EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT LOGO FILE FORMATS (AND HOW TO USE THEM)



PNG

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Portable Network Graphic:

- If you compress and decompress the image's size, it won't lose its quality
- Support transparent backgrounds
- This file type is not recommended for print.

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SVG

Scalable Vector Graphic:

- You should use svg whenever they're accepted, especially when sending a logo to print
- Can be scaled to any size without loss of image quality (they also look great on retina display)
- Vector file format
- Small file size compared to a PNG or JPG
- Web-friendly XML language and editable on design software like Adobe Illustrator
- Support transparent backgrounds

EPS

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Encapsulated PostScript:

- Used for printing and editing purposes and are commonly referred to as "working files" or "master files."
- Easily scalable for print (can be as large as a billboard and as small as a business card)
- Vector file format
- Editable on design software like Adobe Illustrator or Photoshop
- Support transparent backgrounds

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PDF

Portable Document Format;

- They're commonly used for document purposes, but can also be used to share images, including logos.

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Use PNG files to put your logo on:

- Websites and blogs (including your favicon, the icon that shows up in your browser tab)
- Letterheads on Word or Google docs
- Social media profile and cover photos
- Online shops or platforms like Etsy
- Images (e.g. to add a watermark)

Use SVG files to put your logo on:

- Print materials (business cards, posters, stickers, and more)
- Clothing and swag
- Stickers and labels
- Websites (note: you must know how to code because most website builders, including WordPress and Squarespace, won't accept SVGs)
- ...or if you need to send your logo to a designer to make changes

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How do you open SVG files?

You can open SVG files in a browser (Chrome, Firefox, Edge, Safari, Internet Explorer), in Adobe Illustrator, or on another Adobe program like Photoshop and InDesign with an SVG plugin.

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Use EPS files to put your logo on:

- Print materials (business cards, posters, brochures, and more)
- Stickers and labels
- Clothing and swag
- ...or if you need to send your logo to a designer to make changes

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How do you open EPS files?

It's tricky to open and edit EPS files without

Illustrator or Photoshop; however, you can

download free software like Sketch or

Inkscape to access them.

Use PDF files to put your logo on:

 Print materials (business cards, posters, stickers, and more)



- Stickers and labels
- Clothing and swag

If you have any questions, do not besitate to contact me!

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