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# THE GUIDE



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# SECTION 0 INTRODUCTION

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# WELCOME & INTRODUCTION

# THE COMPANY AND CORPORATE DESIGN GUIDELINES

### THE DESIGN GUIDELINES

These guidelines describe the visual and verbal elements that represent **Affinity Solutions'** corporate identity. This includes our name, logo and other elements such as color, type and graphics.

Sending a consistent and controlled message of who we are is essential to presenting a strong, unified image of our company.

These guidelines reflect **Affinity Solutions'** commitment to quality, consistency and style.

The **Affinity Solutions** brand, including the logo, name, colors and identifying elements, are valuable company assets.

Each of us is responsible for protecting the company's interests by preventing unauthorized or incorrect use of the **Affinity Solutions** name and marks.

### SECTION 1 CORPORATE LOGO

The Logo Introduction
The Logo Application
The Logo Elements
Clearspace and computation

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### LOGO INTRODUCTION

Our Logo is the key building block of our identity, the primary visual element that identifies us. The signature is a combination of the symbol itself and our company name – they have a fixed relationship that should never be changed in any way.

### THE FULL LOGOTYPE

The Affinity Solutions Logo is a powerful image evoking the culture of technology and marketing services and solutions - the connection between the strength of marketing and technology and the different points that influence.

The structure of the logo a particular relationship with the Affinity Solutions name. The Logo Type has been carefully chosen for its modern and yet refined, highly legible style, which has been further

enhanced by the use of lower case letters. The typeface is Century Gothic Bold.

The corporate logo is presented through the use of colour as well as shape and form. The two corporate colors are Blue and Grey. It is a fresh and appealing blend of colours chosen for their strong combination - modern - classic - timeless. The Colours have been selected according to international standards as shown below and are easily implemented.

### THE LOGOTYPE



### 1) The Logo Type - One Line

The main logo is the two-color logo used on white or light backgrounds. For darker backgrounds you will find an alternative below.

### 2) The Logo Type - Stacked

Created for alternate situations where horizontal space is at a premium, the stacked logo offers versatility.

### **Logo Color Dark Blue**

CMYK : C 99 M 87 Y 35 K 26 Pantone : PMS 534C RGB : R 30 G 51 B 25 Web : #1e335f

### **Logo Color Light Blue**

C 61 M 31 Y 3 K 0 CMYK Pantone PMS 549C RGB R 102 G 153 B 204 Web #6699cc

### LOGO WHITE VERSION

LOGO BLACK VERSION

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### 3) The Logo White Version

will be used when the background color is dark colored.

### 4) The Logo Black Version

will be used for black & white applications.

### Recommended formats are:

.eps | .ai | .png | .jpg | .tiff

### Attention:

Use of any stylized, animated, hand drawn or other versions of a unofficial logo is not permitted. This undermines the logo system and brand consistency. Please consult with Affinity Solutions Trademark Licensing if you have any questions or need further help.

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### LOGO CONSTRUCTION, CLEARSPACE COMPUTATION

It is important to keep corporate marks clear of any other graphic elements. To regulate this, an exclusion zone has been established around the corporate mark. This exclusion zone indicates the closest any other graphic element or message can be positioned in relation to the mark of the the symbol itself and our company name – they have a fixed relationship that should never be changed in any way.

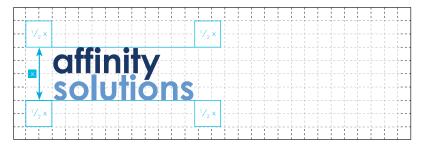
### 1 Line Logo Computation

To work out the clearspace take the height of the 1 line logo and divide it in half. (Clearspace =  $\times$  height / 2).



### **Stacked Logo Computation**

To work out the clearspace take the height of the Stacked logo and divide it in half. (Clearspace = Height / 2).



### **CLEARSPACE**

1 Line Logo and Stacked Logo

### **Definition**

Whenever you use the logo, it should be surrounded with clear space to ensure its visibility and impact. No graphic elements of any kind should invade this zone.

# APPLICATION ON A BACKGROUND





### SECTION 2 CORPORATE TYPOGRAPHY

The Corporate Fonts
Primary Font
Secondary Font
Font Hierarchy

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# THE CORPORATE FONTS AND TYPOGRAPHY

### THE CORPORATE TYPOGRAPHY

Typography plays an important role in communicating an overall tone and quality. Careful use of typography reinforces our personality and ensures clarity and harmony in all Affinity Solutions communications. We have selected

Century Gothic and Futura, which helps inject energy and enthusiasm into the entire Affinity Solutions communications, as the primary and secondary corporate typefaces.

### CENTURY GOTHIC FOR OUTBOUND COMMUNICATIONS

Century Gothic is the font of choice when sending outbound PowerPoints and Word documents so that clients see the same formatting that you do.

### PRIMARY CORPORATE FONT

### PRIMARY FONT CENTURY GOTHIC

### DESIGNER: SOL HESS

### THE FONT

Century Gothic is a design based on 20th Century, and was drawn between 1936 and 1947.

Century Gothic sustains the basic design of Futura, but has an enlarged 'x' height and has been modified to ensure suitable output from modern digital systems.

Regular

### TYPE EXAMPLES CENTURY GOTHIC

# **CENTURY GOTHIC**

A B C D E F G H I J K L M
N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z
a b c d e f g h i j k l m

A B C D E F G H I J K L M
N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z
a b c d e f g h i j k l m
n o p q r s t u v w x y z

Figures  $0 \quad 1 \quad 2 \quad 3 \quad 4 \quad 5 \quad 6 \quad 7 \quad 8 \quad 9 \quad 0$ 

### SECTION 2 CORPORATE TYPOGRAPHY

The Corporate Fonts Primary Font Secondary Font Font Hierarchy

### PRIMARY CORPORATE FONT

### PRIMARY FONT FUTURA

### DESIGNER: PAUL RENNER

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### THE FONT

It was designed as a contribution on the New Frankfurt-project. It is based on geometric shapes that became representative of visual elements of the Bauhaus design style of 1919–33.

# **FUTURA**

Bold

ABCDEFGHIJKLM NOPQRSTUVWXYZ abcdefghijklm nopqrstuvwxyz

Light

ABCDEFGHIJKLM NOPQRSTUVWXYZ abcdefghijklm nopqrstuvwxyz

### TYPE EXAMPLES FUTURA

Figures 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0

Special Characters ! " § \$ % & / ( ) =  $\dot{z}$  ; : ; " ¶  $\not \in$  [ ] | { }  $\neq$   $\dot{z}$  '  $\not \subseteq$   $\not \subseteq$ 

### TYPOGRAPHY AND TEXT HIERARCHY

Typographic hierarchy is another form of visual hierarchy, a sub-hierarchy per se in an overall design project.

Typographic hierarchy presents lettering so that the most important words are displayed with the most impact so users can scan text for key information. Typographic

hierarchy creates contrast between elements. There are a variety of ways you can create a sense of hierarchy. Here are some of the most common techniques for Affinity Solutions layouts.

### CONTEXT TEXT AND INNER HEADLINES

Caption Text

Wouldn't it be great to know who your next best prospects are at any moment?

Futura Light

6 pt Type / 9 pt Leading

Copy Text

Wouldn't it be great to know who your next best prospects are at any moment?

Futura Light

8 pt Type / 11 pt Leading

Headlines Copytext WOULDN'T IT BE GREAT TO KNOW WHO YOUR NEXT BEST PROSPECTS ARE AT ANY MOMENT?

Futura Light - Capital Letters 10pt Type / 10pt Leading

### SUBHEADS AND HEADLINES

Subhead Sections

### **AFFINITY SOLUTIONS**

Century Gothic Bold - Capital Letters 16pt Type / 16pt Leading

Big Headlines and Titles



Century Gothic Bold or Century Gothic Light - Capital Letters 34pt Type / 30 pt Leading

# SECTION 3 CORPORATE COLOR SYSTEM

The Corporate Colors
Primary Color System
Secondary Color System



# THE PRIMARY COLOR SYSTEM AND COLOR CODES

### THE COLOR SYSTEM

Color plays an important role in the Affinity Solutions corporate identity program. The colors below are recommendations for various media. A palette of primary colors has been developed, which comprise the "One Voice" color scheme. Consistent use of

these colors will contribute to the cohesive and harmonious look of the Affinity Solutions brand identity across all relevant media. Check with your designer or printer when using the corporate colors that they will be always be consistent.

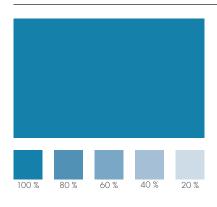
### PRIMARY COLOR SYSTEM

### Explanation:

The Affinity Solutions Company has three official colors: Dark Blue, Light Blue and Gray. These colors have become a recognizable identifier for the company.

### Usage:

Use them as the dominant color palette for all internal and external visual presentations of the company.



### PRIMARY COLOR - DARK BLUE

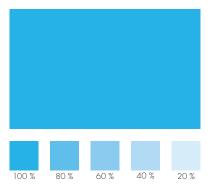
### **COLOR CODES**

CMYK : C93 M58 Y18 K2

Pantone : 641C

RGB : RO G102 B153 Web : #006699

### **COLOR TONES**



### PRIMARY COLOR - LIGHT BLUE COLOR CODES

CMYK : C69 M10 Y0 K0

Pantone: 306C

RGB : R51 G176 B230 Web : #33b0e6



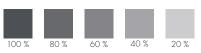


### PRIMARY COLOR - DARK GREY

### COLOR CODES

CMYK : C62 M52 Y46 K40

Pantone : Cool Grey 11C RGB : R85 G86 B90 Web : #55565a



### **COLOR TONES**

# SECTION 3 CORPORATE COLOR SYSTEM

The Corporate Colors Primary Color System Secondary Color System

# THE SECONDARY COLOR SYSTEM AND COLOR CODES

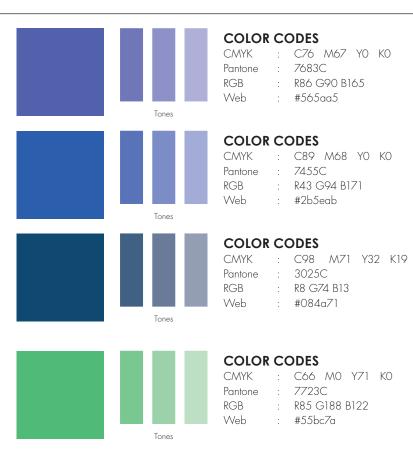
### SECONDARY COLOR SYSTEM

### **Explanation:**

The Secondary colors are complementary to our official colors, but are not recognizable identifiers for Affinity Solutions company. Secondary colors should be used sparingly, that is, in less than 10 percent of the palette in one piece.

### **Usage:**

Use them to accent and support the primary color palette.



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# WISIBILITY YIELDS HIGH IMPACT DECISIONS

# SECTION 4 CORPORATE STATIONERY

The Company Letterhead
The Company Business Cards
The Envelope



# THE AFFINITY SOLUTIONS STATIONERY

### THE AFFINITY SOLUTIONS STATIONERY SYSTEM

Stationery is a primary means of communication and it is essential that every application be a consistent reflection of our corporate identity.

There is only one approved design format for all corporate and business unit stationery, although there are slight variations in size and content for different regions of the world. This section illustrates approved layouts for standard U.S. business stationery. It includes specifications for typography, color, printing method, paper stock and word processing.

Stationery brand management guidelines do not include invoices, bills of lading, credit letters, business forms, checks, e-mail tags or other business processes.

# THE COMPANY LETTERHEAD

### THE COMPANY LETTERHEAD

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### **Explanation:**

This shows the approved layouts with the primary elements of the Affinity Solutions stationery system for the front- and backside of the letterheads.

### Usage:

The letterhead will be used for all official communication that is going out of Affinity Solutions company.

### **PARAMETER**

### **Dimensions**

8.5 x 11

### Weight

120g/m Uncoated white

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Day, Month, Year

Address Block Header

123 Main Street

Anytown USA

Placeholder text.

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Regards,

Bob Smith

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# SECTION 4 CORPORATE STATIONERY

The Company Letterhead The Company Business Cards The Envelope

# THE COMPANY BUSINESS CARD

### THE COMPANY BUSINESS CARDS

Frontside

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### **Explanation:**

This shows the approved layouts with the primary elements of the Affinity Solutions stationery system for business cards.

### Usage:

The business cards will be used for all official contact and communication of Affinity Solutions company. Insert the Affinity Solutions letterhead and send your documents throughout the world.

Backside

### **PARAMETER**

### **Dimensions**

 $3.5 \text{ in } \times 2 \text{ in}$ 

### Weight

400g/m Uncoated white

### Weight

120g/m Uncoated white

### Print

CMYK

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# THE COMPANY ENVELOPE

### THE COMPANY ENVELOPE

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### **Explanation:**

This shows the approved layout with the primary elements of the Affinity Solutions stationery system for envelopes.

### **PARAMETER**

### **Dimensions**

No. 11 Business Envelope 4.5 x 10.375 in

No. 10 Window Envelope 4.125 x 9.5 in

### Weight

400g/m Uncoated white

### **Print**

CMYK



No.11 Business envelope



No. 10 Window Envelope

### SECTION 5 LOGO PLACEMENT

The correct Logo Placement

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# THE CORRECT LOGO PLACEMENT

### WHY THIS IS IMPORTANT?

Balance is an essential feature of good design. Graphics, imagery, and text must all be balanced so that each element is able to speak clearly. If you give the logo a distinct presence in the design, it will have greater impact and won't distract from other messages you wish to communicate.

Clear area around the Affinity Solutions logo: When using the Affinity Solutions logo on its own or with "Affinity Solutions" leave at least 4 stroke widths on either side and at least 2 stroke widths above or below so that it does not appear connected to other elements. In some cases, you may need to adjust the space for visual balance.

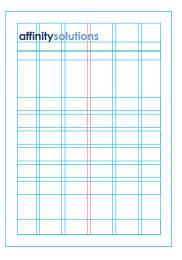
# CORRECT LOGO PLACEMENT

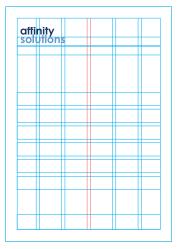
### **PARAMETER**

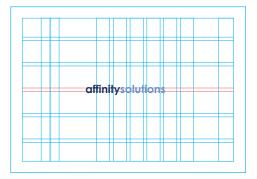
### THE LOGO PLACEMENT

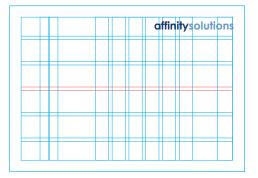
### **Explanation:**

To place the Affinity Solutions logo in the correct way please use one of the approved styles that are shown on the right. To place the Affinity Solutions logo in other ways is not allowed.









# SECTION 6 IMAGES AND BLENDING MODES

Corporate Image
Corporate Image Color
Corporate Image Black and White
Blending Modes and Options



# THE AFFINITY SOLUTIONS CORPORATE IMAGE: COLORED IMAGES

### THE CORPORATE IMAGE SYSTEM

Corporate Images are responsible to transfer the values of Affinity Solutions to our customers or our potential customers. It is a composite psychological impression that continually changes with the firm's circumstances, media coverage,

performance, pronouncements, etc. Affinity Solutions use various corporate advertising techniques to enhance their public image in order to improve their desirability as a supplier, employer, customer, borrower, partner, etc.



### **EXAMPLES FOR AFFINITY SOLUTIONS** CORPORATE IMAGE SYSTEM

### Requirements:

- bright, upbeat colors

- high contrast sharp images minimalistic look
- modern and businesslike
- genuine smiles
- avoid unrealistic smiles and images





# SECTION 6 IMAGES AND BLENDING MODES

Corporate Image
Corporate Image Color
Corporate Image Monotone
Blending Modes and Options

# THE AFFINITY SOLUTIONS CORPORATE IMAGE: MONOTONE

### EXAMPLES FOR AFFINITY SOLUTIONS CORPORATE IMAGE SYSTEM

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### **Requirements:**

- black and white base photo
- high contrast
- sharp images
- minimalistic look
- $\mbox{modern}$  and  $\mbox{businesslike}$
- add tint layer from corporate color palette on top using "multiply" effect







# THE AFFINITY SOLUTIONS BLENDING MODES FOR IMAGES



### AFFINITY SOLUTIONS BLENDING MODES

**Explanation** 

Image effects and blending modes raise the concision and the recognizability of a brand. Also they are able to divide content and other graphical elements that are used in layouts. In the same way the support statement of the used images and raise application possibilities.

### How to:

- 1) use it in black and white images colors
- 2) use a placeholder with a blue or back
- 3) adjust the layer style to "multiply"



### SECTION 7 CORPORATE ICONOGRAPHY

Corporate Iconography
Application



# THE AFFINITY SOLUTIONS CORPORATE ICONOGRAPHY

### THE ICONOGRAPHY SYSTEM

An icon is a pictogram displayed on a screen or print layout in order to help the user navigate through the content in a easier way. The icon itself is a small

picture or symbol serving as a quick, "intuitive" representation of a software tool, function or a data file.









EXAMPLES FOR
AFFINITY SOLUTIONS
CORPORATE
ICONOGRAPHY SYSTEM

Spend Insights

Buyer Graph

Precision Marketing
Campaign

Closed Loop Measurement

### Product Icons:

- use icon associated with product name
- only use icon with circle background
- upscale only proportional



### Target Icon:

- use icon to emphasize moment of choice when purchasing
- only use approved circle target
- target is displayed in light blue color 2 with a transparent tint setting of 60%



### **Connector Background Icon:**

- use icon to embellish text backgrounds
- only use approved connector image
- add tint layer from corporate color palette on top using "multiply" effect

# SECTION 9 SUMMARY AND CONTACT

Summary Contact

# SUMMARY & CONTACT INFORMATION

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### SUPPORT INFORMATION

Our brand is reflected by the look, feel and tone of voice of all of our internal and external touchpoints including Affinity Solutions' website and marketing collateral. It is also reflected in the way we communicate and deal with customers.

As a vibrant business like ours, it's key that our message is consistent at every point that our customers come in to contact with us.

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