WIRE-O BINDING...

Also known as double-wire binding because two wires go through a square punched hole. As with all mechanical binding styles, Wire-O binding allows books to lay flat when opened and fold 360 degrees for single-hand use.

One advantage to Wire-O binding is that is does not “step up” when opened, allowing images to seamlessly cross over. This makes it ideal for products such as cookbooks, instruction manuals, calendars, display and promotional materials.

For increased versatility incorporate a semi-concealed, fully-concealed or wrap around cover. Using mixed paper stocks, foldouts, pockets or index tabs will further enhance the functionality.

- In stock colors - Black, White, and Pewter
- Other colors available - Gold, Red, Blue, Green, Gray, Copper, and Silver
- Premium colors available
- Books from 1/8” to 1 1/8” thick
- Binding edge 2” to 20”

• Cover Designs
  ~ Two Piece
  ~ Wrap-Around
  ~ Pasted Back
  ~ Reversible
  ~ Sleeve Inserted
  ~ Cased In
  ~ Easel
  ~ One Piece
  ~ Calendar

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Glossary of Terms

Book Block: The gathered signatures or gathered flat sheets of a publication before the cover is added.

Caliper: The measurement of the thickness of paper measured in thousandths of an inch or mils.

Collate or Gather: To gather flat sheets or printed signatures together in their correct order.

Collating Marks: A distinctive, numbered symbol printed on the folded edge of signatures to denote the correct gathering sequence.

Crop Marks or Trim Marks: Small printed lines around the edges of a printed piece indicating where it is to be cut out of the sheet.


Signature: A folded book section. A book is printed on a wide sheet or web of paper which is cut and folded into a book section. Usually as 4, 8, 16, or 32 page signatures.

Abbreviation: Sig.


Pitch: This term denotes how many holes per inch. (It's essentially a punching pattern.) For example, a 4:1 punch pattern will have four holes per inch.

Wire-O Patterns

2:1 – Two holes punched per inch
  3/8” punch depth

3:1 – Three holes punched per inch
  1/4” punch depth

Plastic Spiral Patterns

4:1 – Four holes punched per inch
  1/4” punch depth

2.5:1 – Two and one-half holes punched per inch
  3/8” punch depth