

CONVERTING A PHOTO TO HALFTONES

QUICK GUIDE:

Open your image in Photoshop.

Make sure the image is the size you want and 300 dpi. Change it if needed:

IMAGE > IMAGE SIZE

* If printing **CMYK** separations, skip to the end.

Make the image grayscale:

IMAGE > MODE > GRAYSCALE

Make the image a bitmap:

IMAGE > MODE > BITMAP

BITMAP pop up menu will open.

Set the Output to 720

Set the Method to HALFTONE

HALFTONE pop up will open.

FREQUENCY = screen mesh ÷ 5

195 mesh is 39 LPI

230 mesh is 46 LPI

If you don't know, use 45

ANGLE = 45 (unless CMYK)

SHAPE = round or ellipse

* If printing **CMYK** separations, do not convert to grayscale. Make sure the file is CMYK (not RGB), then go to the CHANNELS palette (**WINDOW > CHANNELS**) and click on the menu options button (in the top right of the palette) to **split the channels** into 4 separate files.

Follow the same steps for BITMAP and HALFTONE menus, except that each of the 4 files will have a different **ANGLE**:

C = 75

M = 15

Y = 0

K = 45

