

MPS PDF Driver

This manual describes the use of the Meadows PDF Driver for Adobe® InDesign® with the DesignMerge® software from Meadows Publishing Solutions. This Print Driver produces output in a PDF format that is compatible with PDF-enabled digital print controllers and also with PDF viewing and editing applications. Additionally, the PDF Driver may be used to produce output in a PDF/VT Caching format that is compatible with PDF/VT-enabled digital print controllers and applications, such as the Adobe PDF Print Engine (APPE).

Topics Covered in this Manual:

- ✓ Overview
- ✓ Installation
- ✓ Using the PDF Driver
- ✓ Setting PDF Driver preferences
- ✓ Applying custom job names (file names) to the output
- ✓ Technical Support



Overview

About the MPS PDF Driver

The Meadows PDF Driver allows you to produce merged output in a PDF format that is compatible with PDF-enabled digital print controllers as well as applications that allow you to view and edit PDFs.

Additionally, the PDF Driver allows you to produce output in a PDF/VT Caching format that is compatible with PDF/VT-enabled digital print controllers and applications, such as the Adobe PDF Print Engine (APPE). The Meadows PDF/VT Caching format is optimized for Variable Data Printing. This enhances the performance of the merge session. Also, this enhances the performance of PDF/VT-enabled print controllers which store PDF/VT cached content in a preprocessed (“RIP’ed”) format in memory for reuse while printing the job.

The PDF Driver allows you to review and select Adobe InDesign PDF options for the output and also provides helpful features that are available in the other Meadows Print Drivers for Pro editions of DesignMerge®, such as specifying a maximum number of Page Sets per Job, optimizing the merge session when merging a large number of records, and selecting a Post-Processing Destination.

Requirements for the PDF Driver

The workstation where the PDF Driver will be running must have enough disk space available to store the output files that a merge session will produce. Also, you must have a printing system that supports the PDF or PDF/VT format.

About this Manual

This manual presents detailed descriptions of the installation, features, and user interface for all versions of the software. Since for the most part, the software operates the same regardless of the version, pictures from the Macintosh platform are used throughout the documentation. In the few cases where a particular window or functionality differs significantly from one version to another, specific pictures and settings are fully identified.

Additional Documentation

Tutorial #1a (The Basics) — the Form Letter tutorial — in the DesignMerge Tutorial Manual offers a step-by-step example using some of the features described in this manual. The DesignMerge Tutorial Manual is available in PDF format in DesignMerge Documentation. To download the latest version of DesignMerge Documentation, go to the following web page: www.meadowsp.com/documentation.

Installation

Standard Component

If you are already running DesignMerge® in Adobe® InDesign®, the Meadows PDF Driver is already installed as a standard component of DesignMerge.

The PDF Driver is a standard component of the DesignMerge software package for InDesign. As such, this module is installed automatically when the DesignMerge software is installed in InDesign. This module works only in conjunction with this software package.

Required Modules

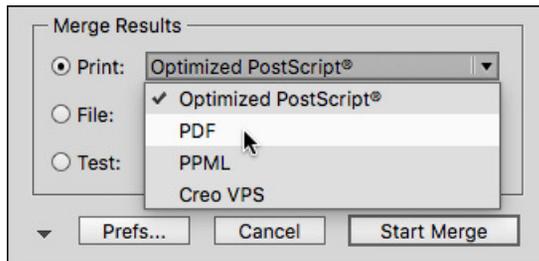
MPS DM PDF Driver

(file name: MPS DM PDF Driver)

This is the module that enables the PDF output capabilities of DesignMerge®.

Verify the Installation

To confirm successful installation of the MPS DM PDF Driver, look in the **Print** popup menu on the **DesignMerge** window (select **Merge** from the **DesignMerge** menu to open this window). You should see the **PDF** option added to the **Print** popup menu, as shown below:



Using the PDF Driver

This manual assumes that you are already familiar with the basic operation of the Meadows DesignMerge software and that you have completed **Tutorial #1a (The Basics)** in the DesignMerge Tutorial Manual, which is available in PDF format in DesignMerge Documentation. If you are not familiar with DesignMerge, read this tutorial first before continuing with this manual.

Also, note that the **MPS PPML Driver** and the **MPS Creo VPS Driver** provide performance enhancements for variable data jobs that use variable pictures or that use a Page Rule to apply Master Pages while merging. For more details about these other Meadows Print Drivers for Pro editions of DesignMerge, see their manuals, which are available in PDF format in DesignMerge Documentation.



For best performance, place the document that you will be merging and all of its required files (database file, document files, graphic files, text files) on the workstation where DesignMerge is running. For optimal performance, we do not recommend merging files from a File Server volume because this will increase the amount of time required to import these while merging the document. Please note this is a recommendation for optimal performance and not a requirement. A Print Driver merge session can import files from a File Server volume.

Start a PDF Merge Session

To use the PDF Driver, follow the steps outlined below:

1) **Open a document.**

Open a document that has been prepared by DesignMerge for variable data. For this example, open the sample Form Letter document (“Form Letter.indd”) which exists inside the “1) Form Letter” Tutorial Files folder in DesignMerge Documentation. Confirm the document has the DesignMerge Links that you added when you followed the steps in **Tutorial #1a (The Basics)**.

When opening the document, replace any missing fonts, and update any modified/missing pictures (the pictures are in the same folder as the sample document). Also, if you want to print any item that is off of the live area of the page (i.e., it is on the pasteboard area), then be sure that one edge of the item is touching the page.

2) **Select Merge from the DesignMerge menu.**

This opens the **DesignMerge** window.

3) **Choose the range of records you wish to process.**

For this example, select **All**, check **Skip first record**, and **Step by 1**.

4) **For the Merge Results, click Print and select PDF.**

5) **Click the Start Merge button, and select a database if prompted to do so.**

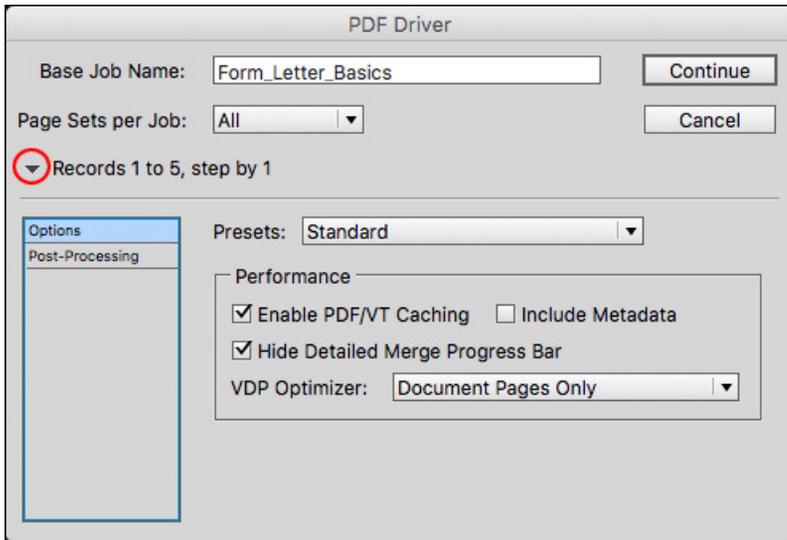
The sample database for the Form Letter tutorial is named “Form Letter.txt” and is located in the “1) Form Letter” Tutorial Files folder.

6) **Select PDF Driver options for the merge session.**

Before starting the merge session, DesignMerge opens the **PDF Driver** window which allows you to select additional options that pertain to a PDF Driver merge session, as described in the next set of steps.

Select PDF Driver Options

The **PDF Driver** window, shown below, lets you select options that are specific to a PDF Driver merge session. If the window is not fully extended, you may click the “disclosure triangle”, which is shown circled in the picture below:



Each option on the **PDF Driver** window is described below:

Base Job Name

The Base Job Name serves as the base of the file names that will be given to the files the merge session creates. By default, the Base Job Name is the name of the current layout/document. However, certain characters will be automatically converted to an underscore (_) or a hyphen (-) to ensure the name will be compatible with any system. Additionally, to provide a unique name for each file that the merge session creates, the Print Driver will automatically add a separator character, the record range whose pages the file contains, and then the appropriate file name extension. Note there are several preferences related to naming output. For more details about these, see the “Preferences” topic later in this manual.

Page Sets per Job

This feature allows you to control the number of print jobs (in this case, PDF files) that will be created by this merge session. Selecting **All** will create one job (one file) that contains all of the merged pages. If you are running a Pro edition of the software, you may prefer to indicate a maximum number of merged page sets (variations of the document) to place in a single job (output file), which allows you to produce jobs (output files) of a more manageable size when merging large database files.

All

Select **All** (the default setting) to automatically include all of the merged pages in a single job. For example, if you are merging 427 records one-by-one into a two-page document and select **All** for **Page Sets per Job**, the merge session will produce one job that contains all 427 merged page sets (954 merged pages, the 427 variations of the two-page document). The job's name will indicate the record range it contains based on which record is in the first-up on each merged page set, for example: "Form_Letter_1-427.pdf".

Specify (a Pro feature)

The **Specify** option allows you to control the number, and therefore size, of the jobs that the merge session will create. This option also lets you start processing merged pages on your printing device while the merge session continues producing remaining pages. For a multiple-up document (a document that is set up to merge multiple records onto a page), use this option to automate running Step-by-Step or Stack Range merge sessions on consecutive ranges of records.

Select **Specify** to automatically separate the output into several jobs for the printer, which can result in greater overall throughput. We call this "chunking". When the merge session finishes producing the first "chunk", the merge session can send the job to the printer so the printing device can get started (rather than waiting for the session to finish producing all of the pages). Then the session automatically continues merging to produce the next chunk of output and then sends that job to the printer. This process continues until all of the records have been processed.

After you select **Specify**, then enter your desired number of page sets per job. Note that the Print Driver window will also display in parentheses the number of merged pages that will be contained by the number of page sets you have specified. If you enter the number "1", then the merge session will produce a job for each new page set. If you enter a number that is greater than the total number of page sets to be processed, then all of the merged pages will be printed in a single job.

For example, using the above example of merging 427 records one-by-one into a document, if you select **Specify** and enter "100" for **Page Sets per Job**, then the merge session will create five jobs, four containing 100 merged page sets each, and one containing the final 27 merged page sets. Each job's name will indicate the record range it contains based on which record is in the first-up on each merged page set, for example: "Form_Letter_1-100.pdf", "Form_Letter_101-200.pdf", "Form_Letter_201-300.pdf", "Form_Letter_301-400.pdf", and "Form_Letter_401-427.pdf".

Subset (a Pro feature)

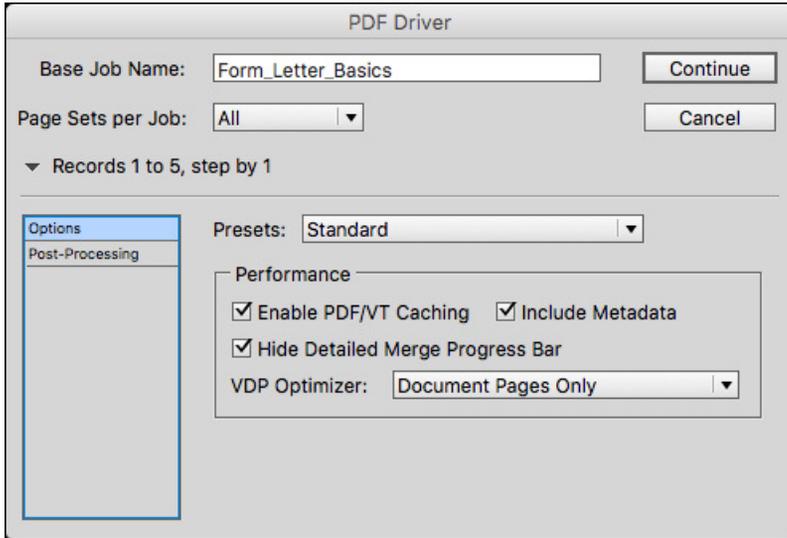
The **Subset** option, which is available when you are using a **Cut & Stack** or **Stack Subset** mode for the merge session (described in **Tutorial #3** in the DesignMerge Tutorial Manual), allows you to control the number and size of the jobs that the merge session will create by automating running multiple Stack Subset merge sessions on consecutive ranges of records. This lets you cut & stack each printed job independently of the other jobs the merge session creates. Also, this option lets you start processing merged pages on your printing device while the merge session continues producing remaining pages.

Select **Subset** to automatically separate the output into several jobs that contain subsets of the records selected for the merge session. The subset of records for each job will be merged in a Cut & Stack sequence.

After you select **Subset**, then enter your desired number of page sets per job. When merging, the merge session will separate the records into subsets that contain the number of records required to merge each job and will merge the subset of records for each job in a Cut & Stack manner.

For example, when merging all 8 records of an 8-record database into a 2-up document in a Cut & Stack mode, if you select **Subset** and enter “2” for **Page Sets per Job**, the merge session will merge the first four records (record #1 through record #4) in a Cut & Stack sequence into the first job and then will merge the last four records (record #5 through record #8) in a Cut & Stack sequence into the second job. Each job’s name will indicate the record range it contains based on which record is in the first-up on each merged page set, for example: “ID_Badges_1-2.pdf” and “ID_Badges_5-6.pdf”.

Options



Presets

Use this popup menu to select a Preset configuration of options that are compatible with your printing device. The **Standard** Preset is provided for generic output and works for most digital printers and PDF applications.

The **Presets** option is available on all of the panes on the **PDF Driver** window. Selecting a Preset automatically selects options on ALL of the panes on the **PDF Driver** window. You may then change the pre-selected options before continuing (any options that are not applicable to the selected Preset will be dimmed). Please note making selections that are incompatible with your printing device could result in printing errors. To return all options to the original default settings for the current Preset, simply re-select the Preset.

You cannot save changes to the default Presets, however, the **PDF Driver** window retains your latest selections as its current defaults until you either select a different Preset or reselect the same Preset. Each time you select a Preset, all options are reset to the original default settings for that Preset.

Additionally, you can save your own Presets. To create a custom Preset, select **Save As** from the **Preset** popup menu, enter a name for the Preset, and click **OK**. You can change the options for a custom Preset before continuing, and you can save the changes by immediately selecting **Save** from the **Preset** popup menu. You can also rename, duplicate, and delete custom Presets selecting one of these actions from the **Preset** popup menu.

Performance

These options enable features to optimize the merge session.

Enable PDF/VT Caching

Turn on (check) this option (the default setting) to produce output in a PDF/VT Caching format. Enabling this option will allow for fastest possible performance and smallest output file size.

Include Metadata

This option is Off (unchecked) by default. Checking this box instructs the PDF Driver to include Document Part Metadata (DPM) in the PDF/VT file. For some systems, DPM is required for the press to recognize the file as being in PDF/VT format. However, including DPM may result in a slight performance degradation, so we recommend using this option only if it is required by your digital press.

Hide Detailed Merge Progress Bar

Hiding the Detailed Merge Progress Bar, which indicates the progress of the merging process, allows the PDF Driver to perform significantly faster. This option is On (checked) by default. Turn this option Off (unchecked) if you prefer to track the progress of the merging process. Note turning this option Off will slow the merging process.

VDP Optimizer (a Pro feature)

This option enables the exclusive Meadows “VDP Optimizer” feature, which is a separate plug-in component for DesignMerge. The VDP Optimizer ensures the fastest possible performance for large variable data jobs. This option will work for any DesignMerge job, but is most helpful when producing a large volume of output for hundreds of records. Select **Document Pages Only** (the default setting in a Pro edition) to enable optimizing all pages in the document. If your document is using a Page Rule that applies Master Pages, then you may prefer to select **Document & Master Pages**.



*For more information about Rules, including an example of a job that uses a Page Rule to apply Master Pages, see **Tutorial #1c**, which is available in PDF format in DesignMerge Documentation.*

Post-Processing

PDF Driver

Base Job Name:

Page Sets per Job:

▼ Records 1 to 5, step by 1

Options
Post-Processing

Presets:

Destination

Action:

Printer:

Folder:

Create Zip File Container

Destination

This section specifies what to do with each job after it has been produced. Select an **Action** to tell the merge session where to send each job as soon as it has been saved in the folder that you will select when you click the **Continue** button. Each option is described below:

Leave in Folder

This is the default option. The jobs will be placed in the destination folder that you select when you click the **Continue** button. You can then submit the jobs to whichever printer you prefer at any time by using a submission tool for that printing device or by placing the jobs in a “Hot Folder” if your digital printing system provides support for Hot Folders.

Or, you may select a Hot Folder as the destination folder, noting that this means you may not end up with a copy of the output on your own system. It can be useful to send output, or a copy of the output, to a Hot Folder. A Hot Folder can automatically send each job to your printer for processing as soon as each job has been produced and also can optionally assign specific printer settings to those jobs. Additionally, a Hot Folder can normally send a job to a printer significantly faster than a print queue on your system can.

Copy to Specified Folder

This option instructs the merge session to copy each job to a second folder. Use the **Select Folder** button to specify the folder. You may select any folder, including a “Hot Folder” if your printing device provides Hot Folder support. Selecting a Hot Folder can be useful, as described above. Selecting the **Copy to Specified Folder** option allows you to save the original output in the folder you will select when you click the **Continue** button while automatically sending a copy of the output to the location you selected for this option.

Download to Printer

This option instructs the Print Driver to send a copy of the jobs to the specified printer. Like the Hot Folder approach, this approach ensures parallel processing by allowing the printing device to begin processing pages while the merge session continues producing output.

When the **Download to Printer** option is selected, the **Printer** popup menu will become active. The **Printer** menu will list all of the printers available to you on your system. Choose the printer that you wish to receive the jobs. You will probably prefer to choose a printer that has been set up to send jobs to the Hold queue on your printing device, which will allow your printer operator to apply appropriate printer properties to a job before printing it. As soon as each job has been produced, it will be downloaded to the selected printer.

Selecting the **Download to Printer** option allows you to save the original output in the folder you will select when you click the **Continue** button while automatically sending a copy of the output to the printer you are selected for this option.

Create Zip File Container

When this option is checked, each job will be saved in a Zip File Container format. If you have set **Page Sets per Job** to a value other than **All**, the Print Driver will create a Zip File Container for each job that is created by the merge session. Note that some PDF consumers do not support Zip File Containers.

Important Information for Those Using a Macintosh OS X System

To use the **Download to Printer** option successfully on a Macintosh OS X system, it is recommended that you set your system's default printer to the "last printer used". For example, open your **Printers & Scanners** System Preferences and select **Last Printer Used** from the **Default printer** popup menu, as shown circled in the picture below:



Using Destination with Page Sets per Job to Streamline Jobs

Choosing the **Copy to Specified Folder** or the **Download to Printer** option in conjunction with the **Page Sets per Job: Specify** or **Page Sets per Job: Subset** option can help to streamline a merge session by allowing you to "chunk" the variable data job into more manageable sections.

For example, if you select **Specify** and enter the number "100" for **Page Sets per Job**, then DesignMerge will merge the first 100 page sets and the Print Driver will incorporate all of the required elements for those pages into a single job. The Print Driver will then send that job to the selected Hot Folder or printer to start the printing process. Once the job has been sent, DesignMerge and the Print Driver continue with the next job in the merge session. As subsequent jobs are created, each one is immediately sent in turn to the selected Hot Folder or printer.

Run the PDF Merge Session

Follow the steps outlined below to continue with the PDF session.

- 1) Click the **Continue** button when you have finished selecting options.
- 2) Select appropriate **Export Adobe PDF** settings for the output; then click **Export**.

If the document contains a transparency effect, select Acrobat 5 or above for the **Compatibility** setting for optimal performance.

- 3) Select the **Destination Folder for the PDF output**.

You will be prompted to select a folder where the PDF output will be saved in a PDF file format or in a PDF ZIP file format, according to the **Create Zip File Container** option you selected on the **PDF Driver** window. Information is provided for each option below:

Save each PDF job in a PDF file format (do not create Zip File Container)

Select the location where you wish to place the PDF file(s). Each PDF file (job) that the session produces will be saved in this location. Note the Print Driver will additionally apply the **Post-Processing Destination** option you selected for this output.

Save each PDF job in a PDF ZIP file format (create Zip File Container)

Select the location where you wish to store the PDF ZIP file(s). Each PDF ZIP file (job) that the session produces will be saved in this location. Note the Print Driver will additionally apply the **Post-Processing Destination** option you selected for this output.



For best performance, select a location on the workstation where DesignMerge is running.

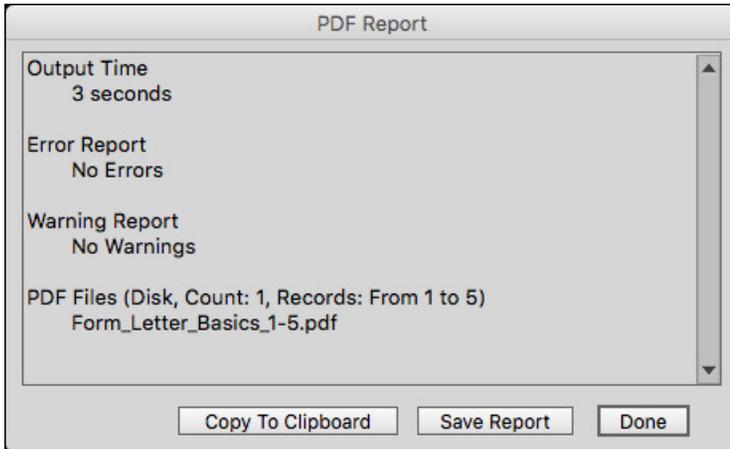
*Note: If you have selected **Download to Printer** or **Copy to Specified Folder** for the Print Driver to send the output files to a printer or Hot Folder, you will still be prompted to select a Destination Folder. You may wish to create a temporary holding folder for your output that you can clear from time to time.*

Track the Progress of the Session

The merge session displays progress windows as the output is being produced. You may click **Cancel** at any time to cancel the session. When the session is completed, the Print Driver presents a summary report, which is described next.

Review the Summary Report

A summary report details the jobs that were created and any page sets that were omitted due to errors. You may copy the report to the clipboard, or save it as an external file. A sample summary report is provided in the picture below:



Print the PDF Output

The Destination Folder should now contain all of the output from the merge session. Additionally, each job will have been placed in a Hot Folder or sent to the printer if you specified one of these for the Post-Processing Destination. For information about printing a PDF or PDF/VT job on your printer, consult the documentation for your printing system.

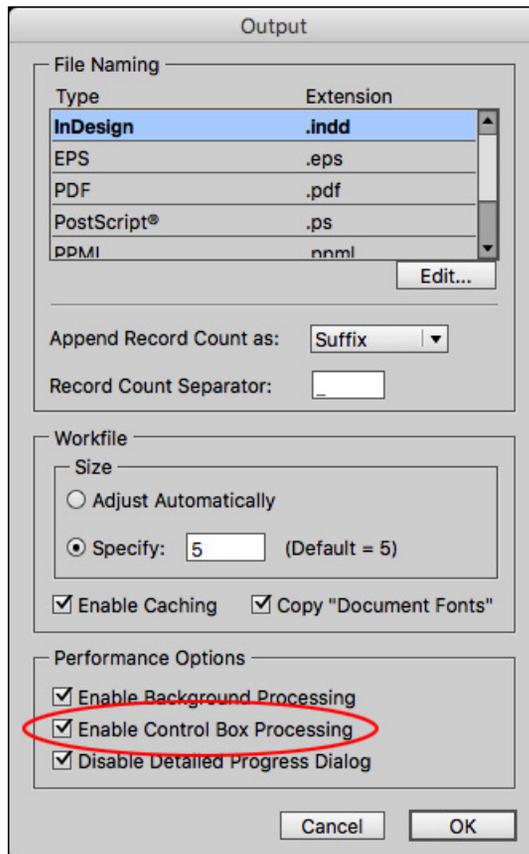
PDF Driver Preferences

There are a number of DesignMerge preferences available that apply to this Print Driver. To access these preferences, select **Preferences** from the **DesignMerge** menu. This opens the **Preferences** window for DesignMerge. Click the **Output** button to modify the Output preferences, which allow you to control various aspects of a Print Driver merge session, including file naming. For a detailed description of each preference, including those that apply to this Print Driver, see the **DesignMerge Preferences** manual, which is available in PDF format in DesignMerge Documentation.

Enabling Control Box Processing (a Pro feature)

A Pro edition of DesignMerge provides the ability to apply additional processing instructions to a Print Driver merge session. You may wish to control, for example, the file names that the Print Driver will apply to the output for a job, which is the next topic in this manual. This additional processing is accomplished by adding a “Control Box” to the document and by enabling the Control Box Processing capabilities of DesignMerge. If the Control Box Processing capabilities are not enabled, then a Print Driver will ignore any and all control boxes that have been placed in a document.

To confirm Control Box Processing is enabled on your system, select **Preferences** from the **DesignMerge** menu to open the **Preferences** window. Then, click the **Output** button on the **Preferences** window. This will open the **Output** window where you will see the **Enable Control Box Processing** option, shown circled in the picture below:



Using the “Name Box” Feature (a Pro feature)

When using a Pro edition of DesignMerge, you have the option of adding a unique type of text box called a “Name Box” to your document. A Name Box is designed to provide customized names for merged Print output. This allows you to have complete control over the naming of the jobs that a Print merge session creates.

When you use the Name Box feature, all other Print Driver job name settings (including Base Job Name and record range) are ignored. Rather, the name of each job will be taken from the text that is inside the job’s merged Name Box.

The Name Box can contain any text, including Variable Links. In fact, by placing a Link inside the Name Box, you can automate the naming of your jobs by linking to a database field which contains unique names.

Typically, the Name Box is most helpful when producing an individual job for each new page set (setting Page Sets per Job to the number “1”). However, the Name Box can be used for any number of Page Sets per Job.

Note that the content of the Name Box itself will not appear on any printed pages because DesignMerge automatically sets it up to be nonprinting (DesignMerge turns on the box’s “Nonprinting” attribute).

To use the Name Box feature, follow the steps outlined below:

1) **Open a document.**

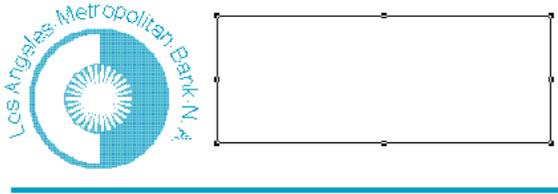
Open a document that has been prepared by DesignMerge for variable data. For this example, open the sample Form Letter document (“Form Letter.indd”) which exists inside the “1) Form Letter” Tutorial Files folder in DesignMerge Documentation. Confirm the document has the DesignMerge Links that you added when you followed the steps in **Tutorial #1a (The Basics)**.

When opening the document, replace any missing fonts, and update any modified/missing pictures (the pictures are in the same folder as the sample document). Also, if you want to print any item that is off of the live area of the page (i.e., it is on the pasteboard area), then be sure that one edge of the item is touching the page.

2) Create a text box in the document and select it with the Selection  tool.

You can place the text box anywhere on the page (but not on the Pasteboard area). The box will not print because, when you assign this box to be the Name Box, DesignMerge will automatically set the box to be nonprinting.

Next, use the Selection  tool to select the new text box. Below is an example using the Form Letter tutorial document:



3) From the DesignMerge menu, select Utilities ⇒ Print Driver ⇒ Control Box ⇒ Create.

This will open the **Create Control Box** window where you may choose the **Type** of Control Box that you wish to create.

4) Select File Name from the Type menu, and click OK.

The text box gains a dashed Magenta border with a shaded Magenta background, indicating it is a Name Box. Also, if you look at the InDesign **Attributes** window for this box, you will see that DesignMerge has turned on the **Nonprinting** option, meaning that the box (and its content) will not appear on any printed pages.

An example of a Name Box is shown in the picture below:



*If you accidentally assign a Name Box to the wrong text box, simply select that text box, and then select **Utilities** ⇒ **Print Driver** ⇒ **Control Box** ⇒ **Remove** from the **DesignMerge** menu. This will remove the Name Box assignment and will also restore the text box's original frame, background, and printing attributes.*

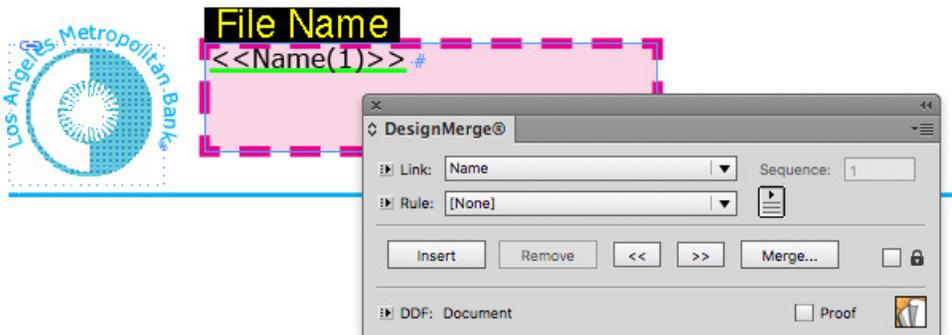
5) In the Name Box, insert at least one Variable Text Link along with any desired fixed text, and the appropriate file name extension (".pdf").

As discussed earlier, the content in the Name Box will determine the name for each job the Print Driver merge session will produce. So, if you were to type a name into this box manually, that name would be used as the name for all jobs that the merge session creates. Note that since this name would be invariable, if multiple jobs were produced by a merge session, they would overwrite each other because the exact same name would be used over and over again. Obviously this is not a desirable result.

To vary the name of each job that a merge session creates for a document, you must first include in your database a field which contains a unique name for each job that you wish to create. Then, to make the content in the Name Box variable, just place a Variable Text Link for that data inside the box as you normally would.

For an example, we will be using the "Name" Link for the "Name" field in the sample Form Letter database. This will produce jobs that use the Name data ("Roland Reed", "Cindy Olsen", "Thomas Corbo", etc.) for their names. Each record in our sample database contains a unique name, which is why we can use it for this example.

The picture below shows an example of a Name Box where the "Name" Variable Link has been inserted as a Text Link:



Now, because the text that appears inside the Name Box is going to be used as the file name for a PDF file, add “.pdf” for the file name extension. For example, simply enter the characters “.pdf” to the right and outside the “Name” Text Link that we just inserted, as shown below:



Note that it is important to add the “.pdf” characters outside the “Name” Text Link. Otherwise, the “.pdf” characters will be replaced by the incoming variable text during the merge process. If the “.pdf” characters are inside the Text Link, you can easily move them to the outside by highlighting the “.pdf” characters and selecting **Utilities** ⇒ **Link** ⇒ **Clear Selection Range** from the **DesignMerge** menu.

6) Merge the document.

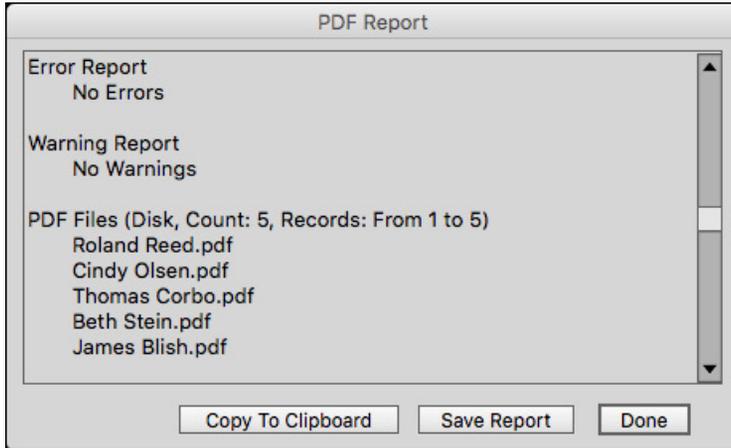
Merge the document as described earlier in this manual except set the **Page Sets per Job** option as described below to use the Name Box feature successfully:

Set the Page Sets per Job value.

When using the Name Box feature, you will typically want to set the **Page Sets per Job** value to the number “1”. That way, the merge session will create an individual job for each merged variation of the document. For example, using the Form Letter tutorial where the document has one page, enter “1” and the Print Driver will create five jobs, each containing one merged page.

7) Review the summary report.

When the merge session has finished, you will be presented with the summary report window listing the jobs created by the merge session. Notice that each job's name reflects the contents of its merged Name Box. For example, five jobs were created from this set of steps, each one basing its name on the "Name" data in the sample database, as shown below:



As long as the **Control Box Processing** feature is enabled (see the “Enabling Control Box Processing” topic earlier in this manual) and the merge session is able to locate a Name Box in the document, then the session will use the contents of the Name Box for the names of the jobs it produces. If Control Box Processing is not enabled, or if the session cannot find a Name Box in the document, then the session will name the jobs as it normally does by automatically appending a record range and file name extension to the Base Job Name.



If you create a job containing more than one merged page set (i.e., you set the **Page Sets Per Job** to any number greater than the number “1”), the job will carry the name provided by the first Name Box in that job. Additionally, if your document contains more than one sequence of Links, the output will be given the name provided by the record(s) that were merged according to the Sequence Number you assigned to the Links in the job's first Name Box.



The file names of Meadows PDF Driver output may contain a maximum number of 128 characters, including the file name extension (.pdf). Before you run a PDF Driver merge session that will use a Name Box, run a **Longest Line Test** merge session to confirm the longest file name the merge session will produce will be less than 32 characters.

More Information

For more information about DesignMerge and its modules, see the information that is included in PDF format in DesignMerge Documentation, as described below:

Tutorials present various features of DesignMerge in an easy-to-follow, step-by-step format to help you quickly learn more about using DesignMerge. You will find PDFs of the tutorials with accompanying sample files in the “DesignMerge Tutorials” folder, which is inside the “DesignMerge Documentation” folder.

Manuals for modules in the DesignMerge software package are available in PDF format inside their corresponding folders in the “Additional DesignMerge Documentation” folder.

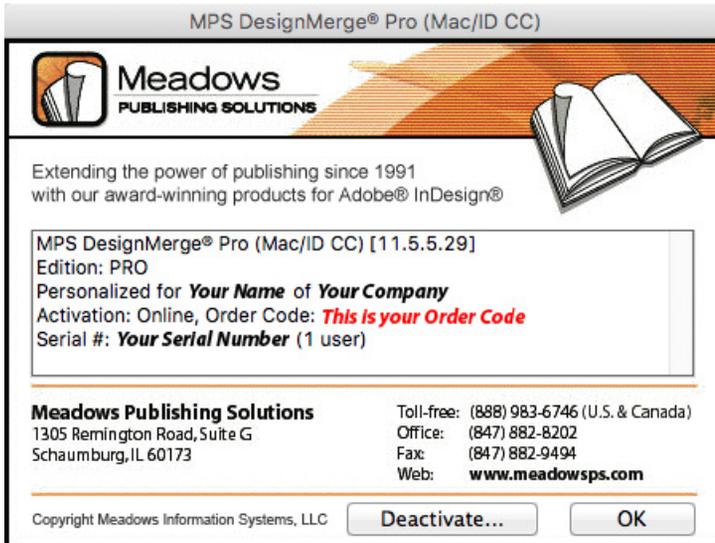


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Technical Support

For information about DesignMerge Support and to submit a Support Ticket, go to www.meadowspublishing.com/support. You can also go to this web page by opening the **DesignMerge** menu and selecting **Help** ⇒ **Online Support Center**.

When requesting support, please provide your **DesignMerge Order Code**. The Order Code was originally provided on an email message. You can also see which Order Code has been used to activate your installation of DesignMerge by opening the **DesignMerge** menu and selecting **Help** ⇒ **About DesignMerge**. An example of the About DesignMerge window is shown below:



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