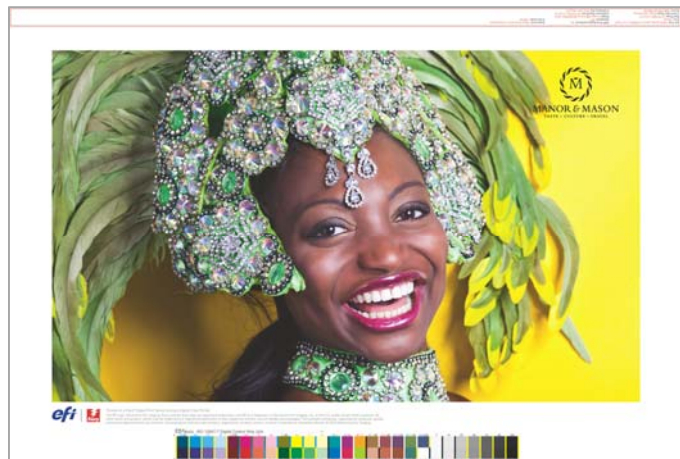


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## Feature overview

Fiery® Control Bar Builder makes it easy to create custom control bars and slug lines. It is ideal for color tracking and process control. A control bar ensures color consistency throughout the print run. Using Job Properties, you can select and customize control bars.

Control Bar Builder has a WYSIWYG interface, which displays different color bars or job information, depending on the application or intended audience. Each custom control bar can be used across all media sizes, reducing setup time and simplifying the operator's job.

Users can customize font, text size and color, as well as the order of information within the bar. The control bar can be placed vertically or horizontally, and at different locations on the sheet. The Fiery driver and Job Properties provide a selection of the default and custom control bars created with Control Bar Builder.

Control Bar Builder provides flexibility on control bar placement and content across media sizes. You can design custom control bars for color consistency and quality control of specific jobs or complete production workflows.

## Objectives of exercise

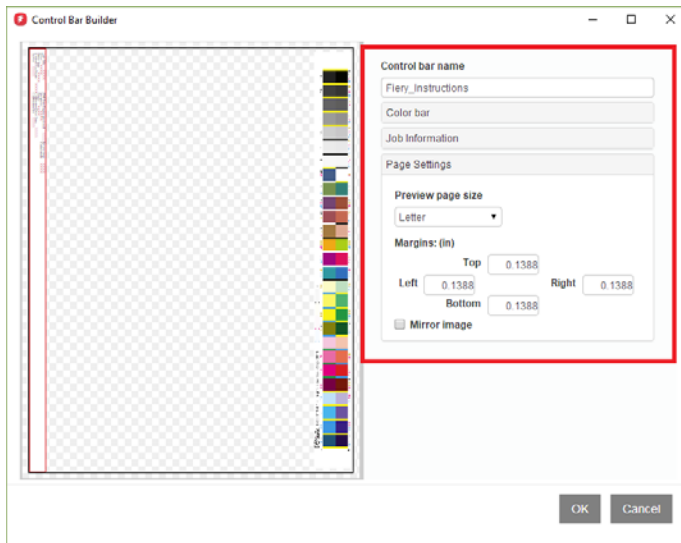
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## Additional resources

For additional software downloads, training resources and more, go to [Fiery Online Resources](#).

## Before you Begin

- Open Fiery Command WorkStation® 6 or later and connect to at least one Fiery server running Fiery FS300 or FS300Pro.
- Activate the Fiery Productivity Package on the Fiery FS300.
- Activate the Fiery Graphic Arts Package, Premium Edition on the Fiery System FS300 Pro.
- Place the following files in the Fiery server Held queue. Drag the file to the Command WorkStation Held list or use the Command WorkStation Import menu option.
  - **MnM\_letterhead\_LTR\_SAMPLE.pdf** or **MnM\_letterhead\_A4\_SAMPLE.pdf**
  - **MnM\_poster\_garota\_SAMPLE\_11x17.pdf** or **MnM\_poster\_garota\_SAMPLE\_A3.pdf**



## Customize a control bar

1. Click **Server > Device Center** in Fiery Command WorkStation.
2. Select the **COLOR SETUP** tab.
3. Click **Control Bar**.
4. Click **Create New**.
5. In **Control bar name**, enter a name for the control bar. For this example, type **Fiery\_Instructions**.
6. In the Color bar section, select the **Color Bar** check box.
7. Select a color bar.
8. Use the placement arrow keys to move the color bar location to the right side.

*The inserted color bar can be changed with the drop-down menu, or select the + icon to browse to a custom color bar.*

9. Click **Job Information** and select the **Job Information** check box.
10. In the Information selection tab, define the items to be included and change the listed order.

*Available options are from the Job Info, Image, Color and General categories  
To move an item up or down in the list, select the item and use the arrow keys.  
To insert additional items and to view all item options, use the + key.  
To remove an item, select it and then use the – key.*

11. Click the + icon to add the following items to the list.
  - a. Click on the General arrow to view a list of options. Select several option check boxes.
  - b. Click on the Job Info arrow to view a list of options. Select the **Instructions** check box.
  - c. Click on the Color arrow to view a list of options. Select several option check boxes.
  - d. Click **OK** when done.

12. Use the arrow keys to move the **Control Bar Name** below Job Title.
13. Click the **Text controls** tab, and modify the **Font**, **Size** and **Color** as desired.
14. Change the Placement location to the left edge, using the arrows.
15. Click **Page Settings**.
16. In Preview page size, select **8 1/2 x 11** or **A4**. Note the control bar placement in the preview.
17. In Preview page size, select **12x18** or **SRA3**. Note the control bar placement in the preview.
18. When you have customized all the options, click **OK**.
19. The new control bar now appears in the Control Bar list.
20. In the next section, you will apply the new control bar to multiple jobs.

## Apply a custom control bar

1. Select the **MnM\_letterhead\_LTR\_SAMPLE.pdf** and **MnM\_poster\_garota\_SAMPLE\_11x17.pdf** or **MnM\_letterhead\_A4\_SAMPLE.pdf** and **MnM\_poster\_garota\_SAMPLE\_A3.pdf** files in the Command WorkStation Held list.
2. Then right-click to select **Properties**.
3. Click the **Job Info** icon.
4. Under Job notes in the Instructions field, type **Show these prints to John Smith**.
5. Under Reporting, select the Control Bar named **Fiery\_Instructions**.
6. In the upper-left corner of Job Properties, change the selected Job from **All (2)** to **MnM\_poster\_garota\_SAMPLE\_11x17.pdf** or **MnM\_poster\_garota\_SAMPLE\_A3.pdf** file.
  - a. Click the **Media** icon.
  - b. Specify the media options or Paper Catalog to print the file on a **13x19** or **SRA3** media.
7. In the upper-left corner of Job Properties, select **All (2)**.
8. When both jobs are selected, click **Print**. Or select **Process and Hold** to view the results in Preview.
9. The results show both jobs printed using the same control bar on different media sizes.



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