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# Hidden areas

A hidden area is an area in each page group that no one using an AFP viewer can see and that does not print.

You can hide areas that contain text, barcodes, or other types of optical mark recognition (OMR) data that you want to replace or that are no longer needed. For example, if you want to replace POSTNET and PLANET barcodes with Intelligent Mail barcodes (IMBs), you can hide the PLANET barcodes. (AFP Editor can automatically replace PLANET barcodes with IMBs, but you must hide the PLANET barcodes and any ACS data.)

AFP Editor creates a hidden area by creating an AFP graphics object that contains no data and that prints in the color of the medium. Although you cannot use an AFP viewer to see the existing data in the hidden area, the data still exists in the AFP file.

You can specify the location and size of the hidden area. You can place a hidden area on:

- A specified page (for example, page 1) of each page group
- All pages in each page group
- The even pages in each page group (pages 2, 4, 6,...)
- The odd pages in each page group (pages 1, 3, 5,...)

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