# Saddle-Stitched Booklet Layout Guide
# Using Printer Spreads

This document provides clear, production-ready instructions for designers creating stapled (saddle-stitched) booklets using printer spreads instead of individual pages.

## General Rules

• All booklets must have a total page count divisible by four.

• Covers are included in the page count (Front Cover = Page 1).

• Design files must be built using printer spreads, not reader spreads.

• Left pages are even-numbered; right pages are odd-numbered.

• Bleed must be added to all outer edges. Do not add bleed on the spine fold unless requested.

• Allow extra inner margin space near the fold to protect critical content.

• Creep (page push) should be handled either by the printer or manually—confirm responsibility before layout.

# 16-Page Booklet

| Spread Order | Left Page | Right Page |
|---|---|---|
| 1 | 16 | 1 |
| 2 | 2 | 15 |
| 3 | 14 | 3 |
| 4 | 4 | 13 |
| 5 | 12 | 5 |
| 6 | 6 | 11 |
| 7 | 10 | 7 |
| 8 | 8 | 9 |

# 20-Page Booklet

| Spread Order | Left Page | Right Page |
|---|---|---|
| 1 | 20 | 1 |
| 2 | 2 | 19 |
| 3 | 18 | 3 |
| 4 | 4 | 17 |
| 5 | 16 | 5 |
| 6 | 6 | 15 |
| 7 | 14 | 7 |
| 8 | 8 | 13 |
| 9 | 12 | 9 |
| 10 | 10 | 11 |

# 24-Page Booklet

| Spread Order | Left Page | Right Page |
|---|---|---|
| 1 | 24 | 1 |
| 2 | 2 | 23 |
| 3 | 22 | 3 |
| 4 | 4 | 21 |
| 5 | 20 | 5 |
| 6 | 6 | 19 |
| 7 | 18 | 7 |
| 8 | 8 | 17 |
| 9 | 16 | 9 |
| 10 | 10 | 15 |
| 11 | 14 | 11 |
| 12 | 12 | 13 |

# 28-Page Booklet

| Spread Order | Left Page | Right Page |
|---|---|---|
| 1 | 28 | 1 |
| 2 | 2 | 27 |
| 3 | 26 | 3 |
| 4 | 4 | 25 |
| 5 | 24 | 5 |
| 6 | 6 | 23 |
| 7 | 22 | 7 |
| 8 | 8 | 21 |
| 9 | 20 | 9 |
| 10 | 10 | 19 |
| 11 | 18 | 11 |
| 12 | 12 | 17 |
| 13 | 16 | 13 |
| 14 | 14 | 15 |

# 32-Page Booklet

| Spread Order | Left Page | Right Page |
|---|---|---|
| 1 | 32 | 1 |
| 2 | 2 | 31 |
| 3 | 30 | 3 |
| 4 | 4 | 29 |
| 5 | 28 | 5 |
| 6 | 6 | 27 |
| 7 | 26 | 7 |
| 8 | 8 | 25 |
| 9 | 24 | 9 |
| 10 | 10 | 23 |
| 11 | 22 | 11 |
| 12 | 12 | 21 |
| 13 | 20 | 13 |
| 14 | 14 | 19 |
| 15 | 18 | 15 |
| 16 | 16 | 17 |

# 36-Page Booklet

| Spread Order | Left Page | Right Page |
|---|---|---|
| 1 | 36 | 1 |
| 2 | 2 | 35 |
| 3 | 34 | 3 |
| 4 | 4 | 33 |
| 5 | 32 | 5 |
| 6 | 6 | 31 |
| 7 | 30 | 7 |
| 8 | 8 | 29 |
| 9 | 28 | 9 |
| 10 | 10 | 27 |
| 11 | 26 | 11 |
| 12 | 12 | 25 |
| 13 | 24 | 13 |
| 14 | 14 | 23 |
| 15 | 22 | 15 |
| 16 | 16 | 21 |
| 17 | 20 | 17 |
| 18 | 18 | 19 |

# 40-Page Booklet

| Spread Order | Left Page | Right Page |
|---|---|---|
| 1 | 40 | 1 |
| 2 | 2 | 39 |
| 3 | 38 | 3 |
| 4 | 4 | 37 |
| 5 | 36 | 5 |
| 6 | 6 | 35 |
| 7 | 34 | 7 |
| 8 | 8 | 33 |
| 9 | 32 | 9 |
| 10 | 10 | 31 |
| 11 | 30 | 11 |
| 12 | 12 | 29 |
| 13 | 28 | 13 |
| 14 | 14 | 27 |
| 15 | 26 | 15 |
| 16 | 16 | 25 |
| 17 | 24 | 17 |
| 18 | 18 | 23 |
| 19 | 22 | 19 |
| 20 | 20 | 21 |