

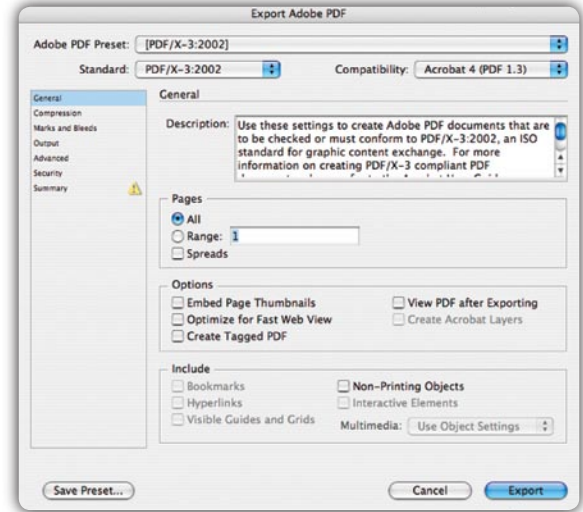
# InDesign Creating PDFs

InDesign has various ways of making PDFs, however not all of them will produce the most desired outcome for the press. This detailed tutorial will provide everything that is needed to make a PDF that works flawlessly for our pre-press department and for our press.

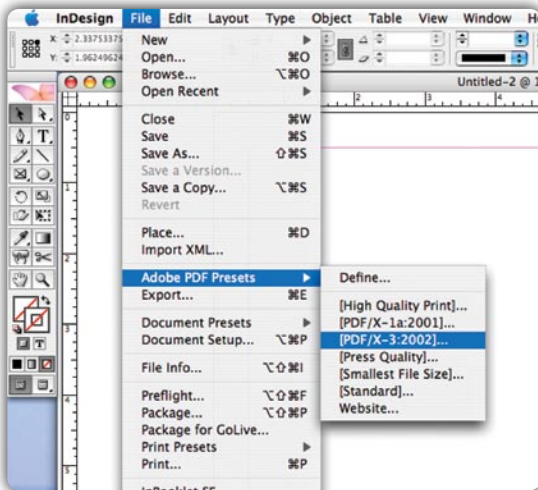
To begin, make sure you have done all the changes you need before making a PDF. After you have successfully finished your job, go to the “File” menu in the upper left corner in InDesign. (1A). About half way through the File Menu list, you will see a sub-menu called “Adobe PDF Presets.” In this sub-menu choose the option called “PDF/X-3:2002.” (1A).

After choosing the PDF/X-3:2002 standard, another window called “Export Adobe PDF” will open up. (2A). This PDF standard does not require you to make any changes at all, unless your job contains bleeds. If your job contains bleeds, go to the “Marks and Bleeds” section and under “Bleed and Slug” enter the desired bleed. (2B). Usually a 1/8” bleed is sufficient, and it should not exceed 1/4” if possible. If your job does not contain bleed, simply press export and InDesign will create the proper PDF for you.

2A



1A



2B

