

Creating a new duplicating mark (color bar)

Create a duplicating mark that repeats a mark image file to automatically fill a specified area.

1. In the Marks folder, select the EPS and PDF version of an existing custom mark image file.
2. Move the mark image file to the Dupmarks folder. Do **not** copy the file.
A mark image file that is in the Dupmarks folder must not reside in another location within the Marks folder.
3. Restart Preps software, so that it will recognize the mark file as a duplicating mark.
4. Select **Resources > New SmartMark > Duplicating**.
5. Edit the properties:
 - a. Give the new mark a suitable name.
 - b. Locate and select the mark image file.
 - c. Specify the area that the mark is to fill.
 - d. In the **Duplicate from** list, select **Left** or **Right** to repeat the image from one end of the mark length to the other, or select **Center** to repeat it to either side from the center of the mark area.
 - e. Edit the remaining mark properties, as needed.
6. Click **Save** to automatically add the new duplicating mark to the **Marks** list.

The duplicating SMK file is stored in the SmartMarks folder and references the custom mark image file in the Dupmarks folder. When you add this mark to a press sheet, it will automatically repeat to fill the area that you specify.