

Prinergergy-defined output file names

When you output to file, for example, when creating soft proofs, ensure that the output file names are unique and meaningful. In LPV jobs, the default (Prinergergy-defined) file names for output use the following patterns:

For loose page proofs
%page%.%SeparationVersion<20>%.%signature%%surface%.%color%%dotversion%%extension%
For imposition proofs and final output
%imposition%.%SeparationVersion<20>%.%signature%%surface%.%color%%dotversion%%extension%

where,

%SeparationVersion% is composed of the names of the versions to which the separation applies.

For example, if a separation applies to the English and French versions, but not the Spanish version, the file name component would be English_French. Thus, a possible output file name would be 1VP_1.English_French.1A.K.1.pdf, which is exactly 31 characters long.

%dotversion% is a number that indicates the instance of the file among files of the same name. The most recent file does not have a dotversion component, for example, 1VP_1.common.1A.K.pdf.

A higher dotversion number indicates an older instance. For example, 1VP_1.common.1A.K.2.pdf is older than 1VP_1.common.1A.K.1.pdf.

Output file name best practices

If you are using Prinergergy-defined file naming when outputting to file, ensure that the 20 character limit on the %SeparationVersion% tag is sufficient for your output.

If you are using custom file naming when outputting to file, we recommend that you use the %dotversion% tag to ensure that output files are not accidentally overwritten.

Note: If you rename a version, ensure that you regenerate all versioned pages that have already been linked and generated.

Output file name best practices for AFP

If you use Apple Filing Protocol (AFP) and are outputting to file, you must use custom file naming to ensure that filenames are 31 characters or less.

Important: The default (Prinergergy-defined) file name pattern does not ensure that file names are 31 characters or fewer.

However, you must minimize the length of the following output file name components if you want to output file names to be unique, meaningful, and 31 characters or fewer:

- For **loose page proof** output names, make the combined %page% and % SeparationVersion% portions of the file names 20 characters or fewer
- For **imposition proof** output names, make the combined %imposition% and % SeparationVersion% portions of the file names 20 characters or fewer

For example,

1VP_1.common.1A.K.1.pdf

< 20 characters

11 characters or more