

WHEN CRICUT & SILHOUETTE USERS SHOULD SWITCH TO CUSTOM TRANSFERS TO SAVE MONEY & TIME [WEBINAR]





# Agenda



- What quantity it makes sense to switch
- Too detailed to cut, too many colors it's no problem with custom transfers
- How to send us art you created in the Cricut or Silhouette Design Studio
- How to optimize gang sheets to save more!
- Apply your custom transfer in just 4 seconds along with other application tips



## Comparison What is HTV (Heat Transfer Vinyl



- Cut from vinyl material
- Weeded to remove excess vinyl
- Applied with a heat press



### Comparison What is a screen printed transfer?



- Printed with plastisol ink onto a release paper
- No weeding
- Place ink side down and apply with your heat press



Magic Quantity Number is



Why 5

- Minimum screen printed transfer order
- Vinyl cost and weeding time will exceed transfer cost and time



With Screen Printed Transfer You can get more detail



QAL-245

- Distress, patterns no problem!
- Line thickness as small at .012"
- Show through areas .04"





Screen Printed Specialty Ink Choices

- no need to inventory vinyl you would not use again!



Glitter



Puff



Glow-in-the-Dark



Pearl



Multi-Color Transfers One Four Second Application Already Aligned on the release paper





Money Saving Gang Sheets

- Fill 11.25" x 14" sheet with whatever fits using the same color or colors
- Cut paper apart before applying









### Sending Art You Created in Cricut Design Studio

Start by changing all the pieces in the design with the Linetype set to Cut and the Fill set to Print. Then modify the print colors to whatever colors you want the final transfer to be. This will give the design crisp areas of color without the thin cut line that appears on images prepared for cutting on your Cricut.





### Sending Art You Created in Cricut Design Studio

Next, size the design to take up as much of the screen as possible. Since there is no way to actually export or save the artwork outside of Cricut, you will eventually be taking a screen shot of the image, so bigger is better to capture all the details.





Finally, turn off the visible grid lines so the image has a solid white background. This will help give the final image nice, clean lines.

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### Sending Art You Created in Cricut Design Studio

### Take a Screen Capture of Your Design

Now, use a screen snipping tool to select the image.

The key here is to try to get as close to the edges of the design as possible. This will make sizing the image easier later on. And don't worry if you don't get it on the first try – this part can be tricky!





## Sending Art You Created in Silhouette Studio

Option 1: Print your design as a PDF

For windows, you need an app that can print to PDF. These apps work as a "virtual printer". When you go to "print" your design, select the program as your "printer" and it will save the file as a PDF.

Microsoft Print to PDF is a virtual printer that is already installed on Windows 10.

There is also a free program called PDFCreator that can be installed. With this program, you can also save files as JPG and PNG

If you have Adobe Acrobat, you'll see Adobe PDF as one of your printer options.

To "print" to PDF on Windows:

1.Click on printer icon in the top left, or hit CTR-P

2. Select your "virtual Printer" as your printer. These will be either "Microsoft Print to PDF", "Adobe PDF", or "PDFCreator"

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3. Hit Print



## Sending Art You Created in Silhouette Studio

#### Option 2: Take a Screenshot

This is a quick option where the image quality will be a little less, but should work fine as long as you make the image on your screen as large as possible.

In Windows, use the Snipping Tool

1. Click the Windows icon or start button, and navigate to the Windows search box.

2. Type "snip", and select the Snipping Tool from the search results.



3, Make sure the "Mode" is set to "Rectangular Snip". Select "New", and use the crosshairs to click and drag a rectangle around your design.

4. The Snipping Tool will show you a preview of your screenshot. From there, you can save it as a PNG of JPG.



## Import Into Easy View or Upload

### Import the Image File into Easy View

Next, log into Easy View, the online t-shirt transfer designer.

Click the "Add Your Art" button and choose the file from your saved location.

The tighter you got your screen shot closer to the artwork, the easier it will be to size yo final transfer design.



Set your design to the size you would like your transfer to be.

Since this is a bitmap file (.png or .jpg), you will need to click the "Configure Color Map button" if you are getting screen printed transfers. This will choose the ink colors for printing.



# Creating Art in Easy View - What Is It?



- Free Online Designer to help you create art for custom transfers
- Preloaded with 5000+ customizable layouts, and 10000+ clip art
- Divided into popular categories schools, sports, work, events
- No art skill needed, change text, change clip art and WOW you have created custom, professional art



#### 1. Choose a Layout





2. Change Text and Clip Art





#### 3. Add Color





3. Show Mock-up and Send to Your Customer





#### 4. Set Up Your Gang Sheet and Order





# Thank you for attending

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