



QuickCarton

A Mac only Plug-in for Adobe Illustrator - (v5 for CS6 and v6 for CC)

QuickCarton is designed to allow the Illustrator user to quickly and easily create basic, corrugated carton layouts for various panel arrangements and material thicknesses. Layouts are created with dimensions and graphics safe area guides as a spot Die Color and registration marks that will print in all separations. Dimensions can be entered in inches or millimeters.

Using QuickCarton

Installation

Put QuickCarton in your Plug-ins folder in the application folder. The QuickCarton command will appear under the Object menu.

Panel Arrangement

Choose Length (side) or Width (end) as first panel.

Carton Type

Choose Half Slotted Carton or Regular Slotted Carton.

Flute

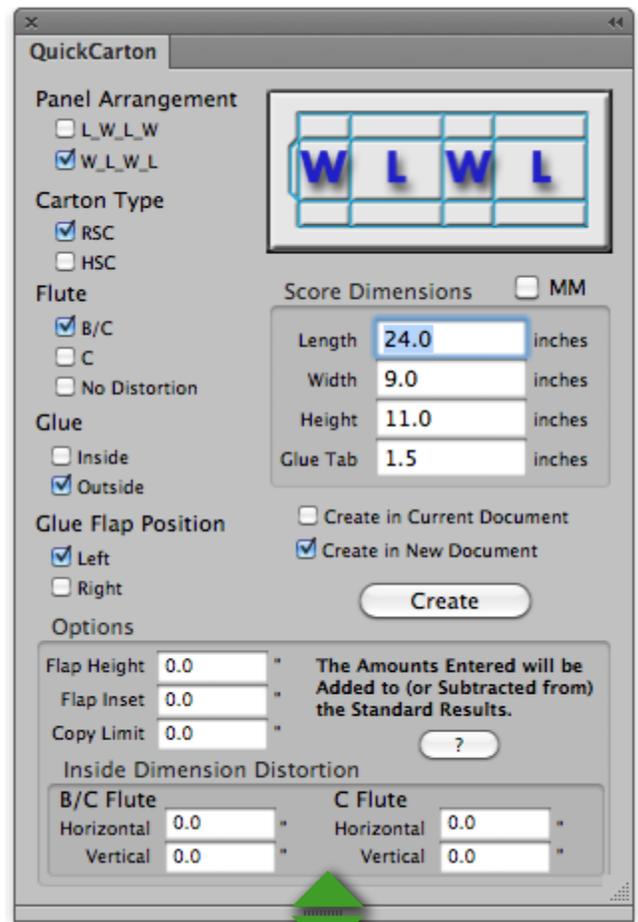
When using outside dimensions, select No Distortion. Select the corrugated flute thickness when entering inside dimensions.

Glue

Inside or Outside glue flap.

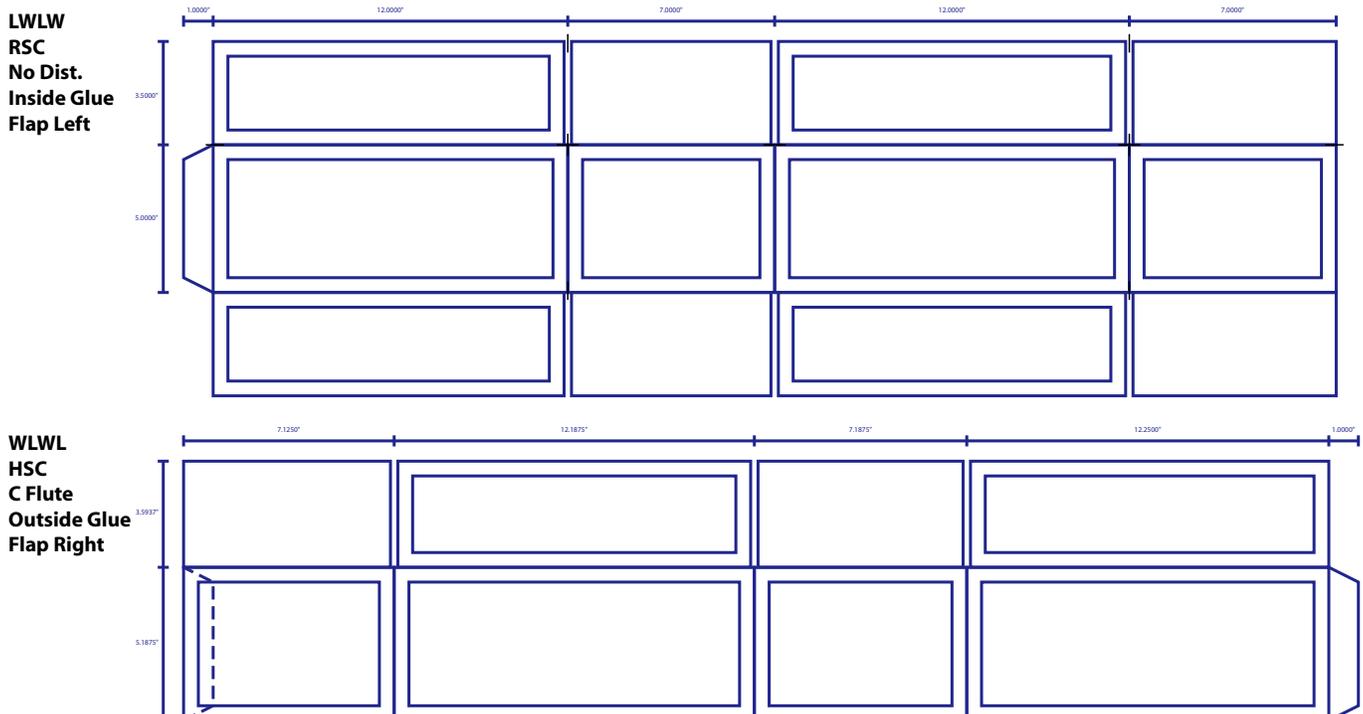
Glue Flap Position

Left or right.



Options settings are revealed by dragging the bottom of the QuickCarton floating panel (see page 2).

After selecting the desired setting and entering carton dimensions, click the "Create" button to build your carton die in the current document or have QuickCarton create a new document of the correct size for your layout.



QuickCarton - Option Settings

QuickCarton option settings allow the user to alter the standard values used when creating the carton layout.

Flap Height - The flap height is calculated to be one half of the carton width. Enter a negative value here to reduce the size of the flap or a positive value to increase it.

Flap Inset- The flap inset standard value is 0.25 inches or 6.225 mm, half on either side of the fold (i.e. the flap is short of the fold by 0.125" on each side). Enter a positive or negative value to increase or decrease the inset.

Copy Limit - The copy safe area indicators are 0.5 inches or 12.45 mm. Enter a negative value here to reduce the distance from the fold or a positive value to increase it.

B/C and C Flute Distortions

Inside dimension distortions are based on industry standards for the corrugated flute used. If adjustments are necessary, entering positive values will increase the final outside dimension and negative values will decrease them.

