

Creating new media resources

To add a resource to the **Media** list, prepare a media configuration for a specific target device. You can set up a media configuration for any valid size that is defined in the device-specific PostScript Printer Description (PPD) files in the Printers folder. The Preps software DVD provides several PPD files, and you can obtain the most current PPD files directly from the manufacturer of your imaging device. If a device is already installed on your operating system, you can use a copy of the system's PPD file.

1. Copy the new device PPD file and paste it to the \Printers\ppd\ folder. The name of the PPD file must end in .ppd, and contain no special characters.
Note: You can skip this step if the PPD file is already installed.
2. Select **Resources > New Media**.
3. Select the **Media Type**. The Media Type list displays all the media for which a device PPD file exists in the \Printers\ppd\ folder.
Note: To create a virtual media configuration that is equal to or larger than the stock size, select **Press Sheet Size**.
4. Provide a meaningful nickname for the new media configuration, and click **OK**.
5. In the Media Configuration dialog box, select the size, and set any other options that you need.
Note: For Press Sheet Size media configurations, you cannot change the **Size (PressSheetSize)**. However, you can optionally increase the size of the output by specifying top, bottom, and side margins. You cannot set margins for other media types.
6. Close the dialog box.

The new media resource appears in the **Media** list in the **Resources** pane. The software stores the details for each media in a <MediaName>\printer.ppd file in the Printers folder.

See also: [About the lists in the Resources pane](#)