



# Creating an Auto arrange hot folder

This hot folder arranges the incoming TIFF files on the layout automatically. See also the Marks preference to [Automatically apply selected marks](#).

General steps for creating a hot folder



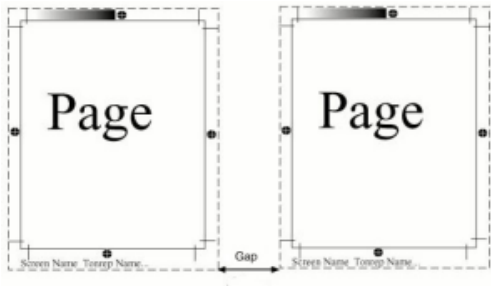
1. Select **Tools > Hot Folder Setup**.
2. In the Hot Folder Setup dialog box, click .
3. Type a name for the hot folder in the **Hot Folders** list, and click anywhere in the dialog box.
4. In the **Input folder** box, click **Select**, locate and select the desired folder (if needed, click  to create a new folder), and click **Select**.
5. To define an output folder for the output TIFF file, click **Select** in the Output folder box, select an output folder, and click **Select**.
6. To delete the input files after the output file is created, select the **Delete input files after output** check box.

Setting up the Auto arrange hot folder

1. In the **Hot folder type** list, select **Auto arrange**.
2. Set the hot folder options as needed.
3. Click **Save**.

## Hot folder options for Auto arrange

Option	Settings	Notes
<b>Template layout</b>	User selection	<p>To attach a template layout to the hot folder, click <b>Select</b>, select a template layout (CTA file), and click <b>Select</b>.</p> <p>In the <a href="#">Layout Setup</a> dialog box, adjust settings as needed for the selected template layout.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• To auto-fit all files added to a layout (auto-crop to actual pixel boundaries), ensure that the <b>Auto-Fit new files</b> check box is selected.</li><li>• To prevent accumulation of unnecessary files for this hot folder, you can override global preferences that automatically create cutting files or generate Media Usage reports. Select <b>Cut File &gt; Don't Create</b>. In the Layout Setup, disable the <b>Media Usage Report</b> option.</li></ul>
<b>Resample files to layout resolution automatically</b>	Check box	Select to resample the resolution of incoming files to the layout resolution.

<b>Preview layout</b>	Check box	Select to enable previewing the layout.
<b>Timeout</b>	User-defined	Select to activate the hot folder and create the layout when the specified timeout is reached.
<b>Media coverage</b>	User-defined	<p>The hot folder creates the layout when the specified coverage is reached.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> If you also select the <b>Timeout</b> check box, the hot folder creates the layout when the first condition is reached (<b>Media coverage</b> or <b>Timeout</b>).</p>
<b>Alignment</b>	<b>Top Left</b> <b>Top Right</b> <b>Bottom Right</b> <b>Bottom Left</b> <b>Center Center</b>	Specify the point on the layout to which the bounding box is aligned.
<b>Direction</b>	<b>Horizontal</b> <b>Vertical</b>	<p><b>Horizontal</b> arranges the elements so that the maximum number of elements fit across the layout.</p> <p><b>Vertical</b> arranges the elements so that the maximum number of elements fit down the layout.</p>
<b>Element gap</b>	User-defined	<p>In the horizontal  and vertical  boxes, type the amount of space between each image.</p> 
<b>Align elements for cutting</b>	Check box	Select to automatically align the elements when you intend to cut the layout with a guillotine. All elements are aligned to the first element according to the selected <b>Direction</b> .

<b>Allow element rotation for best fit</b>	Check box	Select to rotate elements for an optimized arrangement.
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