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- (SWOP), or RGB images.
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- → Images are 300 ppi, CMYK, RGB to print in colour, or grayscale for black-only printing.
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