

Activity 3: Duplicate and create SmartMarks

Marks

All marks that you can create and add to press runs are based on the Kodak SmartMarks software technology. Each mark is dynamically placed and sized, based on the positioning rules that you configure and store in its SMK file. You can create collation, crop, custom, duplicating, fold, rectangle, and text SmartMarks and groups, and you can also set preferences for built-in side guide and center sheet marks.

To create new marks, go to the **Resources** menu and select **New SmartMark**. You can also edit, duplicate, delete, or rename an existing mark in the **Marks** list by right-clicking.

Duplicating a mark

1. Click the **Marks** pane to expand the list.
2. Expand the **Tutorial** group, right-click the **ColorBar** mark, and select **Duplicate**.
3. Select **Duplicate**.
4. In the **Anchor** section of the Duplicate Smart Dupmark dialog box, change the anchor location of the mark on the sheet by selecting the bottom bar.
5. From the **Mark Anchor** options, select the middle bar.
6. Click **Save**.
7. In the Save As dialog box, select the `Tutorial` folder and save the new mark with the system-provided name, `ColorBar copy`.

Renaming a mark

1. Expand the **Tutorial** mark group.
2. Right-click **ColorBar copy**.
3. Select **Rename**.
4. In the **Print file ID** box, type the name `ColorBar bottom`.
5. Press **OK**.

The new mark is saved to the same group as the original on which it is based.

Creating a crop mark

1. Select **Resources > New SmartMark > Crop Mark**.
2. In the **Name** box, type `training crop`
3. In the **Length** box, type 0.5. (inches) or 12.7 (mm).
4. In the **Offset from page** box, type 0.25 (inches) or 6.35 (mm).
5. (Optional) In the **Style** list, select a style for the mark. Leave it as **Solid** for now.
6. (Optional) If you want the mark to be a certain color, click the **Mark Color** button. Don't change the color at this time.
7. In the **Sheet Placement** list, select **Front** for the location where the mark should be placed on the sheet.

8. Click **Save As** and save the mark in the `Tutorial` folder.
Note: To apply the mark to a layout you're working on at the same time as you save it, click **Apply**, and then click **Save As**. If you want to save the mark to an existing group, select it from the list of folders in the dialog box. To create a new group, click **New Folder**, create a new folder, and save the mark in it.
9. In the Save dialog box, click **Save**.

Once you have a crop mark applied to a layout with pages and you want to delete a single crop mark, in the **Press Runs** view, hold down the Opt (Macintosh) or Alt (Windows) key, select the crop mark, and press Del.

Creating a custom mark and mark group

1. Select **Resources > New SmartMark > Custom Mark**.
2. In the **Name** box, type `training custom`.
3. In the **Image File** list, select `regmark1.eps` as the mark image to use.
4. In the **Rotation** list, select **90** degrees.
5. In the **Anchor to** list, select **Anchor to Media**.
6. On the anchor diagram, select the top-left corner.
7. From the **Mark Anchor** positions, select the middle-right one.
8. In the **Sheet Placement** section, select **Mirror on back**.
9. Click **Save As**.
10. In the Save As dialog box, click the **Create New Folder** icon.
11. Type `training marks` as the new folder name and click **Open**.
12. Click **Save** to save the new custom mark in the `training marks` folder.
You can create additional folders and copy SmartMarks into them directly in the `Preps \Marks\SmartMarks` folder.
The new mark group and mark appear in the **Marks** list.