

# Flexible tools for creating layouts

You might use the same tools for most jobs, or you might switch between several methods to match the variations in jobs. Tools include stock and media resources, layout resources and searches, manual and automated ganging, product intent and assembly planning, and JDF automation.

<b>Press-run creation tool</b>	<b>Useful for:</b>
<b>Stock and Media lists</b>	Manually targeting a specific sheet and device, including last-minute changes that do not affect the layouts and pages.
<b>Layouts Search</b>	Quickly finding a suitable layout within a large collection of templates or fold patterns, based on various search criteria, including page count, binding style, and name.
<b>Templates list</b>	Repeating the same layouts for multiple products and jobs that require specific page and sheet sizes, binding styles, and page numbering.
<b>AutoSelect</b>	Generating press runs for a single-part product's run list whose page count can be efficiently imposed using a standard binding style.
<b>Fold Patterns list</b>	Building layouts on the fly for products and product sections that vary in page count, page size, stock, media, and binding style; also for flexibility in orienting a section to match the folds to the stock grain, or for customized content transformations for different binding edges. Fold patterns quickly create press-run sections with pre-numbered page grids. The default or planned sheet and page size are automatically applied, and you can change these properties on the fly, or rotate or flip the grid on the press sheet.
Manual ganging	Placing ganged flat-work pages with full drag-and-drop control; stepping and repeating ganged pages and page groups on press runs.
<b>AutoGang</b>	Saving time by allowing the software to gang multiple products in flatwork-only jobs, based on your settings and priorities.
<b>AutoGang hot folders</b>	Fully automated ganging in a Prinergy workflow.
Create Imposition dialog box	Using a dialog box for creating an imposition section that is based on fixed gutters or on a fold pattern, for use in the current job and/or to save as a template.
Product Intent dialog box	Starting a new multi-part product by copying all the known requirements into a single dialog box, perhaps by copying from a printed job ticket. If enough detail is provided, you can proceed directly to autogenerating or manually completing the press runs.

<b>Assembly view</b>	Revising, refining, or completing the product intent details for jobs with multiple products, parts, and binding styles before autogenerating or manually completing the press runs.
JDF automation	Deriving the product intent from a JDF file, which can support auto signature creation (ASC), auto signature matching (ASM), or both.