

# Digital Advertising

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## **Creative Policy Overview**



NCM's Creative Policy applies to advertisements on all NCM's Platforms. NCM reserves the right in its sole discretion to (i) reject any advertisement, (ii) determine what is acceptable to be displayed within the Noovie preshow, Lobby Entertainment Network (LEN), on-site Lobby Promotions within the NCM Affiliated theater network, and all digital properties and platforms. NCM can refuse to run advertising that is generally competitive to NCM's business.

### Restrictions for NCM's digital platforms include:

- Broken or blank creative
- Not to spec
- Misleading or sensationalized messaging, content or images
- Illegal materials or content

- Inappropriate content and prohibited categories (e.g., language, violence, adult, nudity, racy, etc.)
   See below for additional restrictions
- Malware, privacy, and security violations
- Non-user initiated audio

Violations to these restrictions will results in immediate removal from the Network.

#### The following subject matter is PROHIBITED:

- Adult-oriented subject matter, including without limitation, nudity, sensuality, sexual aids, toys, clubs, entertainment, 900 numbers, or events
- Promotion of tobacco or tobacco use, including smoke shops, cigar bars, e-cigarettes, vape shops, and hookah lounges
- Graphic, disturbing, or unattractive medical images
- Obscene or confrontational language
- Promotion of drug use or any illegal activity
- Personal messaging including marriage proposals, anniversaries, birthdays, etc.
- Psychic advertising
- Birth control products, pro-life or pro-choice organizations, campaigns or causes, any mention of abortion counseling or services

- Use of images, photos, logos, video, music, or voice-over talent for which the advertiser has not secured all applicable licenses or authorization for in-theater use
- Use of MPAA banner or any imitation thereof, unless advertiser has received and can provide an appropriate copyright license
- Anything that reflects negatively on circuits, movies, or movie-going (i.e., ticket/concession pricing, movie quality, etc.) or anything that may adversely affect attendance
- Display of inactive web addresses
- The promotion of firearms, weapons, ammunition, shooting ranges, gun clubs, etc.
- Shock advertising or fear campaigns

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### **Verification and Tagging Policy**

Ads may be tagged solely for the purpose of collecting data geared toward measuring performance of a campaign (e.g., ROI, attribution, impact, and verification), in each case, as approved by NCM. No browser-based cookies, Flash cookies, web beacons, pixels, tags, or any other technology designed to track end-users' activity for any purpose (including, without limitation, to target or retarget ads) on any NCM branded, owned, licensed, affiliated or controlled website, application, or other online product without prior NCM written consent.

NCM must be notified of all data being collected in connection with a campaign by an advertiser, agency and/ or third-party vendors acting on their behalf for the purpose of verifying that such data collection activity is acceptable to NCM. All data collected in connection with a campaign (including, without limitation, personally identifiable information) must be approved by NCM in writing prior to the campaign start date.

Any campaign intended to capture information for the purpose of serving ads to, or otherwise targeting or actively engaging with, NCM users outside of NCM platforms or offerings, is prohibited (e.g., no database, network, or exchange may be built and/or exploited as "NCM Movie Audience or Users").

Data collected may not be sold or otherwise transferred to any third party for such third party's commercial use.

Data collected must be made available for review by NCM at NCM's request.

Advertisers, agencies, and third-party vendors acting on their behalf must comply with the Behavioral Advertising Self-Regulatory Principles, which may be found at the following URL: <a href="https://www.iab.com/wp-content/uploads/2015/05/ven-principles-07-01-09.pdf">https://www.iab.com/wp-content/uploads/2015/05/ven-principles-07-01-09.pdf</a>.

NCM reserves the right to disapprove use of any advertiser's or agency's third-party vendor.

#### Malware

Malware delivered via advertising creatives degrades the advertising ecosystem, undermines Rocket Fuel's relationship with supply partners, harms consumers, and negatively affects Rocket Fuel's brand. Additionally, malware-infected machines may be used to generate money for fraudsters. Rocket Fuel does not allow ad creatives that are infected with malware or can be used as a distribution vector for malware. Ads that misrepresent themselves or ads that click through to landing pages that are infected with malware are not allowed.

Ads and accounts that violate this policy will be suspended.

#### NCM adheres to IAB creative guidelines

**HTML5 Guidelines:** 

https://www.iab.com/wp-content/uploads/2016/04/HTML5forDigitalAdvertising2.0.pdf

**VAST Guidelines:** 

https://www.iab.com/wp-content/uploads/2015/11/VAST-2\_0-FINAL.pdf

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# **Display Ads**







Rectangle / Leaderboard

Rectangle / Skyscraper / Leaderboard

Unit Dimensions (WxH in pixels)	Rectangle: 300x250, 300x600 Skyscraper: 160x600 Leaderboard: 728x90, 970x90
Accepted File Formats	GIF, JPG, PNG, HTML5 (HTML5 assets must be hosted by a third party)
Maximum Frame Rate	24 fps
Maximum Initial File Load Size	200 KB
Maximum Subsequent Polite File Load Size	1 MB
Maximum Subsequent User-Initiated File Load Size	1.5 MB
Maximum Animation Length	15 seconds
Maximum Percentage of CPU Usage	20%
Misc. Requirements	Ad unit content must be clearly distinguishable from normal webpage content (i.e., must have clearly defined borders and not be confused with normal page content)
Submission Lead Time	3 business days prior to campaign start (minimum)

# Display Expandable Ads





Rectangle / Skyscraper / Leaderboard

Rectangle: 300x250 - Expandable to 600x250 Unit Dimensions (WxH in pixels) Skyscraper: 160x600 - Expandable to 320x600 + Maximum Expanded Dimensions Leaderboard: 728x90 – Expandable to 728x270 GIF, JPG, PNG, SWF, HTML5 (HTML5 assets must be hosted Accepted File Formats by a third party) 3 Maximum Looping Maximum Frame Rate 24 fps Maximum Initial File Load Size 200 KB Maximum Subsequent Polite File Load Size 1 MB Maximum Subsequent User-Initiated File Load Size 2.2 MB Maximum Animation Length 15 seconds Control = "Close X" on expanded panel and Minimum Required Controls "Expand" on collapsed panel Font = 8 pt (11 px) to 16 pt (21 px)Best Practices: For times when the user's browser does not support creative functionality (i.e., Flash, HTML5), provide a standard image file. Expansion: We can take any direction of expansion, but Implementation Notes multiple directions can't be in one tag (must be separate tags for each direction). This is important to note as agencies are leaning toward one tag. Submission Lead Time 5 business days prior to campaign start (minimum)

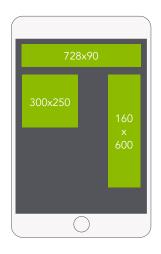
## Mobile Ads (Standard)















Smartphone

Tablet

Unit Dimensions (WxH in pixels)

Smartphone: 300x250, 320x50, 320x480

Tablet: 300x250, 160x600, 728x90, 768x1024, 1024x768

Maximum Expanded Dimensions

Expansion not allowed

Accepted File Formats

GIF, JPG, PNG, third-party JS tags (no Flash), HTML5 (HTML5 assets must be hosted by a third party)

Maximum Looping

3

Maximum Initial File Load Size

40 KB

Maximum Subsequent Polite File Load Size

Not allowed

Maximum Animation Length

15 seconds

Maximum Percentage of CPU Usage

20%

Misc. Requirements

Ad unit content must be clearly distinguishable from normal webpage content (i.e., must have clearly defined borders and not be confused with normal page content)

Implementation Notes

Ensure images are mobile web-optimized Do not use Flash assets

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Landing pages must be mobile-optimized

Include dimensions in file name

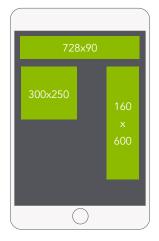
Submission Lead Time

3 business days prior to campaign start (minimum)

## Mobile Ads (Rich Media/Expandable)











Smartphone

Tablet

Unit Dimensions (WxH in pixels)
+ Maximum Expanded Dimensions

Smartphone: 300x250 – Expandable to 320x480

320x50 – Expandable to 320x480 320x480 – Not expandable 480x320 – Not expandable

Tablet: 300x250 – Expandable to 500x400

160x600 – Expandable to 400x600 728x90 – Expandable to 728x400 768x1024 – Not expandable 1024x768 – Not expandable

Accepted File Formats

Third-party JS tags (no Flash)

Maximum Looping

3

Maximum Initial File Load Size

40 KB

Maximum Subsequent Polite File Load Size

Not allowed

Maximum Animation Length

15 seconds

Maximum Percentage of CPU Usage

20%

Misc. Requirements

Ad unit content must be clearly distinguishable from normal webpage content (i.e., must have clearly defined borders and not be confused with normal page content)

Ensure images are mobile web-optimized Do not use Flash assets

Implementation Notes

Landing pages must be mobile-optimized

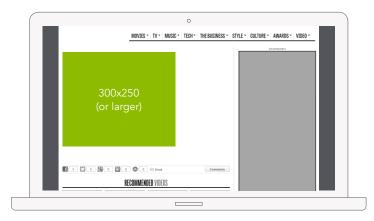
Include dimensions in file name

Submission Lead Time

3 business days prior to campaign start (minimum)

## Video Ads







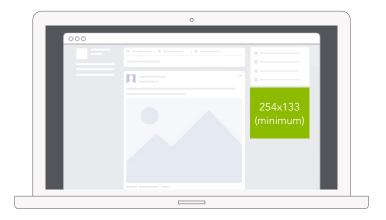
Desktop

Smartphone

Unit Dimensions (WxH in pixels)	300x250 (or larger)
Accepted File Formats (Hosted by RF)	RAW files: MOV, MP4, FLV, WebM, AVI, WMV
VAST	2.0 (must be mobile-encoded with MP4)
VPAID	Desktop: VPAID Flash, VPAID JS Mobile: VPAID JS
Maximum File Size	50 MB
Aspect Ratio	16:9 Widescreen, 4:3 Standard
Maximum Frame Rate	30 fps
Bit Rate (KBPS)	300–400
Maximum Video Length	30 seconds
Audio Initiation	Must be user-initiated (on click); default state is muted
Minimum Required Controls	Play, Pause, Mute
Companion Banner	300x250
Codecs	Upload files encoded with an H.264 codec at the highest quality setting recommended. The following codecs are also supported: MJPEG, MPEG4, H.263, DVvideo, SVQ3, SVQ1, QTRLE, RAWvideo, RPZA.
Container Format	FLV, MPEG-4 Part 14, or OGG
Submission Lead Time	3 business days prior to campaign start (minimum)

## Facebook Ads (RHS)





Unit Dimensions (WxH in pixels) 254x133 (minimum)

Title Character Count <25

Body Character Count <90

- Cannot start with punctuation
- Cannot have duplicate consecutive punctuation characters with the exception of 3 ellipses
- Words cannot be >20 characters
- Only 2 consecutive one-character words are allowed
- Cannot consist entirely of capital letters
- Double spacing is not allowed
- The following characters are not allowed: IPA symbols, superscript and subscript characters with the exception of <sup>™</sup> and <sup>™</sup>, and \~\_={}||<>

Third-Party Impression Trackers

Title & Body Restrictions

Clients who want to use view tags must be a Facebook Managed Advertiser. If they are not, run without view tags using RF/FB numbers.

AdCentric/AdGear, Adition, Adform, Adometry, AdParlor, Adsfac-Facilitate, Aggregate Knowledge, Atlas, BB Elements, Compass Labs, Doubleclick, Efficient Frontier, EyeReturn, Flashtalking, Graph Effect, Kenshoo, MediaMind, Mediaplex (add&mpcs=bypass), MIG, Nanigans, Pointroll, Smart Adserver, Spruce, Xaxis

The subdomains need to be approved before the campaign start with FB: Convertro, Trueffect, Weborama

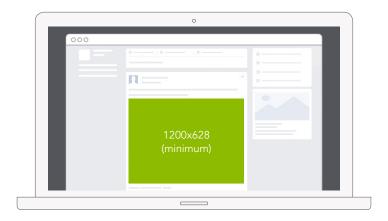
Submission Lead Time 3 business days prior to campaign start (minimum)

Major Approved View Tags

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## Facebook Ads (Newsfeed)





Unit Dimensions (WxH in pixels) 1200x628 (minimum) Message Character Count <110 Headline Character Count <25 Description Character Count Cannot start with punctuation Cannot have duplicate consecutive punctuation characters with the exception of 3 ellipses Words cannot be >20 characters Only 2 consecutive one-character words are allowed Title & Body Restrictions Cannot consist entirely of capital letters Double spacing is not allowed The following characters are not allowed: IPA symbols, superscript and subscript characters with the exception of ™ and SM, and  $\ \ \ \ \ |\ \ |<>$ Clients who want to use view tags must be a Facebook Managed Third-Party Impression Trackers Advertiser. If they are not, run without view tags using RF/FB numbers. AdCentric/AdGear, Adition, Adform, Adometry, AdParlor, Adsfac-Facilitate, Aggregate Knowledge, Atlas, BB Elements, Compass Labs, Doubleclick, Efficient Frontier, EyeReturn, Flashtalking, Graph Effect, Kenshoo, MediaMind, Mediaplex (add&mpcs=bypass), Major Approved View Tags MIG, Nanigans, Pointroll, Smart Adserver, Spruce, Xaxis The subdomains need to be approved before the campaign start with FB: Convertro, Trueffect, Weborama Submission Lead Time 3 business days prior to campaign start (minimum)