

Opening and selecting a trapping dialog box

You can change and generate traps using the Simplified or Detailed trapping dialog boxes available with PDF Trap Editor.

1. Perform one of the following actions:

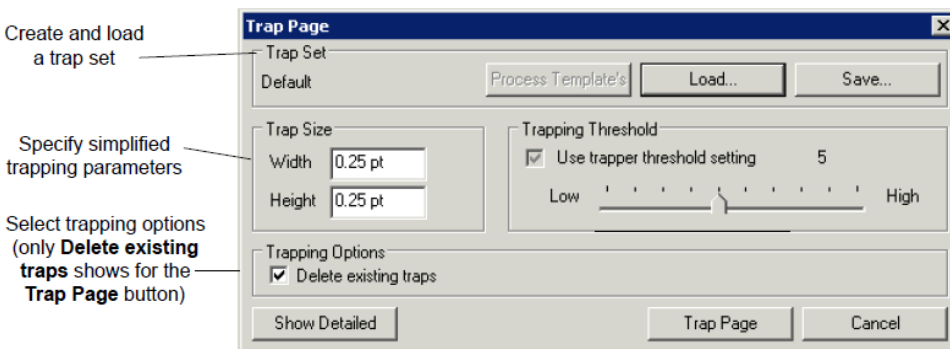
- In PDF Trap Editor, click the **Trap Page**  button.
- Select items in the PDF file and click the **Trap Selection**  button.

2. In the trapping dialog box, select either the Simplified or the Detailed view.

Each trapping dialog box includes three main sections—Trap Set, Trapping Parameters, and Trapping Options. The **Trapping Options** section is different for trapping a selection or trapping a page.

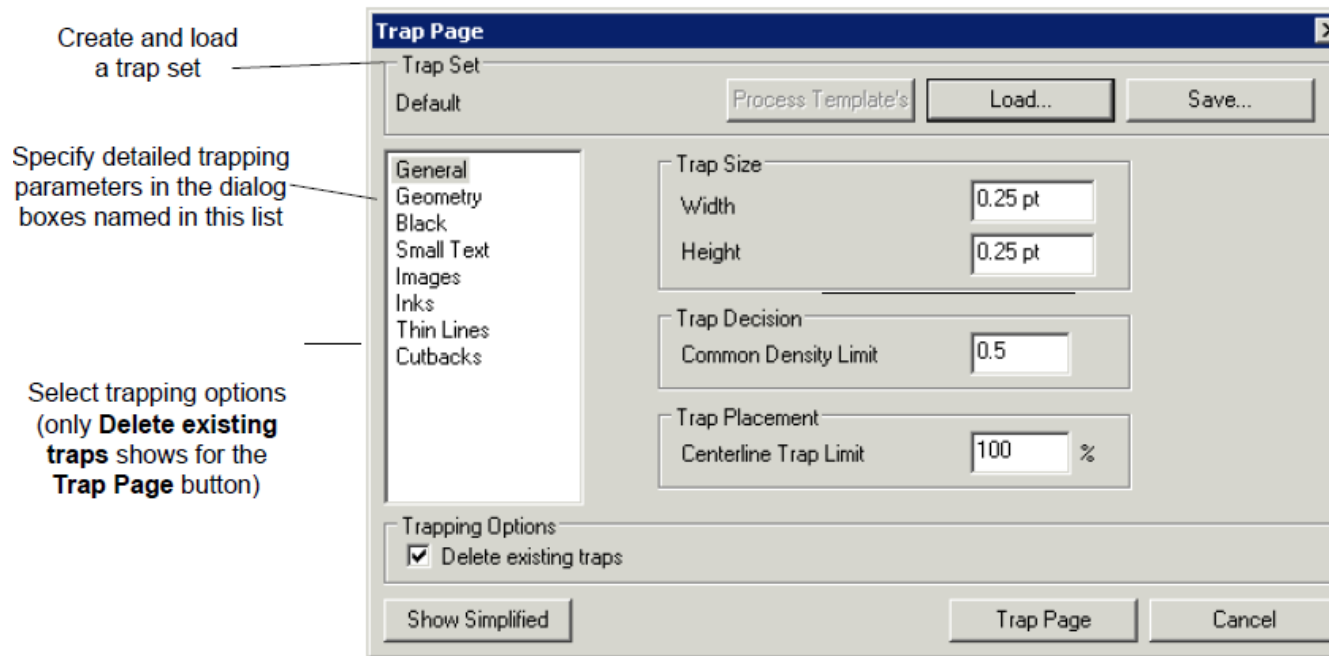
3. In the simplified Trap Selection dialog box, you can use the following parameters:

- **Trap Size**
- **Trapping Threshold**



4. With a detailed Trap Selection dialog box, you can use the following parameters.

- **General**: select trap size, trap decision, trap placement
- **Geometry**: select trap trimming, line join style, miter limit, three-color joins
- **Black**: select black width scaling, trapping for inks of certain intensities, overprinting
- **Small Text**: select small colored text scaling, small black text overprinting
- **Images**: select image-object, image-image, trap direction, resolution, bitmap processing
- **Inks**: select colorant type, neutral density, step limit, color scaling, treat as black, minimum relative step limit, colorant order
- **Thin Lines**: select split-line traps for strokes, overprint black strokes.
- **Cutbacks**: select to create a trap where multi-colored objects border with white areas of the page. This prevents mis-registration artifacts from being visible along white edges and helps keep knockout (reversed) text from filling in.



See Also

[Optimizing your workflow with trap sets](#)
[Changing the number of traps generated](#)
[Setting up your own trapping parameters](#)