

## What is Bleed?

To understand bleed you need to understand **that no printer can print to the edge of a sheet of paper** (printing borderless is not possible!) All commercially printed documents are printed on **sheets larger than the size of the final document**. Once printed the sheets are cut to the final size.

**For Example:** A4 documents are printed on a sheet size 320 x 225mm.  
 This is then cut to A4 - 297 x 210mm

*Bleed, highlighted by the yellow line. You can see the colours and **images** extended beyond the trim marks. This is bleed. Bleed needs to be 2mm on all sides.*

*All documents are printed on sheets of paper that is larger than the final size of the document*



### Trim / Crop Marks

*These marks show where the job needs to be cut. Any ink outside of these marks is called bleed, and will be cut off.*

### Final Size

*The pink line shows what the final trimmed document will look like.*

## Document Dimensions

	Dimensions including bleed	Final Document Size	Margin (keep all text this distance from edge)
A3	424 x 301mm	420 x 297mm	2mm
A4	301 x 214mm	297 x 210mm	2mm
A5	214 x 152mm	210 x 148mm	2mm
A6	152 x 109mm	148 x 105mm	2mm
A7	109 x 78mm	105 x 74mm	2mm
DL	214 x 103mm	210 x 99mm	2mm
Business Card	94 x 59mm	90 x 55mm	2mm