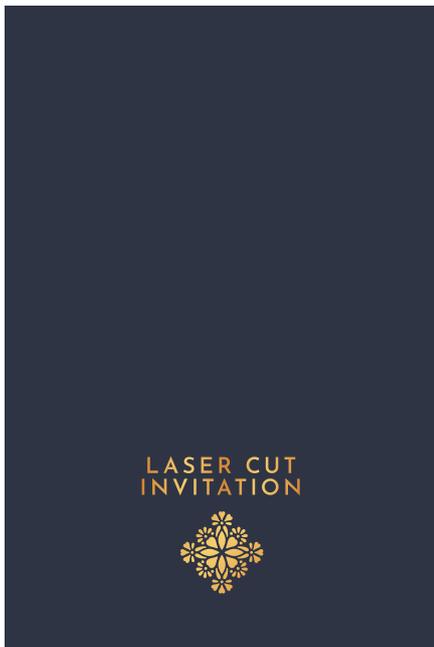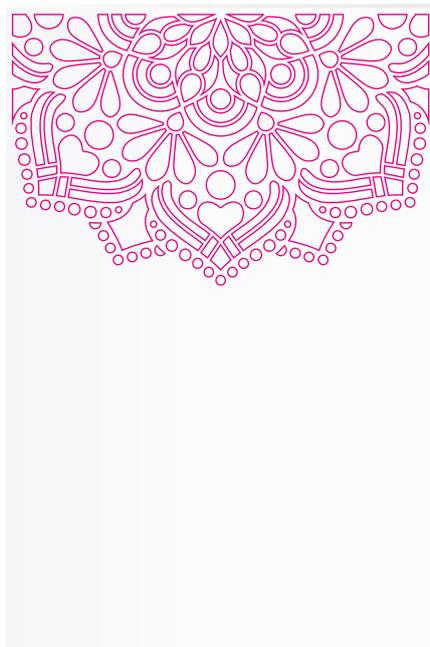# LASER CUT JOBS
PREPARING ARTWORK FILES

When supplying artwork for laser cut jobs you must also supply an additional PDF of the cutting path you require. A cut path is what the laser will use as a guide to follow the shape of the area being cut out. This path should consist of a spot colour being applied to the stroke (0.1pt*) in the exact shape and size of the elements you would like cut away. The spot colour should be named CUT.
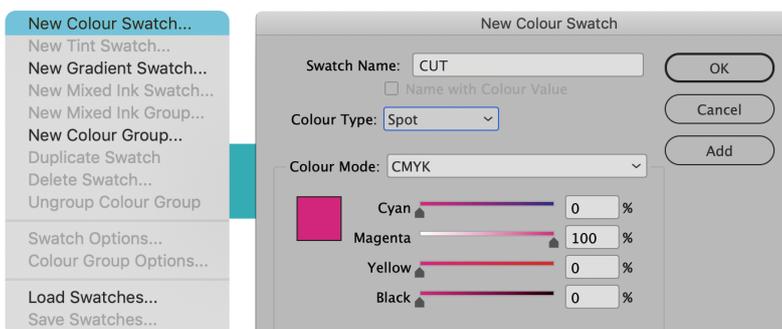
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Cut Path

Finished Product

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Creating spot colours

Right click to create a new colour swatch. Change the colour type to **Spot** and label the swatch name **CUT**. Choose a colour that enables you to easily identify your cut path within your document, such as **100% Magenta**.

Design tips

When creating your cut path make sure there is enough space between elements to avoid thin sections from breaking and keep all cut paths 5mm away from page edges and folds. If you're laser cutting type we suggest avoiding script typefaces and sticking to stencil fonts to avoid enclosed spaces breaking away.

LEAVE SPACE BETWEEN CUT PATHS AND KEEP 5MM AWAY FROM EDGE OF PAGE

*0.1pt - stroke point size, the higher the number the thicker the weight of the line.