File Formats

Please use the file type that is compatible with the programs on your computer. For most PCs, the .PNG, .PDF, and .JPEG files will be most compatible. You can save a file to your desktop and then insert it into your program or project. See "Inserting Clip Art" for more information on using the files on this clip art CD.

All files noted with HR in the file name are high-resolution files; use these for print projects. Files with LR in the file name are low-resolution files for your Web or electronic applications, such as your VBS or church website and email.

Following is information on specific file types provided on this CD.

AI (.ai) is an Adobe Illustrator format and is a modified version of the older EPS format. AI images are scalable without losing quality. This format is not for use in Web-based applications and is geared toward designers and print shops.

DOC (.doc) files are documents created in Microsoft Word and are fully editable.

EMF (.emf) files are known as vector graphics. They do not suffer from pixelation when resized. They cannot be used for Web-based applications. However, EMF files can be easily used and resized in Microsoft Office programs and work in high-end graphics software like Adobe Illustrator and CorelDraw. Like PNG files, there is no "white background" problem when using EMF files in your programs.

EPS (.eps) is a vector format. EPS images are scalable without losing quality. This format is not for use in Web-based applications and is geared toward designers and print shops.

JPEG (.jpeg or .jpg) is the most common image format used by digital cameras and other photographic image capture devices. Some of the images on this CD have been provided as JPEG files. The issue with JPEG files is that they always have a solid white background. When the background page is white, you can't see the image's white background; however, if you are building a PowerPoint slide, for example, with a colored or image background, the white background of a JPEG is always visible.

PDF (.pdf) files are created using Adobe format; you need to have an Adobe Acrobat Reader to use these files. The Reader is available as a free download from www.get.adobe.com. Most PDF files on this CD have editable fields where you can type in your own information and print the edited file or save it to your computer.

PNG (.png) files are bitmap files that are very similar to JPEG files. The key difference with the PNG files on this CD is the transparent background in each file, allowing the colored or image background to display to the edge of the graphic, rather than to the edge of the white background.

PSD (.psd) files can be opened only from Photoshop CS3 or later. A PSD file is a flattened full color image. Some of the T-shirt files may be created in this format and can be used by your T-shirt vendor or an Adobe Photoshop user.