Layout-8000 v15.2.1 Double Truck Enhancements

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Designating Double-Truck Pages

Layout does not need a product to have any pages designated as double-truck pages. Thus, while it is helpful to know which facing pairs are double-truck pairs, you do not need to designate those pairs as double-truck pairs. But if you want two pages that are not facing pages to be a double-truck pair, you should designate those two pages as double-truck.

To designated a page as double-truck, right-click on the page. The popup menu has an entry labeled "Double-truck on". If you choose that entry, the page becomes a double-truck. If the L|R toolbar button is pressed, the facing page also becomes a double-truck.

If you want to make a pair of pages that are not facing pages into a double-truck pair, turn off the L|R button. Right-click on your desired left double-truck page and choose "Double-truck on". Only that page becomes a double-truck. Then right-click on your desired right double-truck page and choose "Double-truck on". That page also becomes a double-truck.

Thus the opposite-side double-truck page for a given double-truck page is not necessarily the facing page.

If you right-click on a page that is already a double-truck, the popup menu has an entry labeled "Double-truck off". If you choose that entry, that page and its the other page that is part of the double-truck pair both become not double-truck.

For pages that are in more than one zone (common pages and zoned pages that are in two or more zones), the popup menu also has the entry "Double-truck on in all zones" or "Double-truck off in all zones". If you choose that, that page becomes double-truck or not double-truck in all zones.

Dragging a Half to a Page

When you drag a double-truck half to a page, the other half may also be placed on another page, according to the following rules:

If the dragged-to page is designated as a double-truck page and there is an opposite-side double-truck page somewhere in the section, the other half is placed on the opposite-side page, if there is room. Note that when looking for an opposite-side page for a left page, Layout looks for a right page that comes after the left page and is designated as a double-truck. When looking for an opposite-side page for a right page, Layout looks for a left page that comes before the right page and is designated as a double-truck.

If the dragged-to page is not a double-truck, or if an opposite-side double-truck page can't be found, the behavior depends on the L|R toolbar button. If the toolbar button is pressed in, the other half is placed on the page facing the dragged-to page, if there is one and there is room. If the toolbar button is not pressed in, only the half that is dragged is placed; the other half is not placed.

Note that when a double-truck half is dragged Layout never places the other half if it is locked on a page or is on a locked page.

Dragging a Half To a Wrong-Side Page

When you drag a double-truck half to a page that is the wrong side for the half (that is, if you drag a left halt to a right page or a right half to a left page), Layout automatically corrects this, according to the following rules:

If the dragged-to page is designated as a double-truck page and there is an opposite-side double-truck page somewhere in the section, the dragged half is placed on the opposite-side page, if there is room. If not, the dragged half is not placed.

If the dragged-to page is not a double-truck, the behavior depends on the L|R toolbar button. If the toolbar button is pressed in, the dragged half is placed on the page facing the dragged-to page, if there is one and there is room. If not, the dragged half is not placed. If the toolbar button is not pressed in, Layout asks if you want to place the half on the facing page instead. If you answer "Yes", the dragged half is placed on the facing page. If you answer "No", the dragged half is placed on the page you dragged it to.

Dragging a Half Off a Page to the Ad List

This depends on the L|R button. If the L|R button is pressed, when you drag a half from a page to the ad list, if the other half is placed, it is is also removed from its page and moved to the ad list. If the L|R button is not pressed, only the half that you drag is removed from its page and moved to the ad list.

Horizontal Alignment of Double-Truck Halves

If a double-truck half whose width is less than a full page is placed on a designated double-truck page, the half is automatically aligned to the inside edge of the page (the right edge for a left page, the left edge for a right page).

If the page is not a double-truck, the behavior depends on the L|R toolbar button. If the toolbar button is pressed in, the half is automatically aligned to the inside edge of the page. If the toolbar button is not pressed in, the half is placed at the horizontal position where you dropped it.

Note that if a dragged half is automatically aligned to the inside edge and you don't want it on the inside edge, you can move it to another column on the same page. That is, when you move a double-truck half to another position on the same page, the automatic alignment to the inside edge is not applied.

In summary, Layout provides three helpful automatic features for double-truck half placement: automatic placing of the other half, automatic correction for placing on the wrong side page, automatic alignment to the inside edge. These features are designed to avoid inappropriate placing of double-truck halves by enforcing some commonly desired rules for double-truck placement.

The automatic features, however, apply only when dragging to a designated double-truck page or the L|R button is pressed. If you want full control that allows dragging halves separately to non-facing pages, allows placement of a half on the wrong-side page, and allows the half not to be aligned on the inside edge, turn off the L|R button and drag to a page that is not designated as a double-truck.

Auto-dummying double-trucks.

If both halves are unplaced, auto-dummying places them together on a pair of designated double-truck pages. If there are no designated double-truck pages, auto-dummying does not place double-truck ads. When you auto-dummy, Layout warns you if your product has unplaced double-truck ads but no designated double-truck pages.

If only one half of a double-truck is placed (for example, by dragging just that half to a page), auto-dummying tries to place the other half appropriately. If the placed half is on a double-truck page, the other half is placed on the opposite double-truck page, if there is room. If the placed half is on a page that is not designated as double-truck, the other half is placed on the facing page, if there is room.