



7th ANNUAL INTERMEDIATE SKILLS COMPETITION

**January 30, 2010
Mount Pearl Intermediate**

**GRAPHIC DESIGN
Intermediate Level Scope**

Contest Duration: 4 hours

PURPOSE OF THE CHALLENGE

Assess the contestant's ability to perform duties relating to document graphic design and pre-press.

SKILLS AND KNOWLEDGE TO BE TESTED

The project focuses on practical work. Theoretical knowledge is limited to that required to perform practical work:

- reading and understanding technical specifications;
- implementing time management and work flow planning;
- understanding and utilizing basic design fundamentals;

The competition will be done on the Windows platform. Before the competition begins time will be given for the competitors to become familiar with the computers and other equipment. Technical assistance will be provided throughout the competition. All marks are based on graphic design skills and the ability of the competitor to use graphic design applications, which operate the same within PC environments.

On the day of competition a 15-minute briefing will be given, this will be the competitors' opportunity to ask questions and gain a full understanding of the project. No information on the current years' competition project will be made available prior to the commencement of competition. Competitors should expect that the competition environment might be noisy. The use of personal music devices is permitted.

EQUIPMENT, TOOLS, SUPPLIES, CLOTHING

The contestant may bring software, provided it is compatible with the Macintosh computer supplied. This software must be installed on the computers the day before competition begins. The contestant may bring certain basic tools including software manuals. The contestant may not bring additional fonts or any reference materials other than manuals for installed software.

Equipment provided by the organization:

Macintosh Computer
Keyboard, mouse and mouse pad
Printer paper
Worktable
Chair

Software to be provided for competition day:

Creative Suite CS4

For tutorials and free downloads:

Photoshop

www.adobe.com/products/photoshop/main.html

Adobe Illustrator

www.adobe.com/products/illustrator/main.html

***If there is another type of software that you wish to use, please contact Tom at (709) 739-4172 or tomd@skillscanada.com by November 13th to discuss further.**