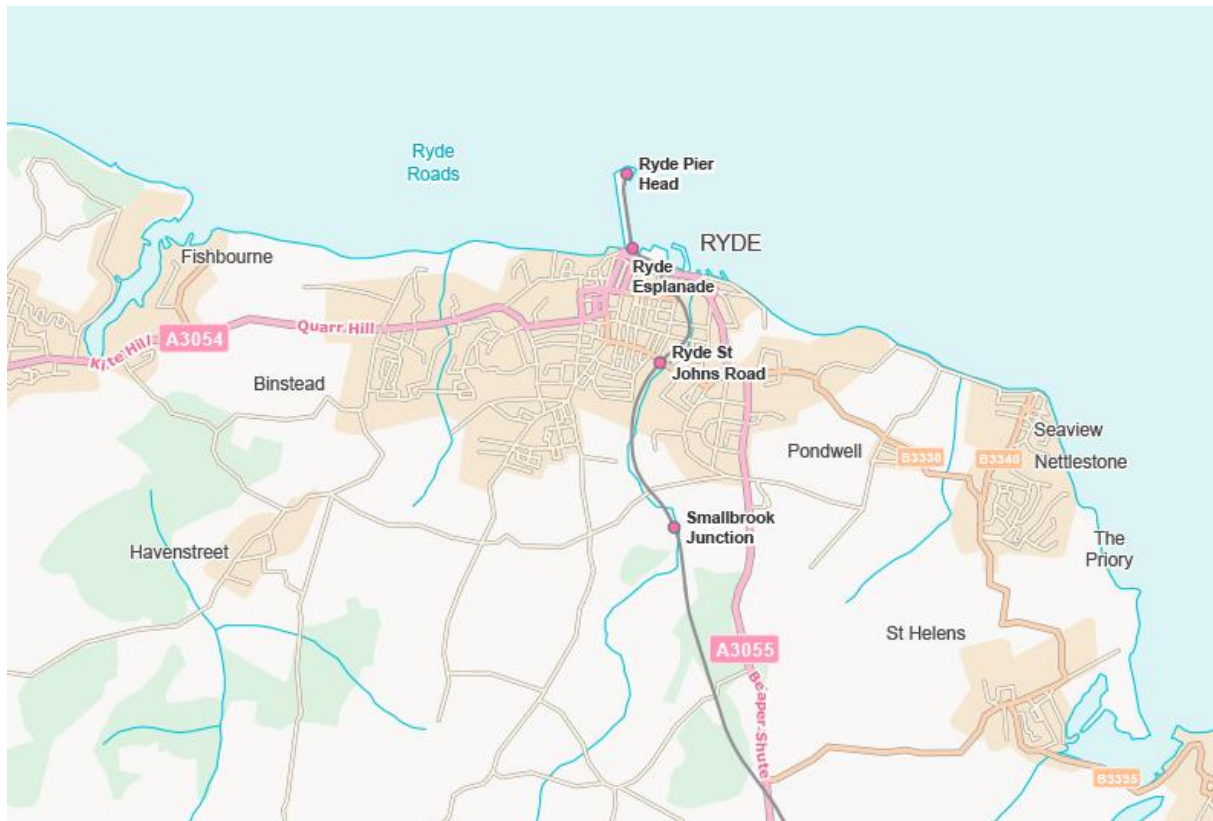


9 Double-click on a layer to access the 'Layer Properties' window > select the 'Source tab' > click on 'Set Data Source...' > navigate to your Meridian 2 data > select the data that matches the layer for example, `settlemt_point = settlemt_point.shp` > select 'Add':

Repeat step 9 for all layers.

We recommend viewing the map between 1:20000 and 1:75000 for maximum legibility.

Your map should now look similar to this:



## Compatibility notes

Our Layer Files are compatible with versions of ESRI ArcGIS back to version 9.3 (released in 2008).

## Additional information

[More information about how to download, apply and edit our stylesheets including a Stylesheet user guide](#)

[More information about Meridian 2](#)

[More information about cartographic design at Ordnance Survey](#)

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