

About refining files for digital printers

When you refine files for digital printers, consider these two issues:

- Will the files be used on an offset printer, as well as a digital printer?
- Do you need to extract reader spreads from an imposition? Do you need to extract reader spreads from a layout?

Digital printers vs. both digital and offset printers

If you plan to use the files only on a digital printer, you can let the digital printer do the trapping, color matching, and spot color handling. To prevent Prinergy Evo from trapping, color matching, and spot color handling, clear the **Trap** section, **Match Colors** section, and **Spot Color Handling** section of the refine to PDF process template.

You may want to send files to both digital and offset printers, for example, if you want to split the job among multiple printers or use the job at multiple locations. When you send files to both types of printers, you may want the outputs to match as closely as possible. In this situation, do trapping, color matching, and spot color handling in Prinergy Evo by selecting and configuring the **Trap** section, **Match Colors** section, and **Spot Color Handling** section of the refine to PDF process template. On the digital print controller, set up a job ticket to take the press-ready files and match the offset press colors as closely as possible.