

Standard Book Sizes

This is a list of the standard book sizes that are manufactured in the UK. It is possible to deviate from these standard sizes, but it is generally more economical to use one of these, if at all possible.

If you are using a popular word processing application to lay out your pages, it is **very important** for diagrams, and for photographs embedded within the body of the text, but also for the text itself, that a **margin** should be allowed around the outside of the page, to allow for **trimming**: this should be at least 12.5mm on all sides; this is known as the '**safe area**'. If photographs or diagrams are required to extend the full width of the page (and/or height, in the case of cover artwork), an extra margin (**bleed**) of 3.5mm should be added to the page size, to allow for trimming.

Trimmed Book Size	Width x height - mm
Demy / Digest	138 x 216
Royal	156 x 210
American Royal	152 x 229
A Format	111 x 178
B Format (UK)	129 x 198
B Format (US)	127 x 203
A4	210 x 297
A5	148 x 210
A6	105 x 148