# BRAND GUIDELINES



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# INSIDE THE BRAND

This guidebook outlines the written, visual and graphic elements that comprise the Busch Systems brand. Following these guidelines will ensure aesthetic standards are upheld - keeping the brand looking professional and consistent.

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# MOODBOARD

The inspiration for Busch Systems is clean and modern with a playful energy. Pops of color and graphic elements amongst the refreshing whitespace keep the brand feeling lively, friendly and approachable.

All of the elements that tie the brand together are designed to communicate Busch Systems' vision, mission and core values.



To support everyone who cares about waste diversion with leading edge products and services that maximize the quantity and quality of their recycling program.

# **VOICE & TONE**

The voice of Busch Systems is consistently friendly, casual, aims to inspire familiarity and is occasionally quirky! We aim to be informative and direct about our products and environmental goals without being stuffy or 'corporate' and use industry recognized terminology without being overbearing. We focus on optimistic, helpful and confident language across all mediums and avoid excessive formality, preferring more relaxed phrasing. Often, we like to use a bit of humor to display our personality but not in a way that impedes the intention or delivery of the message.

# **EMPOWERING**

ECO-RESPONSIBLE EDUCATIONAL KNOWLEDGEABLE IMPACTFUL

# CREATIVE

PROGRESSIVE FORWARD-THINKING TECH-SAVY

# **ADDROACHABLE**

ALTRUISTIC AUTHENTIC FRIENDLY RELIABLE TRUSTWORTHY SUPPORTIVE

# LIVELY ENERGETIC ENGAGING UPLIFTING PLAYFUL PEPPY

TASTEFUL

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# ARROGANT

AGGRESSIVE FLASHY GREEDY BORING STIFF

# **CHEESY**

TACKY OLD SCHOOL CLUNKY DULL SLOPPY

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ABOUT US Who are we? We're an innovative, passionate, knowledgeable group of individuals who treat our clients and each other with respect and enthusiasm. We're a company who thinks about the environment every day and designs, recommends and customizes waste and recycling solutions for collection programs across all industries. We're dedicated to our philanthropic efforts and activities on and off the company clock. Every day we try our best to say 'thank you' to our colleagues and customers, while sharing a laugh too, that's just who WE are! 💵

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CREATIVITY IS THINKING UP NEW THINGS, INNOVATION IS DOING NEW THINGS. We believe that the fun of innovating should not be left just to the tech giants of the world. Innovation is the by-product of creativity and regardless of industry, is essential for evolution. Thirty years ago, we began with one (good lookin'!) blue bin and an innovative spirit. That attitude has served us well as we have evolved alongside the recycling industry to design collection solutions that are ahead of the stream. Our Research & Design team is comprised of big personalities with bigger ambitions to create the best products for our clients. They eat innovation for breakfast and we're sure glad they do! 💵

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LIFE AT BUSCH SYSTEMS It's pretty awful to work here. Awesome people, beautiful office space and having our head office in Barrie, Ontario only 10 minutes from Kempenfelt Bay is pretty tough. Along with the fact we make amazing recycling bins that help organizations all over the world be sustainable... yup... pretty awful. Wait...what?! Of course it's not awful! Working at Busch Systems is pretty GREAT and we have the team to prove it! Thirty years of employee satisfaction and enaggement are testament to our company culture and we're just getting better.Think you might have what it takes to join our team? 💵

# PORTRAIT



# LANDSCAPE



# PRIMARY LOGO

Re-designed in 2015, the Busch Systems logo is rooted in company heritage, taking inspiration from the original mark.

This is the main logo to be used across all primary brand applications.

The mark helps the audience to easily identify the Busch Systems presence. It is essential to the success of the brand that the logo always be applied with care, respect, and in accordance with these guidelines for every application. A - Landscape Variation



# B - Landscape Variation



# SYMBOL



# SECONDARY LOGOS

Busch Systems secondary marks can be used instead of the primary logo (but should never be used directly next to the primary logo). Always choose the best logo orientation to fit the available space.

The monogram can be used in cases where the brand name is already displayed in plain text. For example, the monogram could be used as a profile picture on social media since the username will be adjacent to it in plain text.



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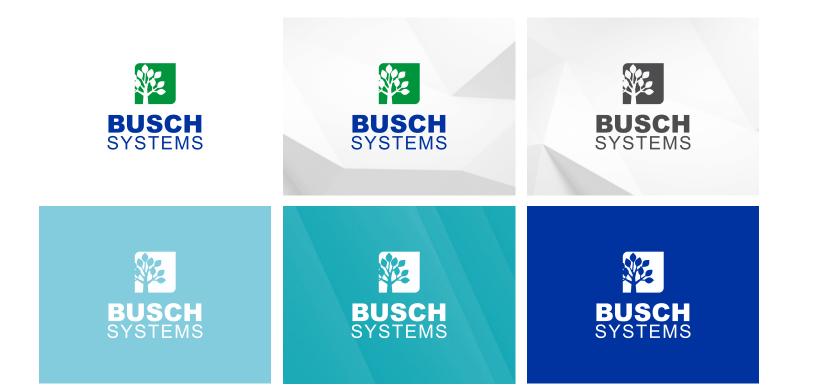


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# IMPROPER LOGO USAGE

Rules are necessary for maintaining the integrity of the Busch Systems brand. The following examples outline unacceptable ways of using the logo.

- A. Don't Rotate the Logo.
- B. Don't Stretch, Alter, Distort or Resize All of or Part of the Logo.
- C. Don't Rearrange Parts of the Logo or Create Compositions That are Not Already Provided.
- D. Don't Add Filters, Effects or Strokes to the Logo.





# LOGO COLOR USAGE & CLEAR SPACE

There are 3 color forms for the Busch Systems logo: Full color, White, or Dark Gray. The logo should pop against the contrasting background. Full color is the preferred choice when used on a white or light background. White is the preferred choice when used on a color or dark background. Dark gray is an alternative to the color logo on a light background.

To ensure legibility, always keep a minimum clear space around the logo. This space isolates the mark from any competing graphic elements that might conflict with, overcrowd, and lessen the impact of the mark. Use the 'H' from the logo to determine the minimum breathing room required.





# LOGO & TYPE ON PHOTOGRAPHY

When the logo or typography are used on any photo, pattern or color background it is important to make sure that there is ample clear space for it to reside.

Be mindful when selecting an image - ensure the photo is not busy or overcrowded. Color contrast is important as well. Make sure the logo is against a background that does not distract or blend in with the logo. Apply the same principles from the "Logo Color Usage & Clear Space" section of this guidebook (Page 8). If necessary, scale or manipulate the image to provide the proper clear space and required level of contrast.



# COLOR USAGE

The subtle vibrancy of the color palette evokes the playful vibe that is essential to the Busch Systems brand. The primary colors are variations of blue, green and turquoise. These tones serve a psychological purpose by provoking a particular feeling to the audience. Blue tones are linked to creativity and inspire safety and calmness, while green and turquoise tones are lively and symbolize renewal, growth and harmony.

Shades of gray serve as a background palette. Avoid the use of black.

**TYPOGRAPHY** 

Consistent use of this set of typefaces across all print and web applications reinforces brand identity.



#### **PRIMARY PALETTE**

**TYPEFACES FOR WEB** 



#### PRIMARY TYPEFACE **FUTURA BT**

Use Light or Book for Body Copy and Any Weight for Headlines.

#### SECONDARY TYPEFACE FRANCOIS ONE

Alternate Option for Short Headlines. Usually in All Caps.

#### THE BOLD FONT

Alternate Option for Short Headlines. Always in All Caps.

# **DROID SANS**

Use Regular for Body Copy and Bold for Headlines on all web applications.

# ARIAL

Substitute font for when Droid Sans is unavailable. Regular for Body Copy and Bold for Headlines.

# PHOTOGRAPHY STYLE

### **GENRE:**

• Product Lifestyle / Contextual

#### **COMPOSITION:**

- Minimalistic, Product-Focused
- Good Use of Negative Space
- Complementary to Brand Color Palette
- Left, Right and Center Frame Positioning
- Mixture of Angles and Close-ups of Product Features

# **ENVIRONMENT:**

• Intended Environment per Product

# **MODELS:**

• Contextually Appropriate per Location and Target Audience

# **FOCAL LENGTH & LIGHTING:**

- Medium to Large Aperature
- Shallow Depth of Field for Close-ups
- Broad Lighting
- Natural Light Preferred

# SATURATION:

- Medium to High Contrast and Saturation
- Lower Saturation on Stainless Steel and Neutral Colored Products

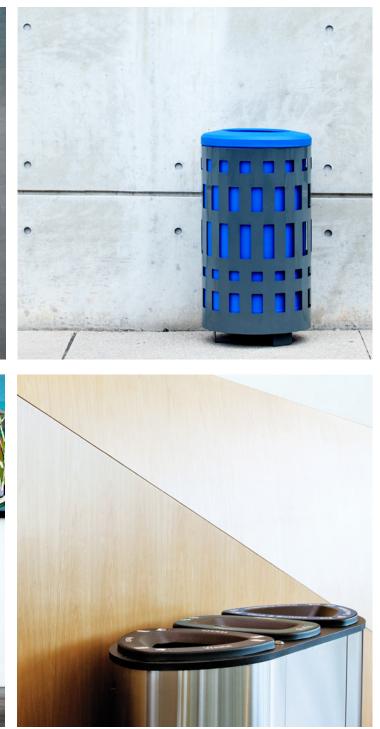












# ICONOGRAPHY

Iconography is the collection of graphic elements that contribute to brand identification. These graphic elements help to visually communicate the Busch Systems brand and can be used in many ways, across all applications.

# Rules for Use of Icons:

- A mixture of line icons and full color icons is ideal.
- Limit the number of icons in a composition so as not to overwhelm or create clutter.
- Icons should never be placed ontop of a photograph (except for the color bar or a banner).

#### Rules for Creation of New Icons:

- Only use flat color. No gradients or drop shadows.
- Line icons should be consistent in weight. Gray is ideal, although they can be in any color from the brand color palette.
- Use colors from the brand color palette and/or colors that compliment the brand color palette.

#### CONTACT & NAVIGATIONAL ICONS

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LINE ICONS



- The Busch Systems color bar is made up of
- complimentary colors from the primary palette.
- It is used as a main graphic element on various mediums.

#### FULL COLOR ICONS



Establishing a strong and consistent brand is essential in making a first impression. Below are some examples of how the principles in this guideline are executed across various mediums to produce a uniform brand.





Be Creative and Have Fun! If ever you are in doubt, just refer back to this guide. Any questions? Feel free to reach out to us!





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