

MODULE 6: Advanced layouts

Module summary

After completing this module, you should be able to:

- Identify the benefits of come-and-go, multi-web, and multi-section layouts
- Explain when to use come-and-go, multi-web, and multi-section layouts
- Create come-and-go, multi-web, and multi-section layouts

Custom fold patterns

Preps allows you to create and save your own custom fold patterns, increasing the number of fold patterns available beyond those included in the basic catalog. You can define custom fold patterns by starting with a classic imposition or by making adjustments to an existing JDF fold pattern and saving the new properties.

For custom fold patterns to work properly, all pages must be numbered starting from page 1, single section only, and no size attributes are saved, including stock or trim size.

Step-and-repeat placeholder

In Preps, you can define placeholders and sections for different step-and-repeat patterns for packaging label and flexible bag printers.

When you select the **Step & Repeat** tool from the toolbar, you can define a pattern of "castletop" or "staircase" on the **Step & Repeat Properties** pane. You can also save patterns to the step-and-repeat pattern folder that is accessible from the **Layout** pane.

Assign artwork to a step-and-repeat pattern by dragging a PDF file to different "hot corners" of the placeholder to fill a single position, row, or column, or to fill the whole step-and-repeat pattern.