

BRAND IDENTITY MANUAL



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THE NAACP BRAND STORY

Founded February 12, 1909, the NAACP is the nation's oldest, largest and most widely recognized civil rights organization. Its more than half-million members and supporters throughout the United States and the world are the premier advocates for civil rights in their communities, leading grassroots campaigns for equal opportunity and conducting voter mobilization.

The real story of the NAACP lies in the hearts and minds of all those who refused to stand idly while race prejudice tarnished our nation. From bold investigations of mob brutality, protests of mass murders, segregation and discrimination, to testimony before congressional committees on the vicious tactics used to bar African Americans from the ballot box, it was the talent and tenacity of NAACP members that saved lives and made change.

Today, the true movement of the NAACP lies in the faces of the multiracial, multigenerational army of ordinary men and women who stay vigilant in awakening the consciousness of a people and a nation. With a powerful base of members in 2,200 branches in the Association, together, the NAACP will remain vigilant in its mission until the promise of America is made real for all Americans.

BRAND PURPOSE

What is branding? And why is it so important for our organization?

Branding goes way beyond just a logo or graphic elements. A strong brand and brand image is consistent, clear and promotes recognition.

When you think about our brand, you really want to think about our entire customer experience...everything from our logo, our website, our social media experiences, the way you answer the phone, to the way our constituents experience our staff. It's everyone's job to protect our brand through our visuals, our actions, and interactions.

It is important to remember that our brand represents you and our promise... you are the brand, our staff is the brand, our marketing materials are the brand.

Creating an identity that resonates with our audience reinforces trust and the emotional relationship that is at the heart of a truly successful brand.

CREATING THE RIGHT BRAND VOICE



Brand voice is an expression of the people behind the brand and embodies and expresses the brand's personality and set of values. It's about the people that make up the brand and differentiates you from the rest.

Creating a specific tone of voice plays a crucial part is building trust. It can be used to influence and persuade. As Maya Angelou once said,

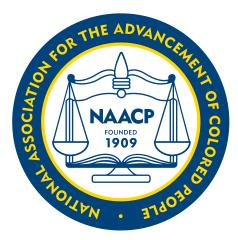
"People don't always remember what you say or even what you do, but they always remember how you made them feel."

The brand voice of the NAACP is inspiring, bold and authentic. That said, the brand voice is not fixed, it's fluid – keeping pace with the evolving audience, working across new communication channels, and communicating in fresh new ways to resonate and stay relevant.

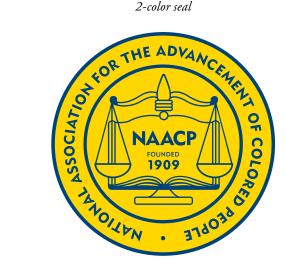
NAACP SEAL: OUR MARK

The refreshed seal with updated type and colors embraces our venerable heritage while projecting our formidable strength for the future. The size of the seal should be reproduced large enough be readable.

> Preferred 2-color seal



Alternate 2-color seal





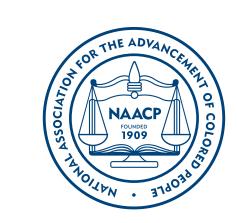
The preferred 2 color seal has a white rule built in around it so that it will stand out if placed on a color background.

See page 23 to download logos

NAACP SEAL: OUR MARK

Our seal can be used in these one color variations to add visual interest to designs.

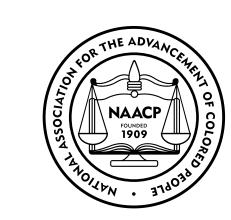
The size of the seal should be reproduced large enough to be readable.



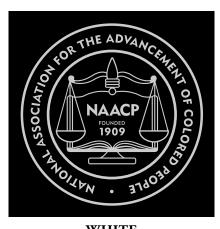
PMS 294 BLUE



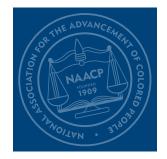
PMS 116 YELLOW



BLACK



WHITE **NEVER USE AS 100% OPAQUE** WHITE: Use at 10%-80% opacity



It is permissible to tilt the seal 12° facing "up", screened back to a percentage, and cropped as it is on the cover of this manual and on the business cards.

See page 23 to download logos

NAACP SIGNATURE

Our signature, the acronym NAACP, has bold letter forms that make a point and leave a bold impression, just like our organization.



You can use the signature without the seal in 100% logo blue, percentages of blue and black. The signature should never appear as 100% white or contained in a white box. The size of the signature should be reproduced large enough to be readable.





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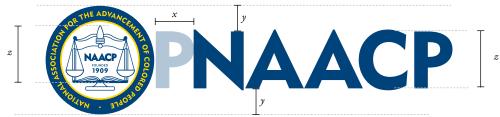
NAACP LOGO LOCK-UP: SEAL & SIGNATURE

In some instances, the signature needs to be preceded by the seal in a locked-up configuration to demonstrate official recognition of our organization. This is especially important in co-branding. (see page 10)



See page 24 to download logo lock-ups

Logos with approved lock-ups and colors have been provided for download on page 24. The 2-color seal should be used with the blue signature. If a one color version is needed, the seal and the signature should always be the same color. Below is a visual explanation of the relationship of the seal size and position to the signature size. The size of the lock-up should be reproduced large enough for the seal to be readable.



SEE PAGE 22 TO DOWNLOAD APPROVED LOCK-UPS

The distance between the seal and signature (x) is equal to the width of the "P" in the NAACP signature. The signature is centered horizontally to the seal (y). The cap height of the signature (z) is equal to the distance between the top of the scale in the seal to the bottom edge of the book in the seal.

NAACP STATE CONFERENCE LOGO LOCK-UP

State conference names are placed below the signature to create a branded conference logo lock-up, using our two brand fonts (page 16). Use the guide below to create a conference logo lock-up that maintains a consistent look for all of our conferences. The state conference lock-up should never be contained in a white box or print at 100% white.

Use the NAACP logo lock-up to create this version.







3 inches



Flush left

HOW TO

For either version, with or without the seal, start with the signature or the signature part of the logo lock-up at 3 inches wide. Place the region name underneath flush left to the NAACP signature. The distance between the baseline of NAACP and the cap line of the region name should be equal to the width of the stem of the "N" in NAACP.

Set the region name in Adobe Garamond Pro Bold Italic, 28 pt, +25 tracking. Set conference name below, flush left, Helvetica Medium, 19/25, +50 tracking, all type matching the color of the NAACP signature. Maintain the size relationship between the NAACP signature and conference name when enlarging or reducing the lock-up.

NAACP STATE CONFERENCE LOGO LOCK-UP: LONGER NAMES

State conference names that are longer should be split as shown below. Use your judgement as to how the name should spit on 2 lines to read most effectively. Two lines are more desirable but if the name extends beyond the width of the "NAA" in signature, split into 3 lines.



NAACP BRANCH / REGION LOGO LOCK-UP

Branch / region names are placed below the signature to create a branded branch / region logo lock-up, using our two brand fonts (page 16). Use the guide below to create a branch / region logo lock-up that maintains a consistent look for all of our branches and regions. The branch/region lock-up should never be contained in a white box or print at 100% white.

Use the NAACP logo lock-up to create this version.









HOW TO

For either version, with or without the seal, start with the signature or the signature part of the logo lock-up at 3 inches wide. Place the branch/region name underneath flush left to the NAACP signature. The distance between the baseline of NAACP and the cap line of the region name should be equal to the width of the stem of the "N" in NAACP.

Set the region name in Adobe Garamond Pro Bold italic, 28 pt, +25 tracking, and match the color of the NAACP signature. Maintain the size relationship between the NAACP signature and branch/region name when enlarging or reducing the lock-up.

NAACP BRANCH / REGION LOGO LOCK-UP: LONGER NAMES

Branch / region names that are longer should be split as shown below. Use your judgement as to how the name should spit on 2 lines to read most effectively. Two lines are more desirable but if the name extends beyond the width of the "NAA" in signature, split into 3 lines.



NAACP PROGRAM LOGO LOCK-UP

NAACP program names are placed below the signature to create a branded program logo lock-up, using our two brand fonts (page 16). Use the guide below to create a program logo lock-up that maintains a consistent look for all of our programs. The NAACP program lock-up should never be contained in a white box or print at 100% white.

Use the NAACP logo lock-up to create this version.







HOW TO

Start with the NAACP signature 3 inches wide. Place the region name underneath flush left to the NAACP signature. The distance between the baseline of NAACP and the cap line of the region name should be equal to the width of the stem of the "N" in NAACP.

Set the region name in Adobe Garamond Pro Bold Italic. 28 pt, +25 tracking. Set conference name below, flush left, Helvetica Medium, 19/25 pt, +50 tracking, let the name come right in one line, and all type color matches the color of the NAACP signature. Maintain the size relationship between the NAACP signature and program name when enlarging or reducing the lock-up.

NAACP LOGO CO-BRANDING

Solid partnerships multiply the impact of our brand. In co-branded communication, place a rule line between logos, while ensuring that both logos are of equal visual weight. The arrangement of the logos may be dictated by details of the partnership, but, when possible, place the NAACP logo to the left.



HOW TO

Use the NAACP logo lock-up to create a co-branded logo. Space between the logos should be equal to two "N" cap widths (the width of the "N" in the signature NAACP). The rule line separating the logos should not exceed the width/weight of the lines in the scales icon, should be black, and should extend the height of the inner edge of the seal's blue circle containing our name and line up with same.



OTHER NAACP TRADEMARKS

The NAACP Image Awards and ACT-SO, and their respective logos, are official trademarks of the NAACP. Logos may not be used except with written permission from the NAACP.





CLEAR SPACE RULE

Clear space around a logo allows the viewer to see the logo without visual clutter. Use this guide for clear space around the signature, seal, logo lockup, and regional/branch, conference and program logo lock-ups.

Use the width of the stem of the "N" in the NAACP signature as the minimum measurement for the area of clear space around the logo, keeping other elements from encroaching.

area of clear space









INCORRECT LOGO USAGE

The NAACP seal, signature and logo lock-ups have been carefully designed and should never be altered in any way. These examples illustrate how NOT to use the logo, but do not include all instances of misuse. These rules apply to all lock-up logos as well.

Use the logos provided for downloading (page 23-24) without alteration.





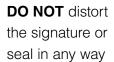














DO NOT change the branded colors in the seal or the signature.



DO NOT cut up the seal or signature and redesign its structure.



DO NOT use the seal or signature as part of a headline.



DO NOT place the seal or signature on a busy background that prevents readability and recognition



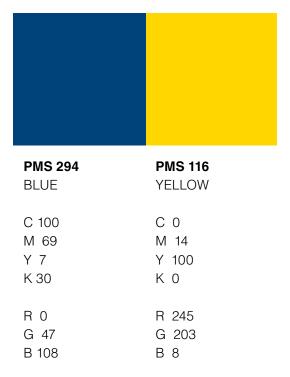
DO NOT place the seal or signature in a white box or reproduce either at 100% knocked-out white.

NAACP LOGO COLORS

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Blue and yellow are our primary brand colors and have been standardized in this manual. Our signature and seal are designed in these colors. Use our blue and yellow as the major colors in your communication pieces to maintain and protect the NAACP brand identity. Use our complementary colors (page 17) to add interest but never overpowering our brand blue and yellow.

LOGO COLORS



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NAACP COMPLEMENTARY COLORS

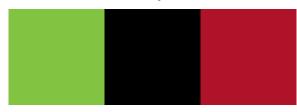
Color expresses our brand attributes and values. Our secondary color palette is both emotional and practical, while promoting energy, confidence, and passion.

Use these colors to accent and support our primary colors of blue and yellow in your designs. Complementary colors should always be used sparingly, as a large concentration of an accent color can dilute our branding. These colors should never replace the colors in the logo.

SECONDARY PALETTE - first choice for accent colors

PMS I44	PMS 7408	PMS 535	PMS 3005	PMS 298	PMS 2587
Tangerine	CARAMEL	GREY	AZURE	SKY BLUE	Purple
C 0	C 0	C 43	C 100	C 67	C 58
M 51	M 29	M 25	M 31	M 2	M 76
Y 100	Y 100	Y 3	Y 0	Y 0	Y 0
K 0	K 0	K 8	K 0	K 0	K 0
R 237	R 243	R 144	R 0	R 81	R 132
G 139	G 186	G 162	G 129	G 186	G 95
B 0	B 22	B 191	B 200	B 232	B 161
# ED8B00	# F3BA16	# 90A2BF	# 0081C8	# 51BAE8	# 845FA1

TERTIARY PALETTE - for smaller accents



PMS 376	BLACK	PMS 187
GRASS	RICH	Garnet
C 54	C 60	C 7
M 0	M 40	M 100
Y 100	Y 40	Y 82
K 0	K 100	K 26
R 152	R 0	R 172
G 193	G 0	G 43
B 29	B 0	B 55
# 98C11D	# 00000	

NAACP FONTS

Fonts express our brand voice and personality. It is important to keep that voice consistent. To make this easier, our brand fonts are commonly available on all computers.

primary font

HELVETICA FAMILY

Regular, Italic, Bold, Bold Italic

Helvetica is the selected sans serif typeface. It is one of the typefaces for the secondary signature systems. It is recommended that the regular weight be used for body text with no extra character space / tracking. Although the use of Helvetica is strongly recommended, exceptions may be made where availability is limited or where technical concerns make its use less (possible). In these instances, Arial may be used.

HELVETICA

ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ abcdefghijklmnopgrstuvwxyz 1234567890

ITALIC

ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ abcdefghijklmnopgrstuvwxyz 1234567890

BOLD

ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ abcdefghijklmnopgrstuvwxyz 1234567890 **BOLD ITALIC ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ** abcdefghijklmnopgrstuvwxyz 1234567890

secondary font

GARAMOND PREMIER PRO FAMILY

Roman, Italic, Bold, Bold Italic

Adobe Garamond Premier Pro is the selected serif typeface. It is one of the typefaces for the secondary signature systems. It is recommended that only regular weight be used for body text with no extra character space / tracking. Although the use of Garamond Premier Pro is strongly recommended, exceptions may be made where availability is limited or where technical concerns make its use less possible. In these instances, Garamond in any form is an acceptable alternative. If the Garamond typeface is unavailable, Times New Roman is an acceptable alternative.

ROMAN

ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ abcdefghijklmnopgrstuvwxyz 1234567890

ITALIC

ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ abcdefghijklmnopgrstuvwxyz 1234567890

BOLD

ABCDEFGHIIKLMNOPORSTUVWXYZ abcdefghijklmnopgrstuvwxyz 1234567890

BOLD ITALIC

ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ abcdefghijklmnopgrstuvwxyz 1234567890

PHOTOGRAPHY STYLE

Images have the power to elevate a movement and motivate change by showing positive and emotional moments. Powerful imagery demonstrates unity, commitment, and can motivate people to be a part of our organization.

Like our brand voice, our visual depictions of people should be inspiring, bold and authentic. Photographs should feel in-the-moment, more editorial, and full of action, or thoughtful human connection. Our organization touches the lives of the very young to the oldest – so our photography should represent the diversity in ages of the people of color who support us and who we serve.

It is preferable to use full color images vs. one color images, like black and white, sepia-toned or colorized photography. We want our imagery to look forward and feel as contemporary and vibrant as the work we are doing today.

PHOTOGRAPHY STYLE EXAMPLES







Wear your association with the NAACP proudly

Here are some general guidelines for reproducing our brand on clothing and promotional items:

 Only use NAACP approved logo files (download links on pages 23-24) and follow all guidelines in this manual for use of the NAACP seal, signature and lock-up logo configurations.



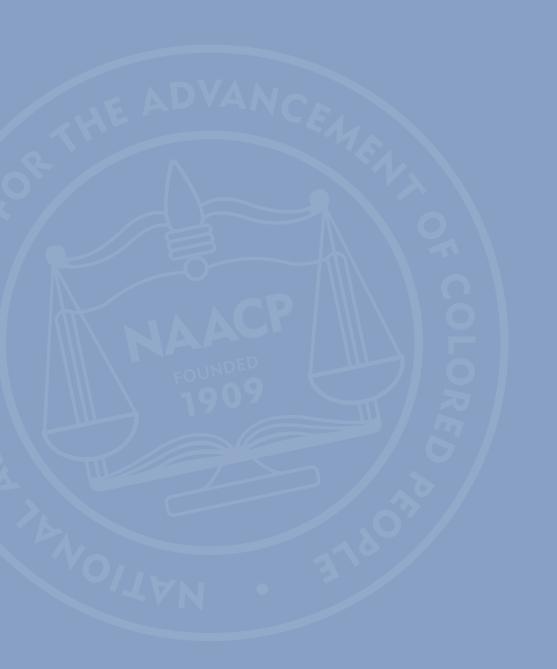
- Do not print the seal, signature, or logo lock-up in 100% white or contained in a white box.
- When applying the seal to apparel, the size of the seal should be no wider than 5.5", based on a size medium garment.
- Carefully consider the manufacturing process when using the seal, since it does
 not reproduce well when scaled down to less than 2.5" in diameter on clothing.
 The "NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED
 PEOPLE" on the seal itself must be legible.
- Be cautious of the space between the NAACP logo and the logo of a clothing manufacturing company. They must not be paired or placed closely together.
- Copyrighted cartoon characters, animals or any other graphic decoration may not be paired with an NAACP signature or seal as it will dilute the brand.
- You must use an approved vendor to use our logo to make branded merchandise.





CLICK
to access vendor
application and
related
information







LOGO DOWNLOADS
TEMPLATE DOWNLOADS
STATIONERY

LOGO DOWNLOADS

Click on the logo you need and the link will take you to a zip file containing a complement of file versions of that logo - raster .jpg and .png formats, and vector pdf and .ai formats. The seal should never be contained in a white box or print at 100% white.

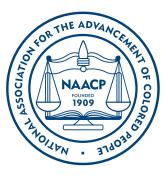
MARK/SEAL



2 color - PREFERRED



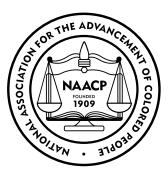
2 color - ALTERNATE



1 color - BLUE

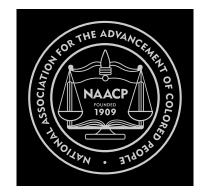


1 color - YELLOW



1 color - BLACK

SIGNATURE

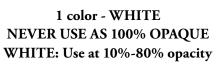


1 color - WHITE **NEVER USE AS 100% OPAQUE** WHITE: Use at 10%-80% opacity

NAACP NAACP NAACP

1 color - BLUE

1 color - BLACK



LOGO DOWNLOADS

Click on the logo you need and the link will take you to a zip file containing a complement of file versions of that logo - raster .jpg and .png formats, and vector pdf and .ai formats. The logo lock-up should never be contained in a white box or print at 100% white.

NAACP LOCK-UP LOGOS: SEAL & SIGNATURE



2 color - PREFERRED



1 color - BLUE



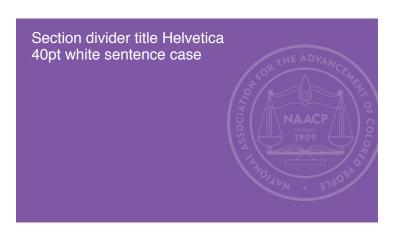
1 color - BLACK

COMMUNICATION TEMPLATE DOWNLOADS

Microsoft® PowerPoint template

Click on any image below and the link will take you to a site to download our NAACP branded PowerPoint template.







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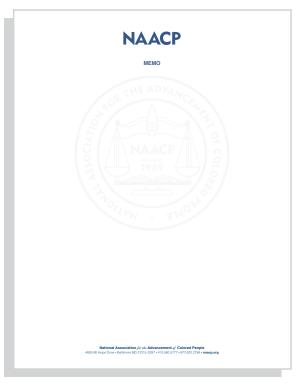
National Letterhead, Memo, Press Release Word templates

Click on the image of the template you need and the link will take you to a site to download a NAACP branded Microsoft® Word template.

NATIONAL LETTERHEAD & ENVELOPE

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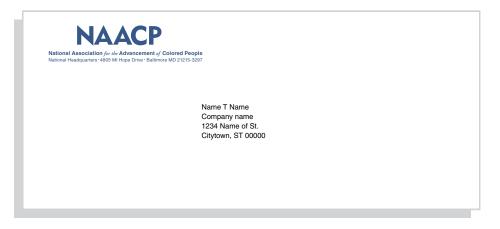
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COMMUNICATION PRINTED PIECES

Envelopes, Business Cards

NATIONAL ENVELOPE



BUSINESS CARD



