

Ad Unit Guidelines

The IAB Ad Unit Guidelines are intended for marketers, agencies and media companies for use in the creating, planning, buying and selling of interactive marketing and advertising. The IAB's Ad Sizes Working Group meets on a bi-annual basis to review proposed new ad units and issue updated voluntary guidelines as appropriate. The process whereby these new units are reviewed and considered can be downloaded here.

Publishers

These voluntary guidelines provide a framework for advertising inventory and web page design. The goal is to reduce and simplify the amount of work for agencies that may be faced with having to create several assets of a similar size for different publishers, e.g. 300x95, 300x100, 300x105 pixels. The recommended file weights and animation lengths are specifically for animated in-page display ads, typically using an authoring program such as Adobe Flash or appearing as animated GIFs. For creative guidelines for Rich Media ad formats, such as "peelbacks" and "transitionals" (previously referred to as "over-the-page" units), please see the IAB Rich Media Guidelines.

You are encouraged to examine the standardized units and consider them for inclusion into your product offerings.

Agencies & Advertisers

As you expand and utilize greater creativity in your interactive messaging, these Guidelines suggest various units that are being introduced or offered by various publishers. Please consult your partners to understand their full creative specifications.

We also encourage agencies to use the IAB Creative Spec Database as a simple, easy-to-use centralized source of interactive advertising creative specifications.

NOTE: All dimensions are in pixels.

Rectangles and Pop-Ups

		Recommended Maximum Initial Download Fileweight	Recommended Animation Length (Seconds)
300 x 250 IMU - (Medium Rectangle)	View IMU	40k	:15
250 x 250 IMU - (Square Pop-Up)	View IMU	40k	:15
240 x 400 IMU - (Vertical Rectangle)	View IMU	40k	:15
336 x 280 IMU - (Large Rectangle)	View IMU	40k	:15
180 x 150 IMU - (Rectangle)	View IMU	40k	:15
NEW 300x100 IMU - (3:1 Rectangle)	View IMU	40k	:15
NEW 720x300 IMU - (Pop-Under)	View IMU	40k	:15



Banners and Buttons

468 x 60 IMU - (Full Banner)	View IMU	40k	:15
234 x 60 IMU - (Half Banner)	View IMU	30k	:15
88 x 31 IMU - (Micro Bar)	View IMU	10k	:15
120 x 90 IMU - (Button 1)	View IMU	20k	:15
120 x 60 IMU - (Button 2)	View IMU	20k	:15
120 x 240 IMU - (Vertical Banner)	View IMU	30k	:15
125 x 125 IMU - (Square Button)	View IMU	30k	:15
728 x 90 IMU - (Leaderboard)	View IMU	40k	:15

Skyscrapers

160 x 600 IMU - (Wide Skyscraper)	View IMU	40k	:15
120 x 600 IMU - (Skyscraper)	View IMU	40k	:15
300 x 600 IMU - (Half Page Ad)	View IMU	40k	:15

ADDITIONAL NOTES:

- Those sizes that are bold above are part of the Universal Ad Package
- :15 animation includes multiple loops

Other Information:

Please consult these additional creative guidelines for more information:

IAB Digital Video Creative Guidelines IAB Pop-Up Guidelines IAB Rich Media Guidelines IAB Universal Ad Package

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