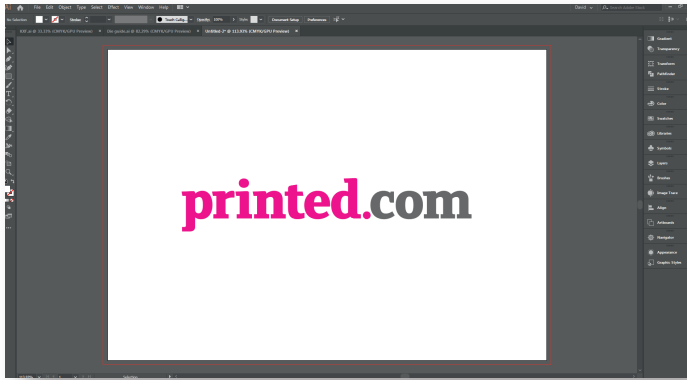
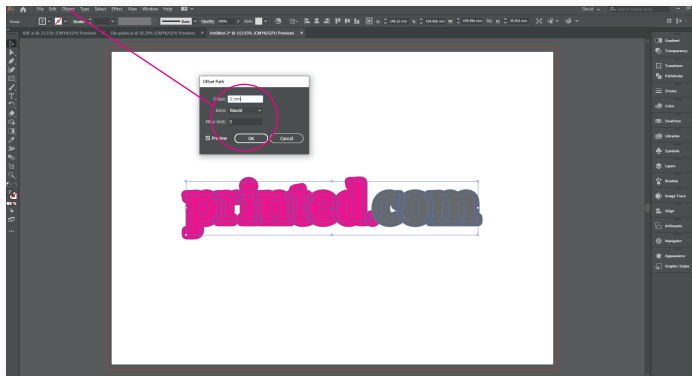


Illustrator Die cut Setup guide

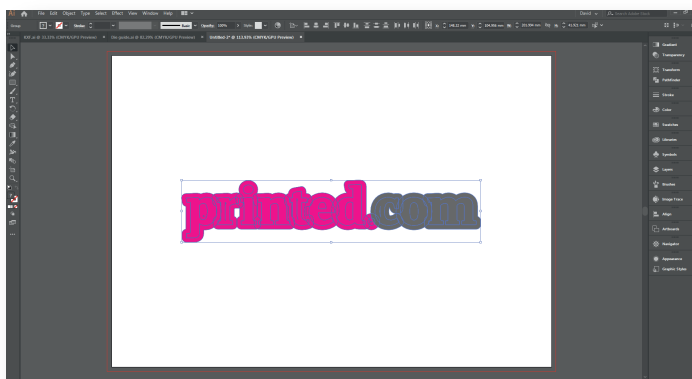
1. Open your drawing



2. Create space around your design: Choose the Selection Tool. Click and drag to select the artwork. Choose Object → Path → Offset Path.

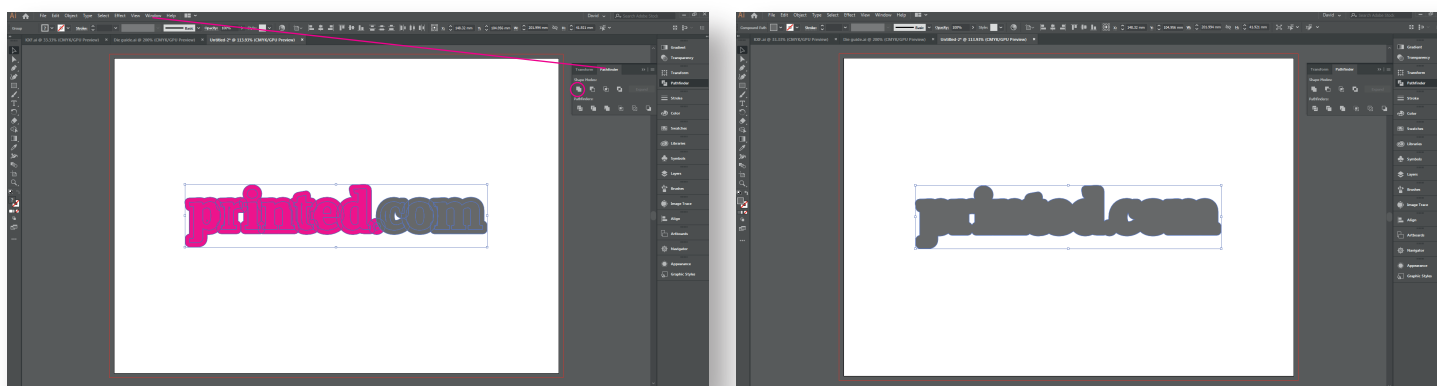


3. Modify the offset angle: Enter an Offset value, select Joins → Round, and select the Preview option. Click on OK.



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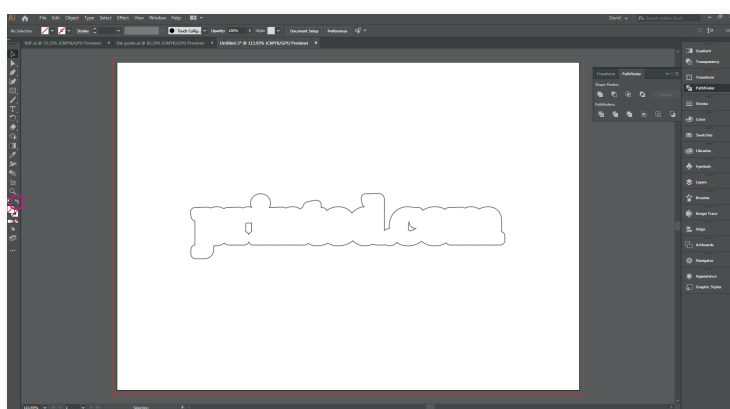
4. With the object selected, go to the Pathfinder panel (Window > Pathfinder); then choose Unite (the first icon in the Shape Modes section).



5. Reverse the Fill and Stroke color: If the default Fill color (in the Toolbar) is set to black and the default Stroke color is set to none (indicated by a red slash), click on the double arrow between the boxes to reverse the settings.

Tip: If the default Fill and Stroke colors are different, click once on the Fill box and click on the white icon with the red slash in the Color panel to set it to none.

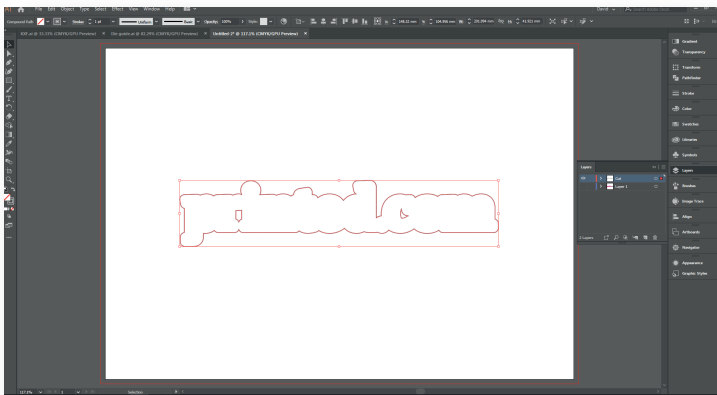
Then click once on the Stroke box and click on the black icon in the Color panel



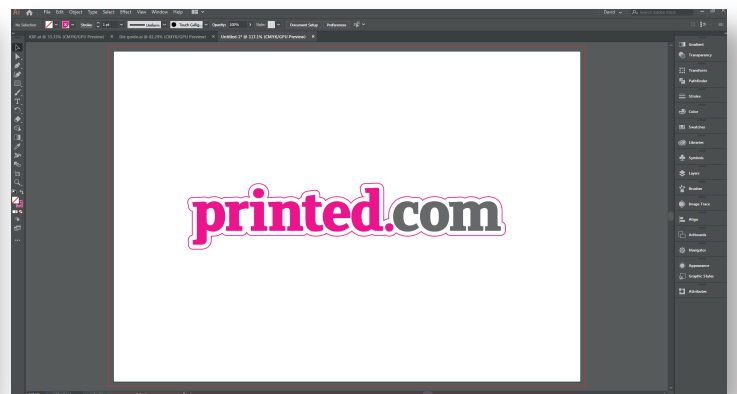
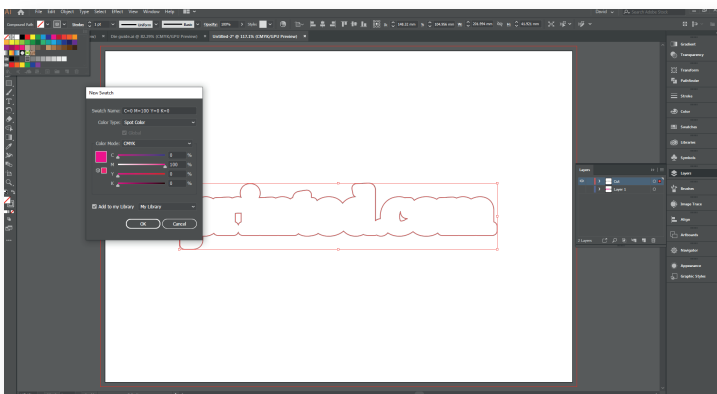
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6. Move the outline to a new layer:

In the Layers panel (Window > Layers), create a new layer, double-click on the layer name, and call it Cut Line. With the artwork still selected, choose Object > Arrange > Send to Current Layer.



7. Finally, select the die cut guide and change the stroke colour to 100% magenta and set to spot colour.



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