

# **LOGO USAGE AND STRATEGY**

Our Branding Guide defines how the elements that make up the Stoughton brand should be used for all commercial purposes such as advertising, trade shows and public relations. It is a set of tools and rules on how to use our branding elements to create a unified identity across the Stoughton brand, its subsidiaries and its product families.

The Stoughton logo, shown below, should be used for all commercial marketing for the truck industry.



The Stoughton Trailer logo, shown below, is to be used for all recruiting, advertising and public relations purposes in the local communities of South Central Wisconsin. The Stoughton Trailers logo is to be used for local Company promotions in order to avoid any confusion with the City of Stoughton.



From websites and business cards to advertising, it's important to be consistent to be immediately recognizable. When the Stoughton brand is cohesive, it increases the Company's perceived value, allowing the Company to appear professional and with integrity.

The Branding Guide consists of logo design and application in addition to our color palette, typography, photography and promotional guidelines.

Logos can be found at www.stoughtontrailers.com/resources/branding-logos. For more information, email: marketing@stoughtontrailers.com.

It is important to apply the same rules to other Stoughton divisions when using their specific logos for advertising, collateral, promotions and public relations.





**PARTS SALES** 

Your Make. Your Model. Your Part.



Stoughton Financial is also known as S.T.A.C. (Stoughton Trailer Acceptance Corporation), the finance and leasing arm of STI Holdings.

# **STOUGHTON**®

The primary Stoughton logo is an established design that has represented the Company for many years and carries significant brand equity along with Company pride. The purpose of this guide is to provide general rules of use so that the enhancement of the Stoughton brand will be reinforced and magnified for years to come.

The logo should be clearly recognizable and visible, and shown in color whenever possible. The logo colors are **White** and **PMS 300C Blue**.

# WHITE SPACE AROUND LOGO

The logo must always be surrounded by free space that is devoid of any competing graphic element or text. This free space must be at least 50% of the height of Stoughton logo.



# **LOGO APPLICATIONS**

### COLOR AND BACKGROUND CONSIDERATIONS

The Stoughton **PMS 300C Blue** reproduces well on most light and dark backgrounds. Special attention is required when the logo is indistinguishable or clashes with a blue background. Please use the logo with the white border in these circumstances only.







If the logo is placed on a colored background and it's not distinguishable from the background, a white border needs to be added to clearly differentiate the logo from the background. The size ratio of the white border should be consistent with the size of the logo so that the white border does not become an element of the logo.

The two-color logo shown with a drop shadow may also be used when a clear differentiation between the background and the logo is not obvious and when it can be used as a design element to augment the logo. This logo layout is used in Stoughton brochures, sales sheets and advertisements.



# **LOGO APPLICATIONS**



When color is not available, this black and white version is to be used.



When color is not available and the background color is not distinguishable, use the outlined reversed logo with white boarder.



Do not tint or screen the logo with less than 100% black ink.

# **CO-BRANDING**

In some cases, there are agreements with dealers in addition to suppliers to label their products with both their logo and the Stoughton logo. Special attention should be paid here to ensure that the Stoughton logo is not affected or dominated by the supplier's logo. Co-branding initiatives should be approved in advance by Stoughton Marketing.

### TAGLINES FOR EXTERNAL COMMUNICATIONS

Consistent use of the tagline will be important for branding purposes. Use the created logo. Do not set type for "It's in the details."



Download this specific logo.

Do not recreate the tagline yourself.



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U.S.A. Owned & U.S.A. Made

# TAGLINES FOR INTERNAL COMMUNICATIONS

The taglines below may be used for internal communications with associates or for Company image campaigns. The font should be **Century Gothic Bold** in Stoughton **PMS 300C Blue or PMS 11 Cool Gray**. On a dark background, the color of the tagline should be reversed out or in white.





# PRODUCT FAMILY LOGOS

When using product family logos, please ensure that colors are specified properly.

# Pure Blue Market Market













When using them in conjunction with the Stoughton logo, such as with decals, the product family logo should appear above the Stoughton logo.



# **COLOR SPECIFICATIONS**

# CORPORATE LOGO COLORS

The logo, when represented in color must be reproduced according to the color value formulas shown below. Deviations from these color values are strictly forbidden.

FULL COLOR:

CMYK: 99 50 0 0

DIGITAL:

RGB: 0 94 184 Websafe: #005EB8

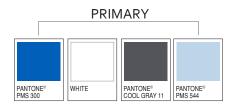
SPOT:

Specifiy PMS Number 300

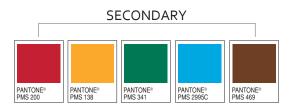


# **COLOR PALETTE**

The colors for the Stoughton color palette were selected based on their ability to coordinate, contrast and complement the existing Stoughton logo colors. The palette includes Primary, Secondary and Accent/Background color swatches that can be used in conjunction with Stoughton presentations, special promotions as well as brochures and sales sheets.







# **PHOTOGRAPHY**

Images are an important part of the Stoughton brand identity. The right images can take your marketing piece from ordinary to outstanding. It takes time, resources and typically a professional eye to setup or find high-quality photos to support the Stoughton brand.

The photos shown here are for illustrative and directional purposes only. To ensure photography exceeds the Stoughton brand expectations, please follow these guidelines:

# **USE REAL PEOPLE**

The people are the heart of Stoughton Trailers, where associates make durable, quality trailers exceeding customer expectations. The use of people in photographs not only complements the Stoughton brand, it instantly attracts the reader or viewer. By closely associating Stoughton with a person, we build the brand as friendly and welcoming.

### SINGLE SUBJECT FOCUS

When taking a photograph, select an individual subject on which your audience can focus. If the space you are shooting seems overly complicated or cluttered, focus in on a specific detail.

## **COMPOSITION AND LIGHTING**

Composition and lighting are essential for creating a professional photograph, depicting our trailer products and associates as well as customers in the "best light." It is important to portray the natural beauty of the environment. Professional lighting and backlighting is important for clean and crisp photos.





### **FONTS**

Fonts are powerful elements that complement the brand. We have identified fonts that are simple and easy to read yet are distinctive and create a consistent look and feel. They have been selected for their clarity and simplicity.

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Corbel Italtic abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz 1234567890

Corbel Bold abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz 1234567890

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Futura Oblique abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz 1234567890

Futura Bold abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz 1234567890

Futura Bold Oblique abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz 1234567890

Arial Regular abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz 1234567890

Arial Italic abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz 1234567890

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Arial Bold Italic abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz 1234567890 Century Gothic abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz 1234567890

Century Gothic Italic abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz 1234567890

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# INTERNAL & EXERNAL COMMUNICATIONS

The formats below should be used on business card, letterhead and presentation materials. Request the approved templates from marketing@stoughtontrailers.com. For Stoughton brand consistency, please do not deviate from logo placement and fonts.

# **BUSINESS CARD AND LETTERHEAD**





# **POWERPOINT PRESENTATIONS**







# **SPECIALITY AND PROMOTIONAL ITEMS**

# **PROMOTIONAL ITEMS**

Promotional items are important to building the Stoughton brand. Each time someone sees the logo in public, they are reminded of our trailer products, services and reputation. This extends our visibility, deepens our brand acceptance and increases our perceived value.

For Stoughton apparel, visit www.companycasuals.com/stoughtontrailers/start.jsp.



# REFLECTIVE PRODUCT LABELS

The use of the logo below is an exception to the general color rules because of the unique properties inherent in the reflective material used for the outside of trailer products.



# **LOGOS CAN BE FOUND AT:**

www.stoughtontrailers.com/resources/branding-logos For more information, email: marketing@stoughtontrailers.com

