

Digital Imaging – Aspect Ratio

Notes on file preparation:

Images from a 'compact' digital camera are usually in the format 4:3

Images from SLR digital camera are in the format 3:2

For standard lab prints SLR camera images can be printed to:

6"x4", 7.5"x5", 9"x6", 12"x8" and 15"x10"

Other sizes eg. 10"x8" need to be cropped

From an SLR image you will lose part of the image from the sides

Yellow area will be lost



For standard lab prints 'compact' camera images can only be printed to: 8"x6"

Other sizes eg. 10"x8" need to be cropped

A 'compact' camera image cropped to 6"x4" or 9"x6" or 12"x8" or 15"x10" will lose part of the image from the top and or bottom

Yellow area will be lost



For printing through lab or on ink-jet printers

without RIP software, resize the image to the print size at 300dpi. e.g. 15"x10" @300dpi

For photographic lab printing save as .jpg - preferably embedded Srgb profile (not progressive jpg)