

# **ILLUSTRATOR TEMPLATE**

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# WHAT THIS GUIDE IS ABOUT

This guide is designed to help create a template in Adobe Illustrator for use with your Universal Laser System.

The template is a prepared document that already contains the corrects parameters to help ensure you create a successful job.

If you have any problems sending the job to the Universal Control Panel, please consult our Illustrator Troubleshooting guide for solutions to the most common issues that may occur.

Please determine the bed size of your Universal Laser System, as this will be used in the template creation process, the easiest method to determine this is to examine the rulers on the engraving table.

If you require further help with the information contained in this guide, please contact the LST Group support department at support@lstgroup.com.au

### **CREATING THE TEMPLATE**

- I- Open Adobe Illustrator
- 2- The "New Document" screen will appear, if this screen does not appear, **click** "File" the "New."
- 3- **Click** on "Art and Illustration," then **click** "Postcard" as this document defaults to RGB.
- 4- On the right-hand side, you will see some document details.
- 5- **Enter** the dimensions for the width and height for your Universal Laser machine. We will be using a VLS3.50 in our example, which has a width of 600mm and a height of 300mm.

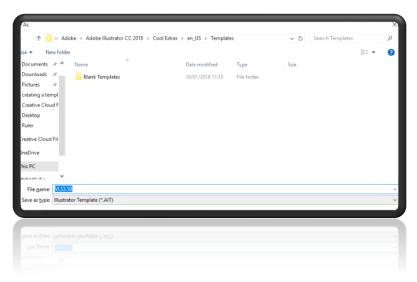


- 6- Be aware, you may also be required to change the units to Millimeters.
- 7- Ensure the document colour mode states "RGB Colour," which is located underneath "Advanced Options."



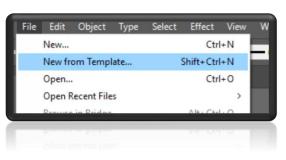
#### **SAVING THE TEMPLATE**

- I- Click "File" then "Save as Template..."
- 2- Name the file, for this example we have chosen the machine type "VLS3.50."
- 3- **Click** "Save" to save the template, by default Adobe Illustrator will save the template to the templates folder.
- 4- You can also distribute the template file created to other users by simply copying the file and opening it as explained next.



#### **OPENING THE TEMPLATE**

- I- Click "File" then "New from Template..."
- 2- **Select** the previously created template.
- 3- Illustrator will load the template with the correct settings.
- 4- **Click** "File" then "Save As" to save the Illustrator file as normal.



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