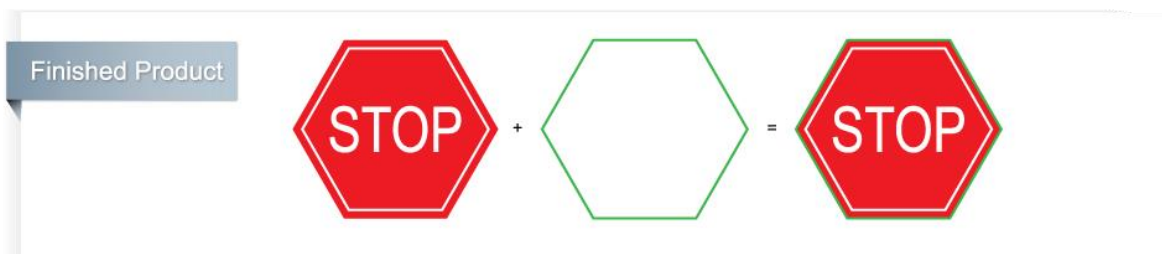


Custom Props Signs. Setting up your template to print.

Part 1: Adding the Cut Line

1. Create your Die Line and set the Stroke to 2pt thickness with NO Fill Color.
2. Change the Color to either Red, Pink or Green (any bright color that is not the same as the color of your artwork)
3. Select the Stroke color in your 'Swatch' library and then click on 'New Swatch' (See 'image A & B')
4. Change the 'Swatch Name' to **CUT** (See 'image C')
5. Change the 'Color Type' to **SPOT COLOR** (See 'image C')
6. Make sure the 'Color Mode' is set to **CMYK** and Press OK (See 'image C')



Part 2: Adding the Bleed

1. Start with Part 1 artwork that contains your cut line.
2. Duplicate the background. This will work if your background artwork is a solid color like the example shown.
3. Add a stroke to the duplicated background layer. Example stroke is shown in blue to better see the thickness of stroke.
4. Select that piece and go to **Object > Expand**. Make sure your settings are set on 'Stroke' and not 'Fill'. Press OK.
5. Once the stroke has been expanded go to **Pathfinder > Unite**. Once this unites the expanded parts, make sure the final piece color is your background color
6. Align the duplicated background piece with the original cut piece and Send To Back.

