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## Feature Overview

The VDP Multi-Up Booklet is a Fiery Impose feature that allows two records to be printed on a sheet, reducing costs by printing on a larger sheet size for a single click charge. It is accessed via Fiery Impose, and users can save settings as an Impose preset that can be selected from Virtual Printers or Hot Folders for automated job submission.

For records of different page lengths, blank pages will be positioned automatically — based on pagination requirements. If covers are not enabled, the blank pages should fall at the end of the job. Otherwise, with covers enabled, the blank pages could fall somewhere in the middle after the job is folded during offline finishing.

## Customer Benefits

- Offers open VDP implementation, ensuring compatibility in all VDP workflows and complete flexibility.
- Consistent Fiery workflow interface greatly reduces training curve for existing Fiery users, leading to fast adoption and higher productivity.
- The Preview function allows the user to proof and examine the actual output, ensuring proper output and reducing spoilage.
- The VDP Control Strip helps identify a spoiled sheet, which reduces waste and improves turnaround time.
- User can apply media types such as covers and apply finishing to the VDP records. This feature increases automation of the output process and reduces the number of manual off-line steps in production.
- Allows faster throughput by producing a job using fewer sheets and fewer clicks, and reduces costs by printing two records on a larger sheet size.

## Objectives of the Exercise

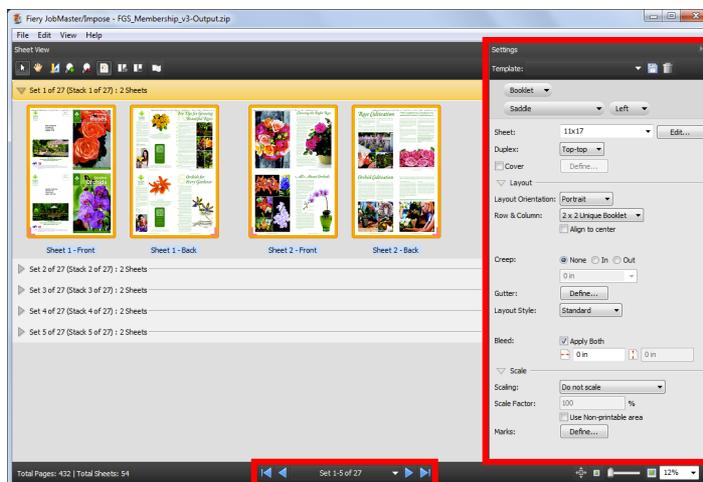
- Import a PPML Job
- Apply 2-up Booklet Imposition to the PPML Job
- Print and Hold the document

## Additional Resources

If you would like to learn more about Fiery product features, EFI has created interactive online courses designed to enhance Fiery product knowledge and help increase performance. For a complete list of the online courses we offer, go to the [Fiery eLearning](#) web page.

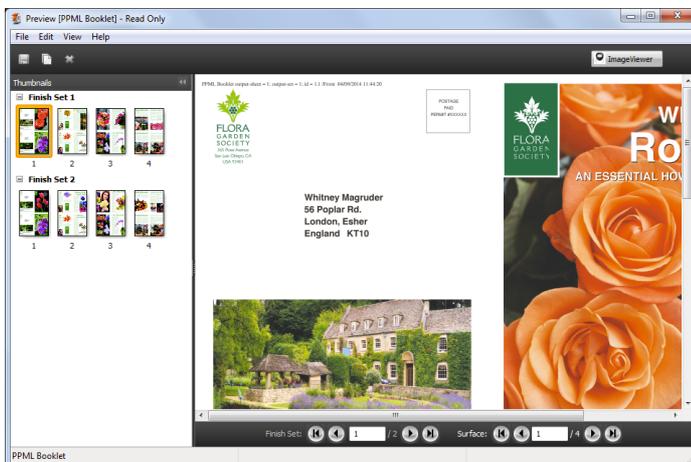
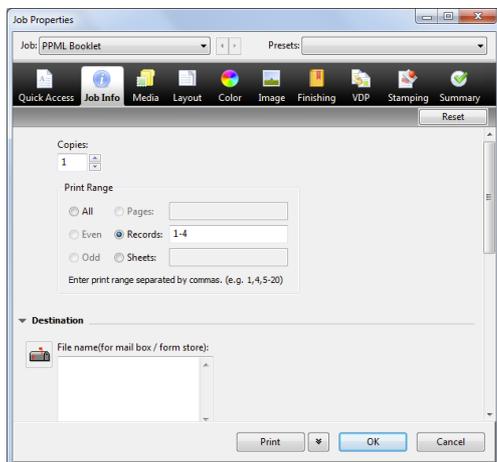
### Before you begin

- Have Fiery Command WorkStation 5.6 or above opened and connected to at least one Fiery server, running Fiery FS150/FS150 Pro or above.
- Activate the Fiery Impose license on the Command WorkStation client or attach the Fiery Impose dongle to the Fiery Command WorkStation client.
- Ensure the printer and Fiery have been calibrated before printing any output.
- Place the sample file folder: **Half\_LTR.zip** or **Half\_A4** in the Fiery Held queue. Drag and drop the file to the Command WorkStation Held queue or use the Command WorkStation Import menu option.



## Imposing a Variable Data Booklet

1. Select the file **Half\_LTR-Graphics.zip** or **A5-Graphics.zip** in the Held queue, right click and select Process and Hold.
2. In the Device Center under the Resources tab select the VDP Resources, and click on the arrow next to PPML. Your VDP images are stored for your PPML document.
3. In the Job Center select the PPML file **FGS\_Membership\_v3-Output.zip** in the **Held** queue, right click and select **Impose**.
4. Select **Booklet 2-up saddle** from the **Template** drop down menu.
5. Layout Orientation set to **Portrait**.
6. Set the Sheet size to **11 x 17** or **A3**.
7. Set Row & Column to **2x2 Unique Booklet**.
8. Select **Define...** next to **Marks**. Uncheck all print boxes in the **Trim**, **Fold** and **Job Label** tabs and **OK** when done.
9. Select the **Toggle Sheet Content** icon in the toolbar. Fiery Impose will generate thumbnails for the first five records.
10. When the first record set is displayed, scroll to the bottom of the Sheet View window. The next four Sets will be condensed.
11. Select the expand button on **Set 3 of 27** to preview the third record. Select to Collapse the view.
12. Click on the Record 1-5 of 27 page scroll button to change the record range from 1-5 to 1-7. (highlighted above) Click **OK**.
13. Thumbnails for the next two records will be generated and added to the current record sets. The Fiery Server does not need to reprocess the first five records again.
14. To save the job and exit Fiery Impose, select the red **X** in the upper right-hand corner.
15. When the Save window opens, enter the new job name. For this example, enter **PPML Booklet** and select **Yes**.



## Select the records to print

1. Select the file **PPML Booklet** in the **Held** queue and right-click to select **Properties**.
2. Select the **Job Info** tab.
3. To print a small subset of the records select the **Records** radio button in the **Print Range** area.
  - a. For this example. In the **Records** text box, enter **1-4**.
4. Select **Print and hold** to send the job to the printer.
5. Select the rasterized job in the Held queue and right-click to select **Preview**.
6. The output should be four booklets, each containing 4 sheets.
  - The first set of two booklets will be for Whitney Magruder containing information on Roses and Caroline Armstrong containing information on Orchids.
  - The second set of two booklets will be for Robin Sparkman containing information on Tulips and Alan Wayne containing information on Orchids
7. The printed documents are ready for offline finishing.



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