

# Experiment with cut margins and offsets

Note the following points about ACM cut margins and offsets:

- ACM cut margins and offsets are adjusted on a per-layout basis.
- Cut margins increase or decrease the cut area.
- Cut offsets shift the cut area.

## Set the Cut Preferences

1. Make sure that **ACM** is the selected output file format.
2. Set the other options as desired.

## Create the layout

1. Open the **Lesson7.cta** file.
2. Select **File > Layout Setup**.
3. In both of the **ACM cut margin** boxes, specify **2 mm**.

? Unknown Attachment

4. Click **OK**.
5. Output the layout.

## View the results

1. View the HTML cut file.  
Notice that the cuts overlap:

? Unknown Attachment

2. Preview the output 1-bit TIFF.

## Experiment with the settings

Repeat the above steps using various other values.

1. For example, instead of editing the **ACM cut margin**, edit the **ACM cut offset** values.

? Unknown Attachment

2. Output the layout.
3. View the HTML cut file.
4. Pause the animation. Notice the gray box, which is now offset from the original, per the settings.

? Unknown Attachment