

How to, Sequential Barcoding in Adobe InDesign

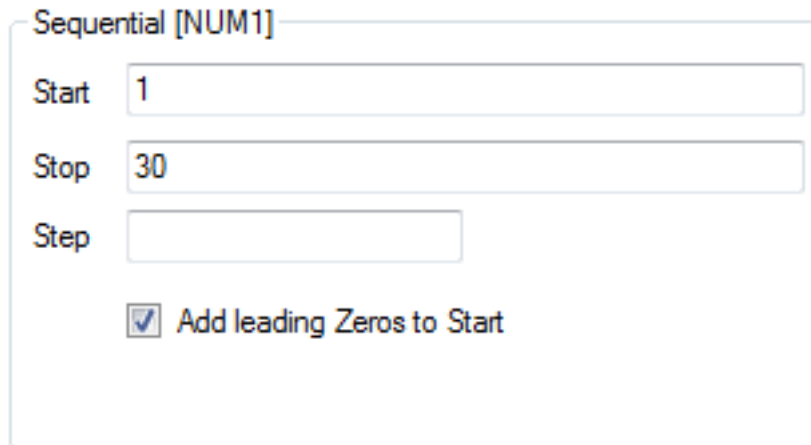
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Only works in Barcode Image Maker Pro v2.65 or better.

Make Sequence

Click on the Sequential TAB in Barcode Image Maker Pro ([Download here](#))



Sequential [NUM1]

Start

Stop

Step

☒ Add leading Zeros to Start

I will make a sequence of 1 to 30, fill in, Start: 1 and Stop: 30, click on 'Add leading Zeros to Start', that will add a zero to 1, so that it will be 01, 02, 03 ... 09. Please look at the image above.



Select Barcode

Code 39 ▼

Digits

Upper Case Char

Lower case char

Hyphen

Control Char

[NUM1] [NUM2] Sequence

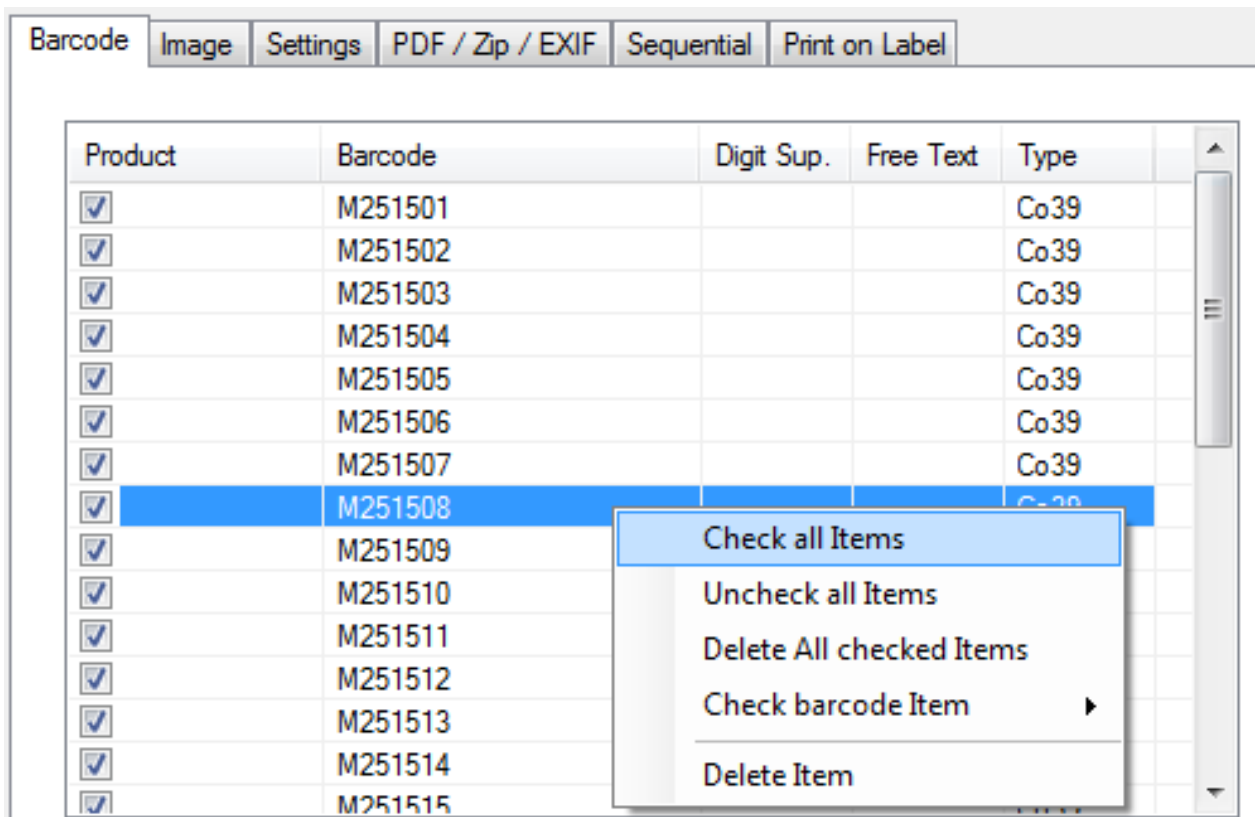
M2515[NUM1]

☒ Clear Barcode List before adding sequential

Make Sequential

For my barcode sequence I have filled in M2515[NUM1], so all barcodes will start with M2515 and then the [NUM1] sequence, that's M251501, M251502 ... M251530. Check the ' Clear Barcode List before adding sequential' Click on the 'Make Sequential' button. Please look at the image above.

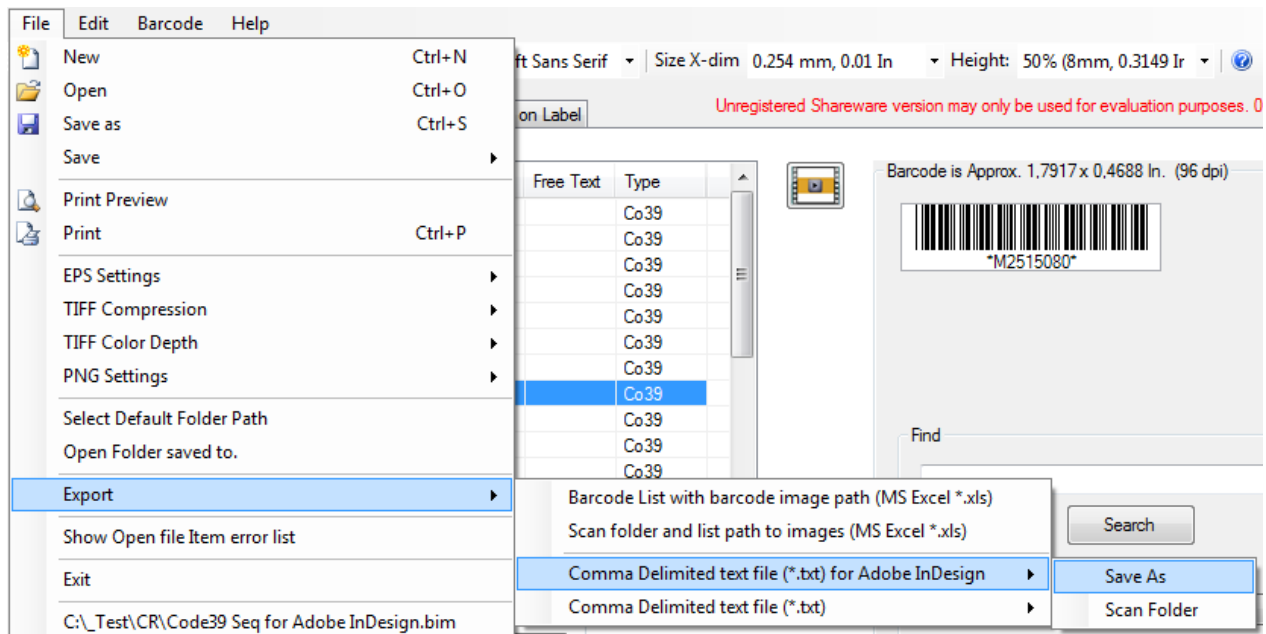
Save the sequenced barcode images / Comma Delimited text file (*.txt) for Adobe InDesign



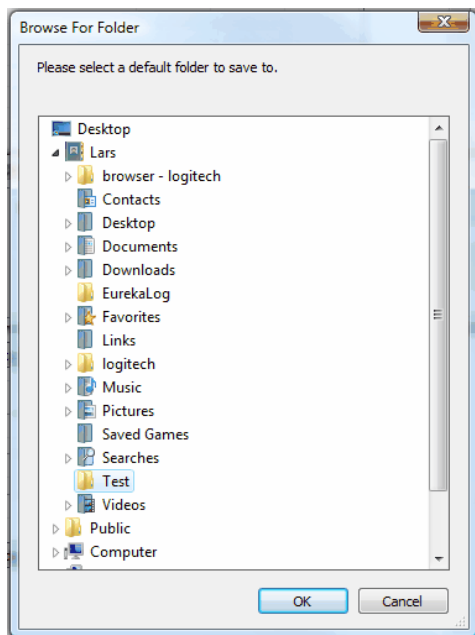
Above you can see the sequence made in the Sequential TAB as it's shown in the Barcode List in the Barcode TAB. In the Barcode List, right click and click on 'Check all Items', to select all items in the Barcode List. Please look at the above image.



In the Toolbar click on the Save as icon (it's the icon shown to your left) or click on the File menu and then click on Save as. Select the file format you would like to save the barcodes as.



When we have saved the barcode images, then it's time to save the Comma Delimited text file (*.txt) for Adobe InDesign, click on the Save As. Please look at the above image.

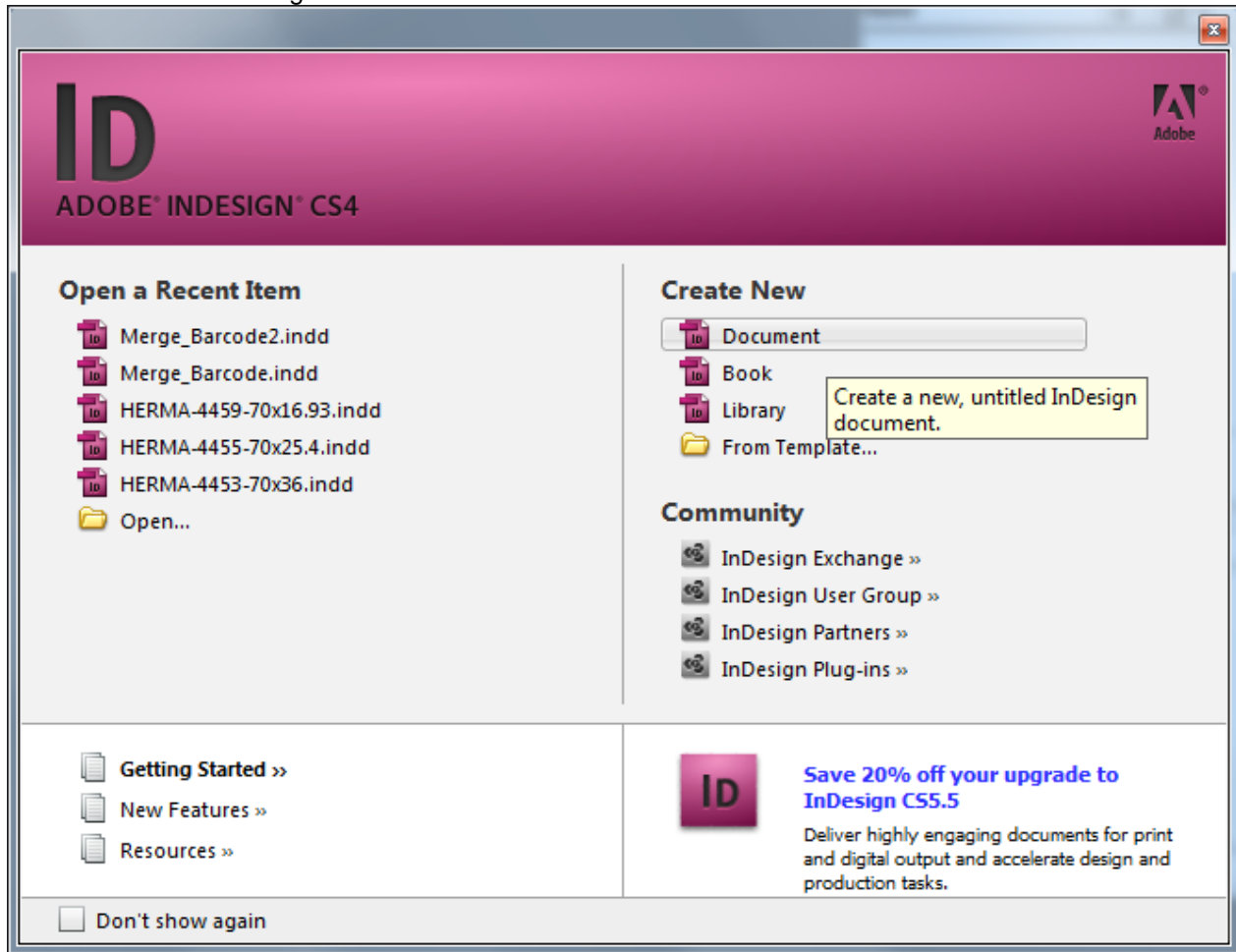


The Browser windows will show, if you have saved the barcode images to the folder shown in the browser, then just click on the OK button, if the barcode images have been saved to another folder then select the folder you have saved to barcode images to and click on OK button. Please look at the above image.

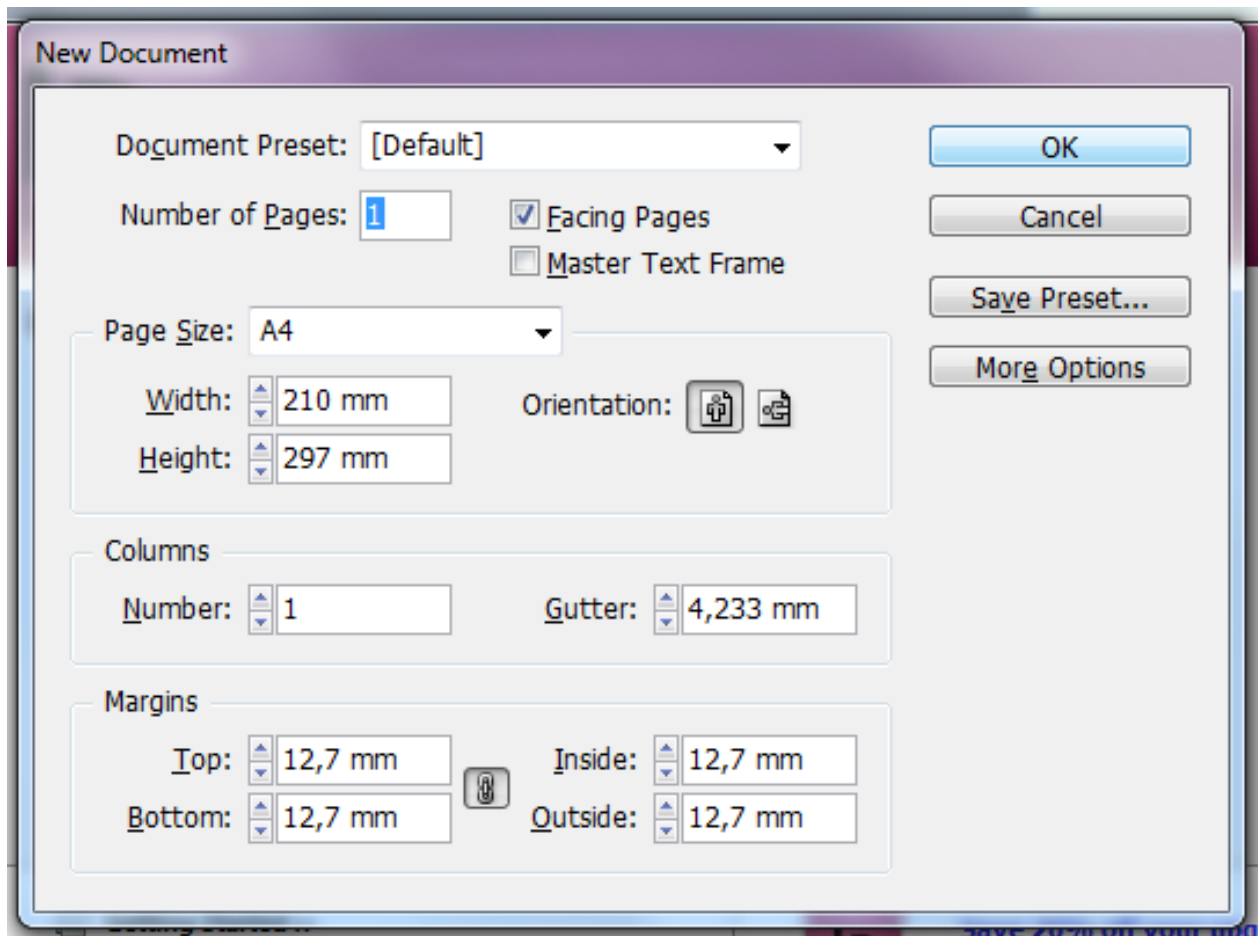
When the Save as window shows, save the Comma Delimited text file (*.txt) for Adobe InDesign, fill in the File Name, you will be able to save the Comma Delimited text file (*.txt) for Adobe InDesign in any folder you would like, I would recommend the same folder as the barcode images have been saved to.

Sequential barcodes in Adobe InDesign.

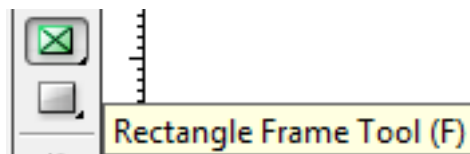
Start / Run Adobe Indesign



When the above dialog windows shows (Adobe InDesign CS4), select Document, or any format you would like to use for the sequential barcoding or if you have already made a design then just Open it. Please look at the above image.



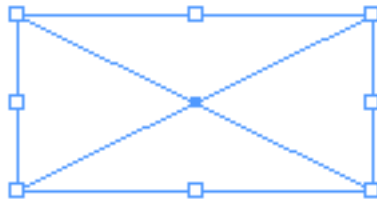
I have selected a A4 document, but any other size would work. Click on the OK button. Please look at the above button.



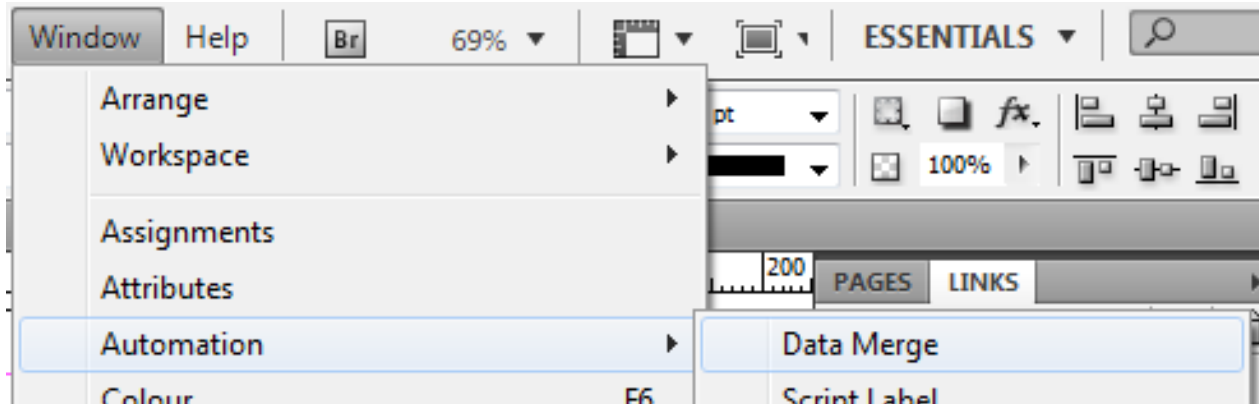
The barcode will be placed in a Rectangle Frame, so please select the 'Rectangle Frame Tool (F)' in Adobe InDesign. Please look at the above image.



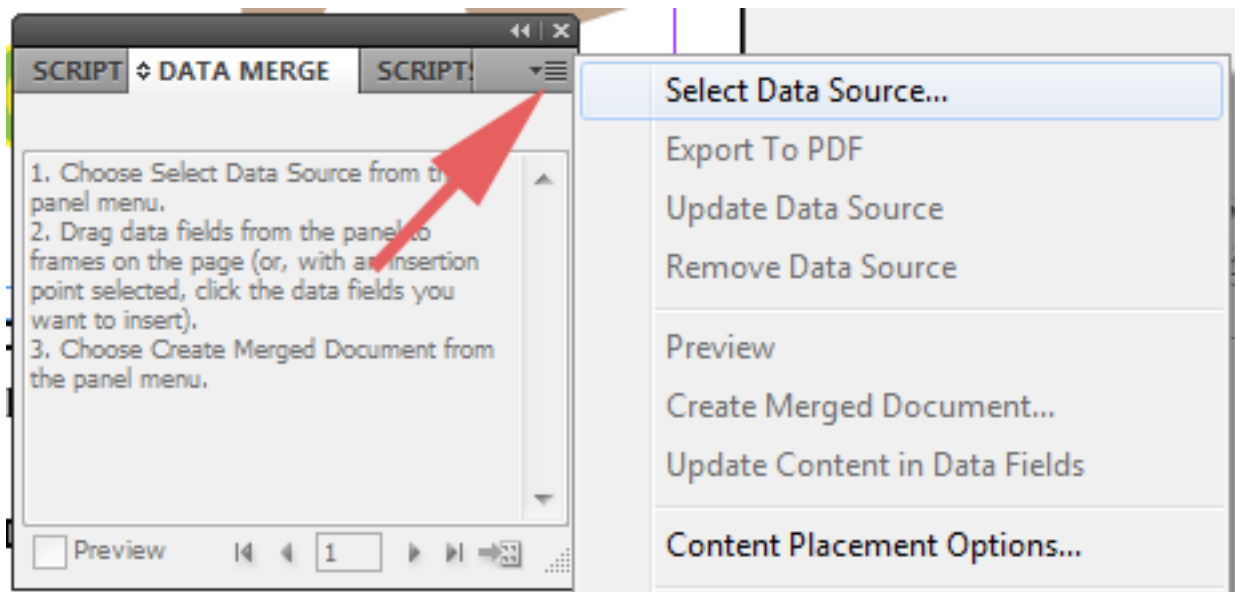
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I have opened my design in Adobe InDesign and I have placed the Rectangle Frame in the lower part of the design, the box that is selected. Please look at the above image.

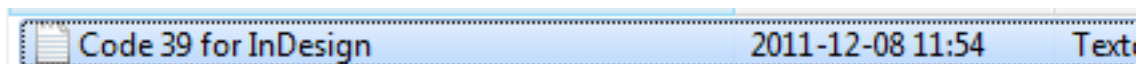


Now it's time to Open the Comma Delimited text file (*.txt) for Adobe InDesign, click on the Windows menu and then move to Automation and click on Data Merge.

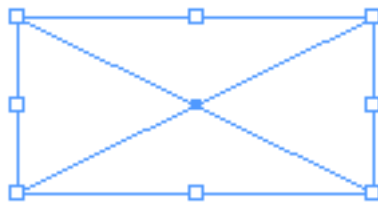
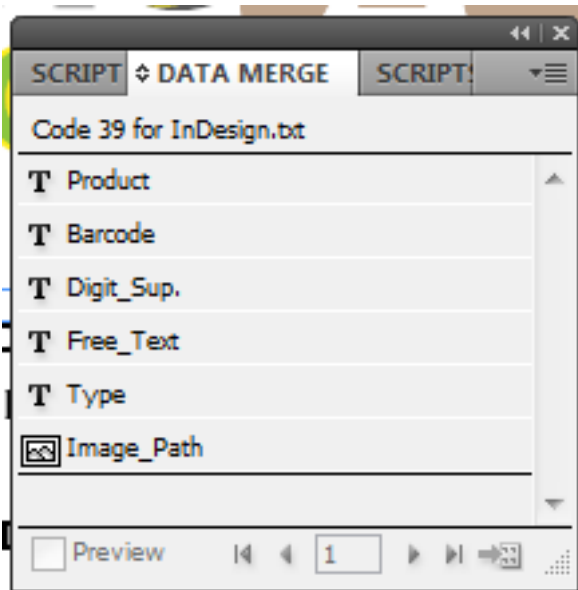


This is also known as the Data Merge palette.

In the Data Merge Palette menu, click on Select Data Source. Please look at the image above.

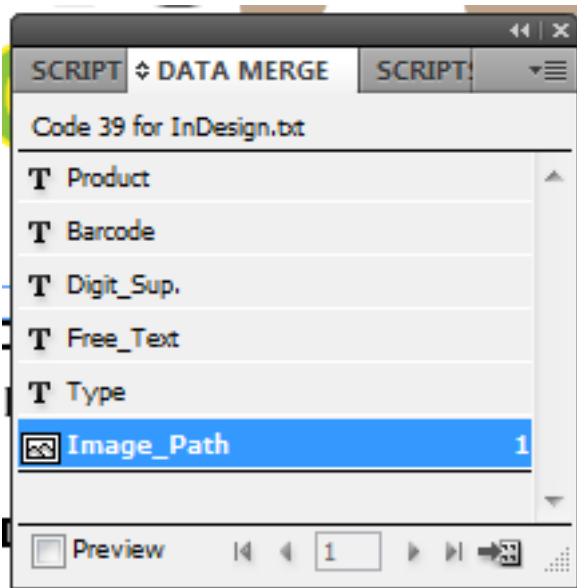


Select and Open the Comma Delimited text file (*.txt) for Adobe InDesign you have saved earlier. Please look at the image above.



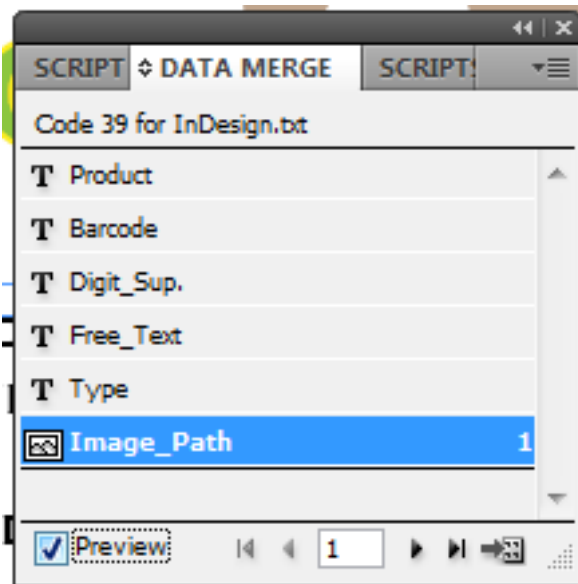
The Comma Delimited text file (*.txt) for Adobe InDesign have been opened.

As you can see in the image above the Columns in the Barcode List have been opened and can be selected, I will only be using the Image_Path and nothing else. Make sure the Rectangle Frame we made earlier have been selected, as shown in the above image.



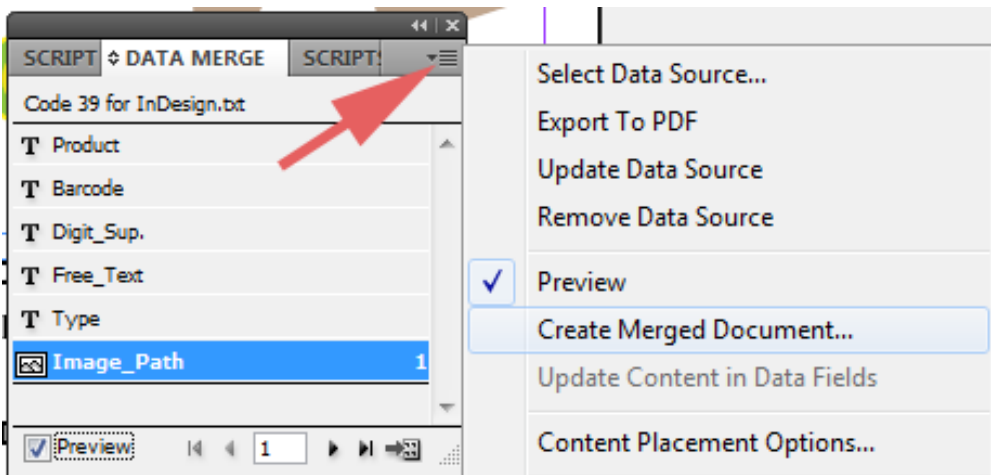
The Image_Path have been linked to the Rectangle Frame.

Click on Image_Path in the Data Merge Palette and the Rectangle Frame will be linked to the Image_Path, please look at the above image. (Make sure you have selected the Rectangle Frame, before you click on Image_Path)



Preview have been checked.

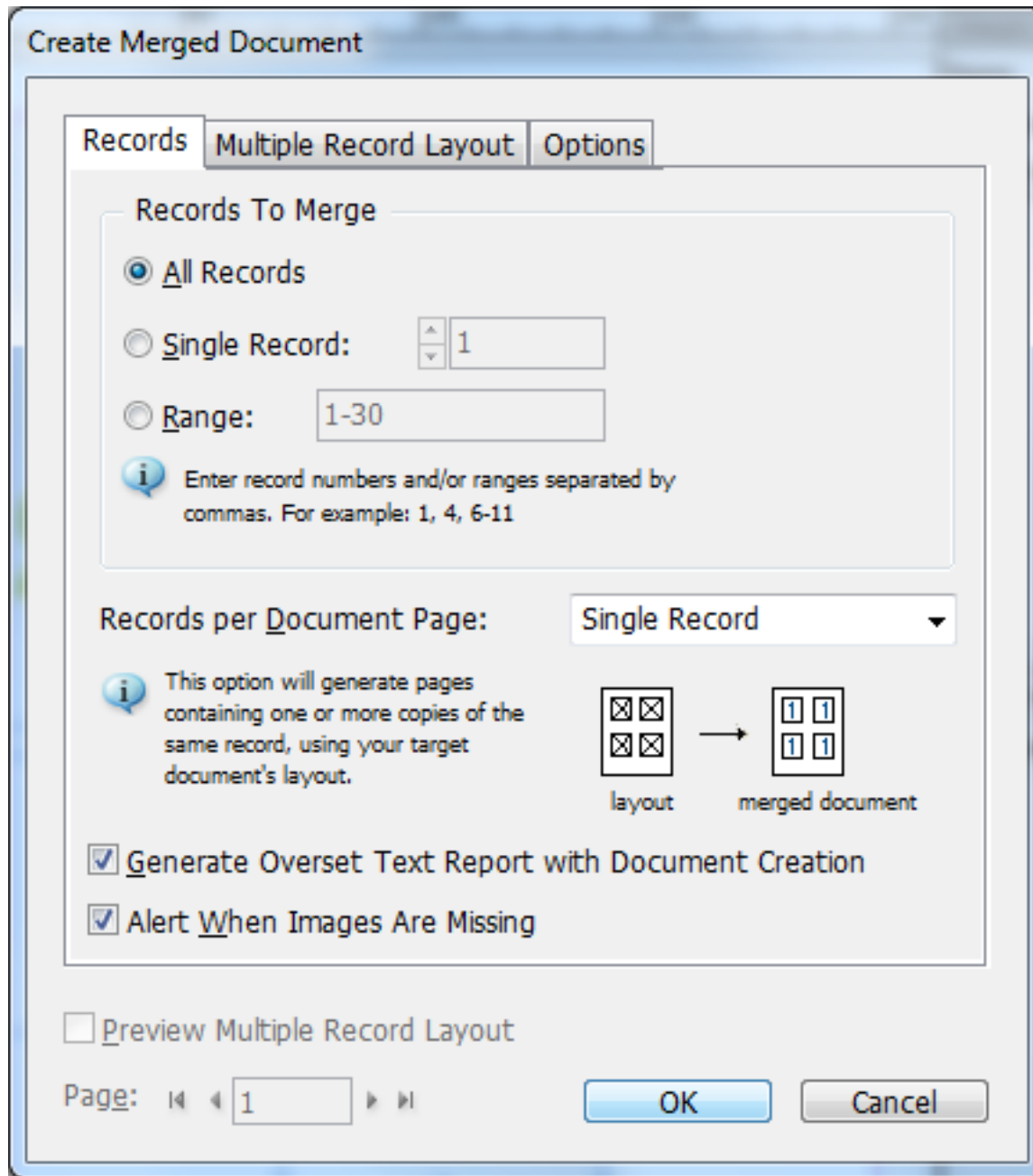
To be able to see the linked image in the Rectangle Frame you must click on the Preview so the it's checked, please look at the above image.



Merge all Barcode Images to a document.

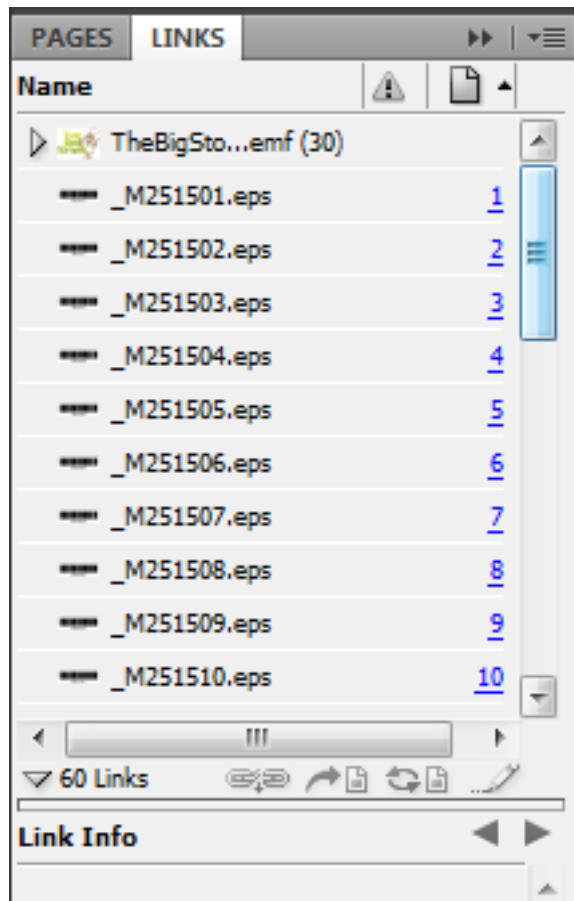
In the Data Merge Palette menu, click on Create Merged Document... Please look at the image above.

Create the sequential barcode document in Adobe InDesign.



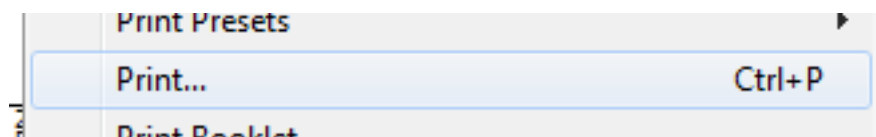
The Create Merged Document dialog window.

In the Create Merged Document you have many options, I will be using the default settings. When you have made your settings, click on the OK button, please look at the above image.



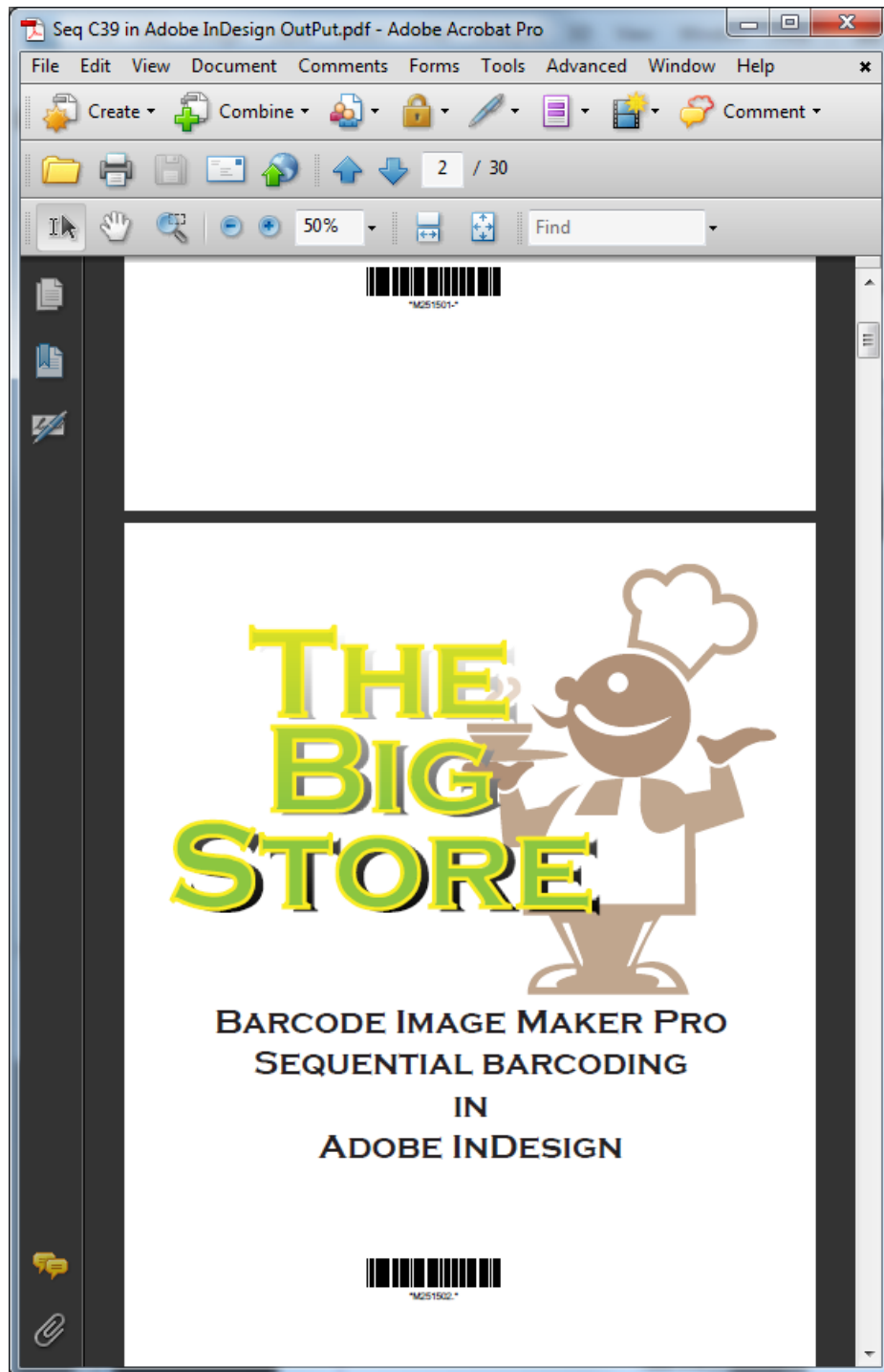
LINKS palette to the right of your design.

All images/pages have been made by Create Merged Document. Please look at the above image.



File menu Print

In the File menu in Adobe InDesign, click on Print to print all the merged documents. Please look at the above image.



The sequential barcode on the document, in total 30 pages.

Above you can see the design including the barcode image saved, above is M251501 and below M251502 and so on to M251530. Please look at the above image.



I have magnified the barcode so that you will be able to view it. The last digit in the barcode (Code 39) is the Checksum / check digit and can be hidden or removed, if needed.

I have magnified the barcodes in the above PDF so that you will be able to see them. The last character in the barcode, is the checksum / Check digit and it can be hidden or removed if you would like to. On how to hide/remove the barcode checksum/check digit, have a look in the help file or the Online help manual at <http://www.barcodemaking.com> Topic GS1/Code.../ITF... Settings and then look for Show Checksum and Calculate Checksum .

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