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This is a short version of our brand guidelines, containing the essential elements of our brand that everyone needs to know.

For detailed guidance and additional elements please read the full brand guidelines found on the Brand ShareHub.

Our core brand elements









Our logo is made up of three elements:

- the purple vertical line;
- the Heraldic badge for Defence;
- the department name.

A. Portrait logo

Used for traditional media, print, stationery, banners etc. including documents hosted on the internet and intranets.

B. Landscape logo

The landscape logo will sometimes be more appropriate for layout or accessibility reasons. It is used for digital content including, social media, webpages and mobile devices.



A. Portrait logo.



B. Landscape logo.

The configurations shown here must never be altered. Always use the logo artwork from the Brand ShareHub.

We are one government department working towards one purpose. Our logo allows use to communicate cohesively to all our audiences and stakeholders. Personnel must NOT create or commission new logos or other branding, whether to represent their department, team or programmes. If there is a perceived need for a new logo, you must contact the **Brand Team** for advice before taking any action.

Colour variations

We have three colour variants of our logo:

- master (with the purple line);
- white;
- black.

Your background will dictate which logo version you use. The master logo should always be used unless the colour line or logo cannot be seen. In these instances the white or black version may be used where appropriate.





On a pale background.



On a pale photo background.

Logo don'ts



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Don't squash or distort.
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X

Don't place at an angle.



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Don't change the colour of the Heraldic badge.



Don't add a strapline.



Don't use the Heraldic badge on its own or as a watermark.



Don't change the colour.



Don't distort the proportion of the Heraldic badge.

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Don't place where it may get lost.

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Logo exclusion zones

The exclusion zone ensures our logo is not compromised by other elements and helps it stand out.

The following are minimum clearance areas. Whenever possible, leave more space around our logo than the exclusion zone.



A. Minimum exclusion zone for print formats (portrait logo).



A. Minimum exclusion zone for print formats (landscape logo).



B. Minimum exclusion zone for digital formats (portrait logo).



B. Minimum exclusion zone for digital formats (landscape logo).

Logo minimum sizes

The following is a guide to keep our logo size consistent across all print and digital materials.

The measurements are taken from the full height of our logo.



Print minimum size 20mm logo height. Digital minimum size 60px logo height.



Print minimum 10mm logo height. Digital minimum size 30px logo height.

Logo positioning

For maximum impact, our logo should always be used prominently and legibly. Whenever possible our logo should be placed in the top left corner of the page. Should the design not permit this, place our logo according to this guide.





Our colours



Colour palette

Dark colours

Used mainly for backgrounds

MOD dark purple	MOD dark grey	MOD dark blue	MOD dark green	MOD dark yellow			
Pantone 5115	Pantone 432	Pantone 2768	Pantone 2217	Pantone 130			
C75 M100 Y70 K20	C78 M60 Y49 K50	C100 M90 Y13 K71	C88 M0 Y28 K88	C0 M31 Y90 K0			
R79 G33 B58	R51 G63 B72	R7 G29 B73	R18 G64 B66	R247 G155 B46			
#57263B	#333F48	#071D49	#124042	#F79B2E			
Muted colours							
Used for text and when creating iconography, illustrations, graphic and charts.							
MOD muted purple	MOD muted grey	MOD muted blue	MOD muted green	MOD muted yellow			
Pantone 8801	Pantone 2167	Pantone 534	Pantone 5473	Pantone 1225			
C74 M83 Y33 K25	C79 M46 Y34 K16	C89 M71 Y32 K19	C87 M38 Y43 K29	C0 M19 Y79 K0			
R82 G55 B95	R63 G101 B120	R51 G70 B110	R24 G97 B105	R255 G200 B69			
#52375F	#3F6578	#33466E	#19626A	#FFC845			
Bright colours Used as accent colours.							
MOD bright purple	MOD light grey	MOD bright blue	MOD bright green	MOD bright yellow			
Pantone 935	Pantone 5455	Pantone 115-6	Pantone 7479	Pantone 7548			
C41 M46 Y0 K0	C8 M0 Y0 K22	C68 M0 Y0 K0	C56 M0 Y58 K0	C0 M12 Y98 K0			
R171 G146 B225	R202 G208 B214	R31 G179 B229	R38 G208 B124	R255 G198 B0			
#AB92E1	#C9D0D7	#1FB3E5	#2DD573	#FDC20B			

MOD dark orange Pantone 7579 C9 M76 Y93 K1 R218 G87 B33 #DA5720 MOD dark pink Pantone 1955 C9 M100 Y54 K43 R138 G21 B56 #8A1538

MOD muted orange Pantone 2013 C0 M46 Y100 K0 R255 G152 B0 #FF9800 MOD muted pink Pantone 190 C0 M67 Y23 K0 R238 G117 B145 #EE7592

MOD bright orange Pantone 151 C0 M60 Y100 K0 R255 G130 B0 #FF8200 MOD bright pink Pantone 237 C6 M53 Y0 K0 R236 G134 B208 #EC86D0

Gradients

Gradients can be used for illustrations, backgrounds or on photography as a colour wash. Guidance on how to add a colour wash to photography can be found in the full brand guidelines, on the <u>Brand ShareHub</u> Gradients should run from left to right with the darkest colour on the left as shown here.

Only use the gradient pairs shown. MOD dark orange and MOD bright yellow are combined to give a more vibrant gradient.

MOD dark purple			
MOD dark grey			
MOD dark blue			
MOD dark green			
MOD dark orange			
MOD dark pink			

MOD bright purple

MOD light grey

MOD bright blue

MOD bright green

MOD bright yellow

MOD bright pink

Colour combinations

Bright colours must always be paired with a dark colour. Only ever use one dark colour and one bright colour. Always follow these principles when choosing a colour combination.

Please note for accessibility reasons MOD dark orange, MOD dark yellow and MOD dark pink are never used as background colours.

Dark colours.							
MOD dark purple C75 M100 Y70 K20 R79 G33 B58 #57263b		MOD dark grey C78 M60 Y49 K50 R51 G63 B72 #333F48		MOD dark blue C99 M88 Y40 K46 R28 G37 B68 #1c2544		MOD dark green C89 M49 Y55 K55 R18 G64 B66 #124042	
Bright colours. MOD light	MOD bright	MOD bright	MOD bright	(MOD light	MOD bright	MOD bright	MOD bright
grey	blue	green	yellow	grey	blue	blue	green
MOD bright green	MOD bright yellow	MOD bright blue	MOD bright pink	MOD bright purple	MOD bright yellow	MOD bright yellow	MOD bright orange
		MOD bright purple	MOD bright orange	MOD bright pink	MOD bright orange		





Main typeface

Our main typeface is Helvetica Neue, it has been chosen for its clarity, accessibility and wide availability, ensuring a consistent application across all our communications.

To make sure your text is always legible keep in mind the following principles.

Alignment

Type alignment should be ranged left.

Type size

Always have a minimum text size of 12 point.

Helvetica Neue

Helvetica Neue Light

Aa Bb Cc Dd Ee Ff Gg Hh li Jj Kk Ll Mm Nn Oo Pp Qq Rr Ss Tt Uu Vv Ww Xx Yy Zz

Helvetica Neue Regular

Aa Bb Cc Dd Ee Ff Gg Hh li Jj Kk Ll Mm Nn Oo Pp Qq Rr Ss Tt Uu Vv Ww Xx Yy Zz

Helvetica Neue Medium

Aa Bb Cc Dd Ee Ff Gg Hh li Jj Kk Ll Mm Nn Oo Pp Qq Rr Ss Tt Uu Vv Ww Xx Yy Zz

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Alternative typeface

If Helvetica Neue is not available, for example when producing PowerPoint presentations or reports in Word, you can use Arial.

Arial

Arial Regular

Aa Bb Cc Dd Ee Ff Gg Hh li Jj Kk Ll Mm Nn Oo Pp Qq Rr Ss Tt Uu Vv Ww Xx Yy Zz

Arial Bold

Aa Bb Cc Dd Ee Ff Gg Hh li Jj Kk Ll Mm Nn Oo Pp Qq Rr Ss Tt Uu Vv Ww Xx Yy Zz

Brand elements



Graphic devices

We have three key graphics in our brand elements. They consist of a:

- content box;
- line;
- dynamic arrow.

These are used across our communications to create impact and consistency.



Vertical line. (online e.g. social media, set at 28pt) Horizontal line. (set to 12pt for A4 documents)

The content box and dynamic arrow can be downloaded in vector and png format from the <u>Brand ShareHub</u>.



Dynamic arrow.

Photography

The way in which we use photography is fundamental to the impact of our brand. Effective use of imagery helps our communications stand out as well as creating a consistent look and feel.

Our house style employs real-life, impactful and aspirational photography.

Where possible use full colour imagery. Black and white photography may be appropriate for some campaigns.

Imagery can be downloaded from our <u>image library.</u> For further guidance on selecting and commissioning photography contact the <u>Defence imagery admin team</u>.













Treated photography

Some imagery may need help to become more dynamic and vibrant, therefore we can treat our photography with a range of colour washes.

This treatment can be used on top of black and white photography (where appropriate) to bring a sense of modernity.









For guideance on our colour wash system, please refer to the full brand guidelines on the Brand Share-Jub.







Our design system



Our design system

A vast number of people are responsible for creating the visual elements that make up our brand. They are a diverse mix of individuals with varied experience in creating communications and will use different software to do so.

This tiering system has been developed to create a structure where all design programme capabilities are allowed for. This allows for each piece of collateral to feel like it's part of our brand, regardless of where and who has created it.

Tier 1

 Any users of Microsoft applications e.g. Word, PowerPoint. Tier 2

 Internal and external organisations with some in-house design capabilities / third party support.

For detailed guideance on our teir system, please refer to the full brand guidelines on the Brand ShareHub.

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Our design system

Simple image placement.

The tier system at a glance

Different applications will need varying levels of design, the tier system should be used to select the desired outcome. Simple image placement will sometimes be more appropriate while more complex layered imagery can create depth and interest.

> Ministry of Defence Ministry of Defence Ministry of Defer Ministry of Defence Annual Reports Annual report Annual report Annual report and Accounts and accounts and accounts and accounts Annual report and accounts Content box containing text. Content box containing Dynamic arrow containing Content box containing Dynamic arrow containing Layered dynamic arrow imagery with colour washed imagery with colour washed containing two images. imagery. imagery. image in background. image in background.

Tier 1	\checkmark	\checkmark			
Tier 2	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	
Tier 3	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	×

Complex layered imagery.



Layered dynamic arrow containing three images.



Further information



Contacts and other links

Brand ShareHub

https://modgovuk.sharepoint.com/sites/DDC-Brand

Brand Team

mod-brandportal@ddc-mod.org

Ministry of Defence image library

www.defenceimagery.mod.uk

For guidance on commissioning photography

admin@photos.mod.uk

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