

Map Printing Films from Hamilton Newell – Approximately 1980-2002

On November 30th, 2010, at Tiger Press in Northampton, MA I inventoried 3 feet of boxes of color separation films that were used at Hamilton Newell Printer to print Orienteering maps between 1980 and about 2002. The boxes were moved to Tiger Press when Jamie O'Connell closed his business purchased from Norman Newell. Jamie now works for Tiger Press. Jamie would like to give the film to the relevant club, for the cost of shipping, else dispose of it. Jamie requests instructions from each club.

Though the maps on the films are old, they may be of current – not just archival – value. OCAD provides at least two ways to use scans of these films.

1. The OCAD feature Assign to Spot Color can be used to update old hand drawn or scribed maps. The printing plates or films for each spot color are scanned (black and white or gray-scale) and then imported as background maps. When such a background map is assigned to a spot color, it is displayed in that color. In addition, when the spot color view is activated the background map is displayed together with the corresponding spot color. This function is only available in OCAD Professional.
2. OCAD has a function to hide existing features and then draw vector corrections on top. The following OCAD “HowTo” describes the process <http://ocad.com/howtos/75.htm> shows how to update topographic maps, but the same process can be applied to orienteering maps.

I inventoried about 90% of the boxes of film, and made a list (attached). On the outside of each box is written the (presumed) club name and a list of the films in the box. I DID NOT OPEN EACH BOX TO CONFIRM THE CONTENTS. There may be additional films that were not listed. In addition to contacting Jamie, please let me know your decision so that I can assist Jamie in the process. I can give you contact information for a company that can scan these films for you. Feel free to call me (Ed Hicks) till 11PM NY time.

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