

The Township of Muskoka Lakes Brand Map

Brand Guidelines



A detailed map of the Muskoka Lakes Township in Ontario, Canada. The map shows a dense network of lakes, rivers, and roads. Key locations include Huntsville, Bracebridge, and Muskoka Falls. The map is overlaid with a grid and various icons representing different services and landmarks. The text is overlaid on the map in a dark red color.

We'd like to introduce you to our brand.

This is the brand book for the Township of Muskoka Lakes.

Think of it as a “how to” guide for our brand. It contains guidelines for just about everything you need to know about maintaining our brand identity. And if you meet a fork in the road or hit uncharted waters, simply use this brand book as a map to navigate.

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Rowboat on dock: Port Carling

The brand story. The beginning.



Refreshing a brand's image creates a lot of excitement. And rightly so. This identity will be applied across all media and throughout all communications to create a single, distinctive voice. To this end, we are introducing a brand image that is warm and charming. (Think quilt.)

The starting point.



Everything in this book was designed with two things in mind.

To create one distinctive look and feel for our brand.

And to make things as easy as possible.

Many topics have been covered making it easy to stay true to the new brand identity. With that, we hope you enjoy your journey.

Tracking the brand positioning.



People are drawn to the Township of Muskoka Lakes to get spoiled by the unspoiled. We offer the best of nature and the best of life and we want to continue being a place in which the world wants to live. We'll even help them with the coordinates.

A solid footing on brand architecture.



Without the proper treatment of brand elements, our brand architecture weakens. This next section contains all the specifics of staying true to the brand. From colour options to font selection, we've covered many different subjects making it easy to follow the brand's footprint.

If you have any questions, please consult FLY Agency, Toronto.



Old wooden covered bridge: Bala cranberry farm

Logo. A look-see.

With the dawn of a new brand image, comes a new logo. Our new logo resembles two things: a Muskoka chair, as well as a jewel. The top three slats of the chair/logo represent Lakes Joseph, Rosseau and Muskoka. When seen as a unit, they form a jewel, as the lakes are often called.

The result is a look and feel that is distinct from any other – just like the area.

The logo comes in one orientation and is available electronically.



TOWNSHIP OF
MUSKOKA
Lakes™

LOGOS

A clear space for the Muskoka Lakes logo.

Like a cabin in the woods, a logo needs a proper amount of space around it to function.

Below you'll find the logo with the real estate it needs around it to stand out.

Minimum size = 0.75"w



X=height of "M"



LOGOS

Our true colours.

Often times, you will not be able to use a full colour logo. If this is the case, please pick from the logos found below based on your needs.



3 colour logo
PMS spot colours



1 colour logo
PMS 1807C



1 colour logo
black



3 colour logo
4C process



1 colour logo
PMS 5405C



1 colour logo
reverse on dark colours



1 colour logo
PMS 1605C

A map of incorrect logo usage.

Any cartographer worth his compass makes sure map-making tools are used properly. In kind, please use our logo resources properly. Do not change or alter logos in your communications. This helps maintain the integrity of the brand and keeps the brand headed in the right direction.



stretch horizontally



stretch vertically



rotate



change colours



screen



curve



place on similar/
dark backgrounds



drop shadow



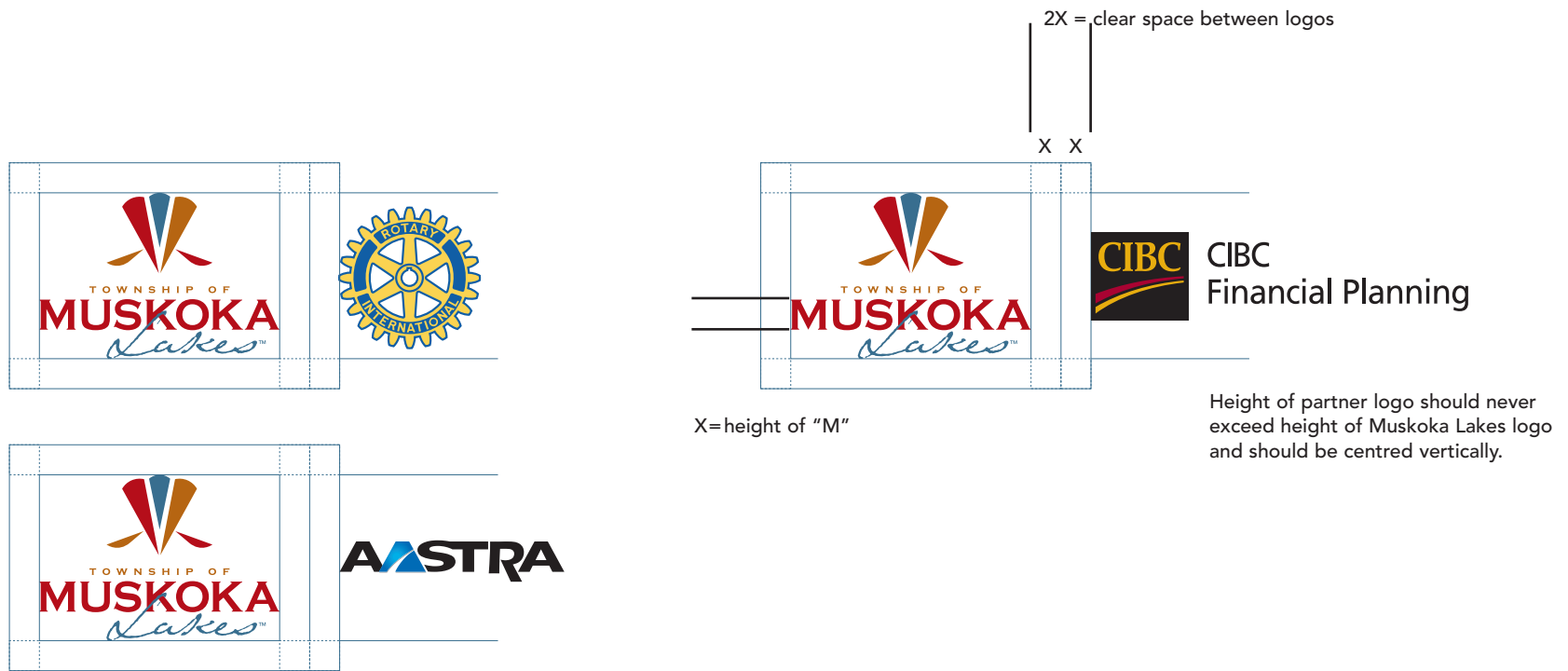
split the
logo/wordmark



re-arrange wordmark

Co-branding. A short guide.

In many cases, the Township of Muskoka Lakes logo will appear alongside another logo. Like two loons on a lake, co-branded logos should live harmoniously with one another. In these cases, please follow the guidelines shown below.



Trademark Territory.

Three rules of thumb.

1. Never put the small TM symbol anywhere except in the upper right-hand corner of the wordmark.
2. Never forget to use the TM symbol after the first time you use the wordmark, or name in any communication, be it a document, ad, or in email text.
3. Never pick up yellow snow.





Cranberry pressing drum

TAGLINE

Let's play taglines.

Whether at work, rest or play, the function of a tagline is to breathe personality into a brand. It is a reflection of the brand and often times, it is the reader's first impression of the brand.

TAGLINE

The tagline of the Township of Muskoka Lakes.

The new tagline positions our brand as a place where nature and life are uncompromised.

It speaks to both residents and vacationers alike. Most importantly, its tone is inviting and aspirational.

Please use the tagline for any informational piece of communication targeted to the public. Be it a print ad or a direct mail piece, the tagline will add to the brand voice.

T H I S I S T H E L I F E .

TAGLINE

Tagline, meet logo.

When the tagline and logo come together,
they must function as a unit.

Please follow the spacing rules
so this union is a blessed one.



Do not separate tagline from logo.





COLOUR PALETTES

The primary colours of the Township of Muskoka Lakes

The colour palette was chosen with careful consideration to reflect the life in Muskoka Lakes.
Please use these primary and secondary colours so we can conserve and build our brand image.

CRANBERRY



PMS 1807C

cmyk
0/100/96/28

rgb
141/32/25

hex
8D2019

LAKE



PMS 5405C

cmyk
58/17/0/46

rgb
71/97/123

hex
47617B

AUTUMN



PMS 1605C

cmyk
0/56/100/30

rgb
151/92/30

hex
975C1E

Secondary colours.

DARK CRANBERRY

cmyk
0/100/96/38
rgb
125/28/22
hex
7D1C16

DARK LAKE

cmyk
58/17/0/56
rgb
61/84/106
hex
3D546A

DARK AUTUMN

cmyk
0/67/100/38
rgb
133/72/25
hex
854819

MIDNIGHT PANTONE DS 324-2C

cmyk
0/67/100/38
rgb
133/72/25
hex
854819

REDEARTH PANTONE DS 89-1C

cmyk
0/100/90/40
rgb
122/27/27
hex
7A1B1B

MUSKOKA TAN PANTONE DS 10-9C

cmyk
5/3/10/5
rgb
224/223/210
hex
E0DFD2

SNOW WHITE

cmyk
0/0/0/0
rgb
255/255/255
hex
FFFFFF





Meet our fonts. And their families.

Introducing Avenir and Univers. As you can see, there are many choices within the Avenir and Univers families. Though just fonts, they help maintain the overall brand personality.

Avenir used for Communications

UNIVERS BLACK SIGNAGE&ENVIRONMENTAL

MAC FONTS

Communications

Avenir Heavy

abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxy
ABCDEFGHIJKLMNPOQRSTUVWXYZ

Avenir Medium

abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxy
ABCDEFGHIJKLMNPOQRSTUVWXYZ

Avenir Light

abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxy
ABCDEFGHIJKLMNPOQRSTUVWXYZ

Signage & Environmental

UNIVERS BLACK

abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxy
ABCDEFGHIJKLMNPOQRSTUVWXYZ

Body Copy for Lengthy Documents

Minion

abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxy
ABCDEFGHIJKLMNPOQRSTUVWXYZ

PC FONTS

Headlines, Subheads, Sectionals & Categorical

Arial Black

abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxy
ABCDEFGHIJKLMNPOQRSTUVWXYZ

Arial

abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxy
ABCDEFGHIJKLMNPOQRSTUVWXYZ

Body Copy for Lengthy Documents

Times New Roman

abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxy
ABCDEFGHIJKLMNPOQRSTUVWXYZ

Reading the typography map.

There are many combinations within the Avenir and Univers font families.

Please do not introduce additional fonts as it will look cluttered.

**“ It is to be observed that ‘angling’
is the name given to fishing
by people who can’t fish. ”**

Stephen Leacock



Learning Muskoka Lakes-speak.



The Township of Muskoka Lakes is a community boasting of many things but we do not boast. We speak with quiet confidence and with charm. We are not stuffy or bureaucratic. And our language does not contain anything resembling legal jargon. (No offense, legal jargonites.)

Please use words and phrases accessible to all – which is what the Township of Muskoka Lakes is.

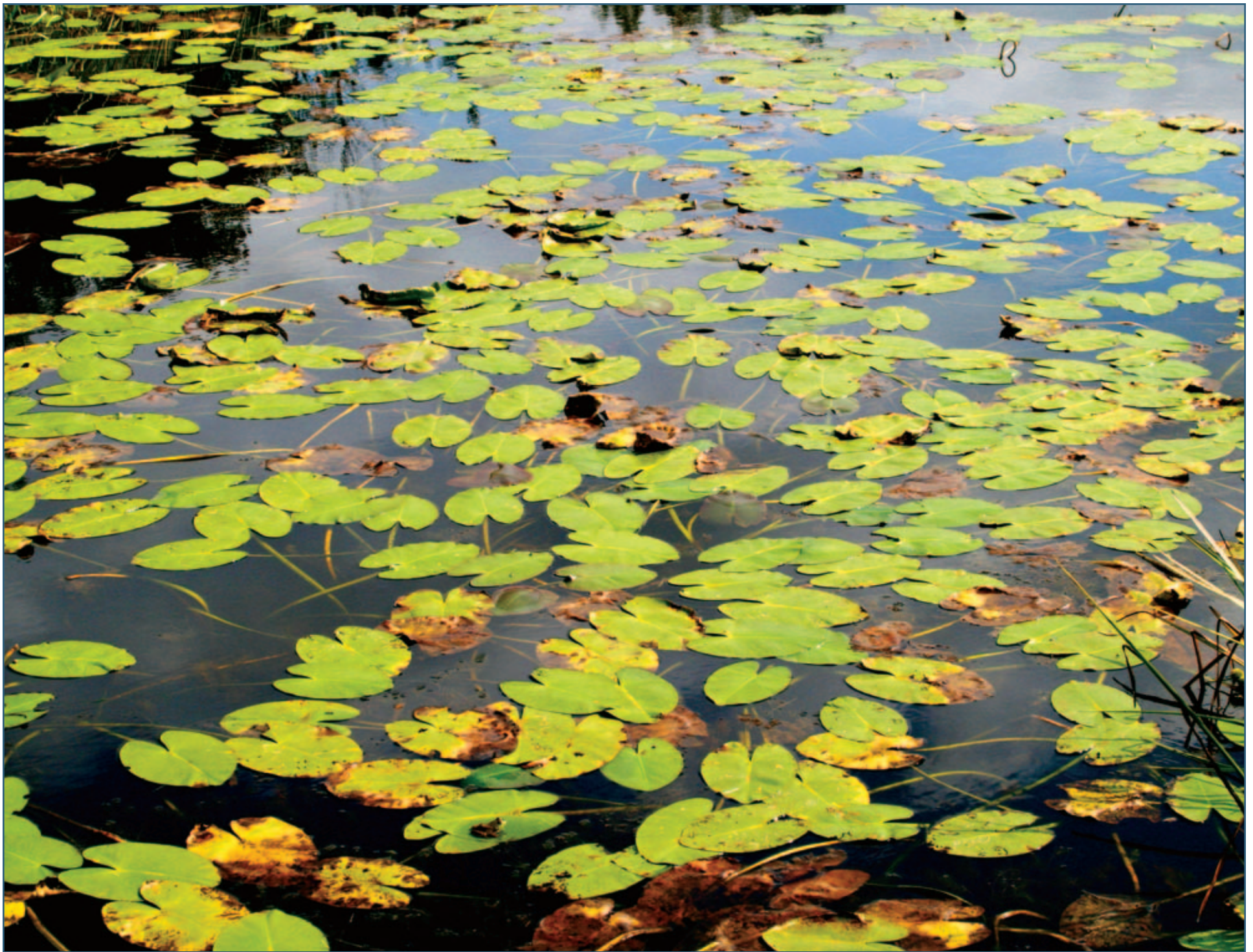
A resonate brand voice.

Even when heard from across a lake, familiar voices are very distinct. But once other voices are added, they become diluted and less easy to distinguish. Likewise, to remain clear and distinct, our brand should have one voice. For the Township of Muskoka Lakes, the brand voice is friendly, honest and disarming.

Calm relaxed • casual • sincere

Confident clear • honest • established

Warm friendly • inviting • charming



Lily pads in the cranberry bogs, Bala

IMAGERY

Picturing Muskoka Lakes.

A brand's personality should not be left to the imagination.

The following images reflect the brand's tone. They are examples of photographs with a warm, sophisticated feel that make you want to think more about the Township of Muskoka Lakes.



IMAGERY

Picturing Muskoka Lakes cont'd.



IMAGERY

Picturing Muskoka Lakes cont'd.





Metal lettering on telephone pole: Bala

Finding your way around signage.

This section will deal with signage. From public docks to building signs, we plan to point you in the right direction.

Township Entry

- S8.1 Grand Entry
- S8.2 Medium Entry
- S8.3 Small Entry

Community Entry

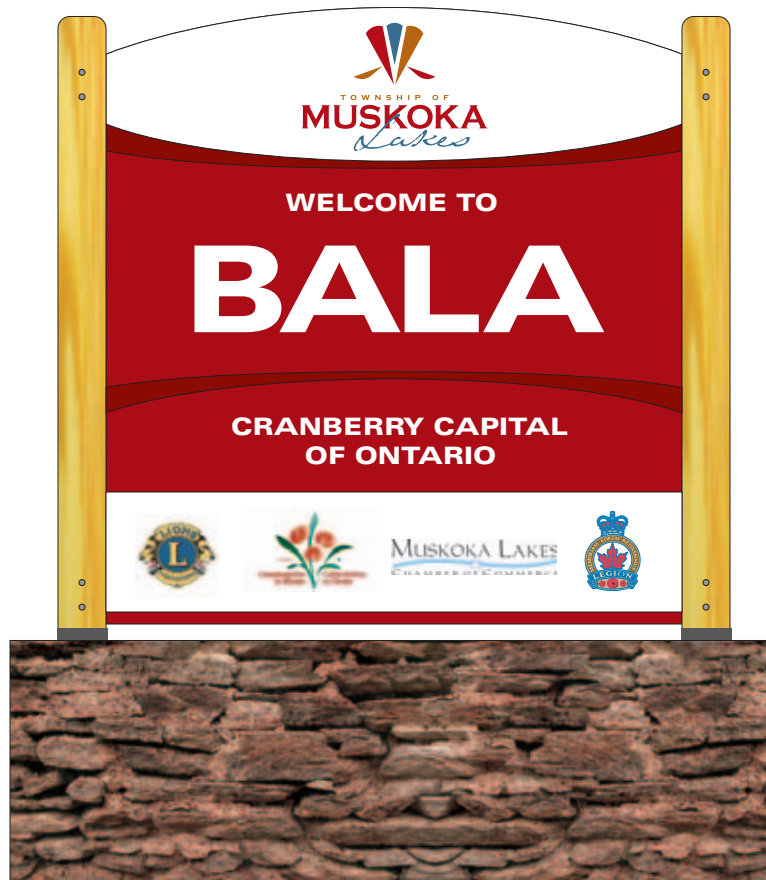
- S8.4 Large
- S8.5 Medium
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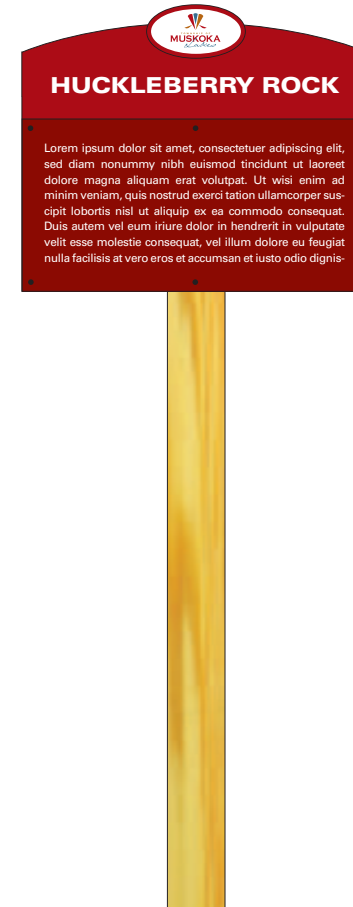




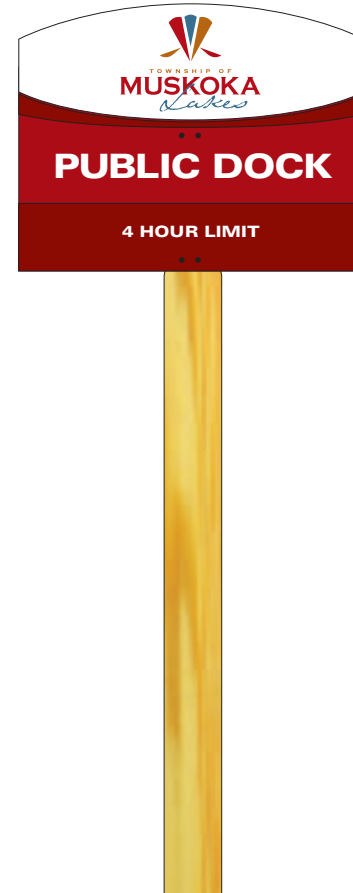




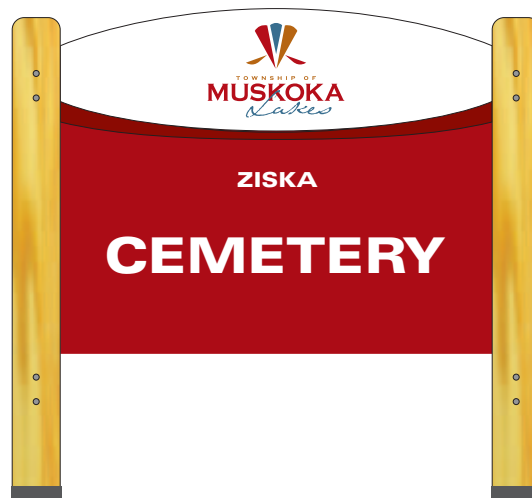














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PMS 1797



PMS 123



PMS 3135



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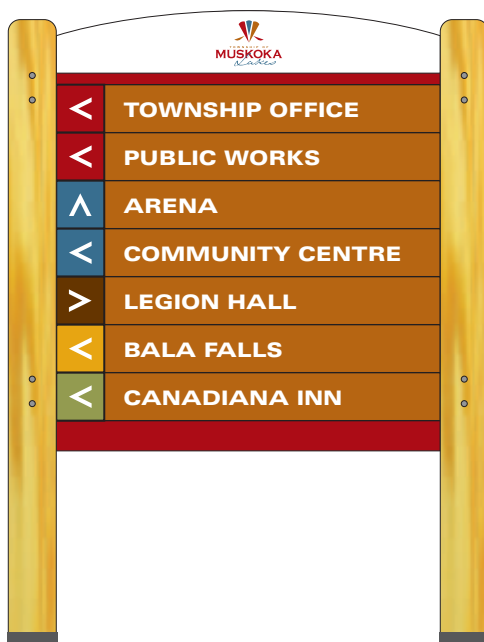


PMS 1585



PMS 3415





CATEGORY: COLOUR SYSTEM

PMS 1807		PUBLIC SERVICE	• Township Office • Public Works • Fire Halls etc.
PMS 5405		RECREATIONAL FACILITIES	• Arenas • Community Centres • Sports Fields
PMS 1545		NON-TOWNSHIP SERVICES	• Curling Clubs • Legion Halls • OPP • Churches etc.
PMS 131		ATTRACTIONS	• Port Carling Locks • Bala Falls • Heritage Museum etc.
PMS 5767		COMMERCIAL	• Hotels • Resorts • Retail Operations







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A showcase of brand applications.

These following pages are dedicated to branding examples. You will see how to brand everything from a building and a pen, to a mug and a deer. (Just seeing if you were still paying attention.)

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Staff and Retail Clothing

S9.2 Firefighter Badging

S9.3 Golf Shirts

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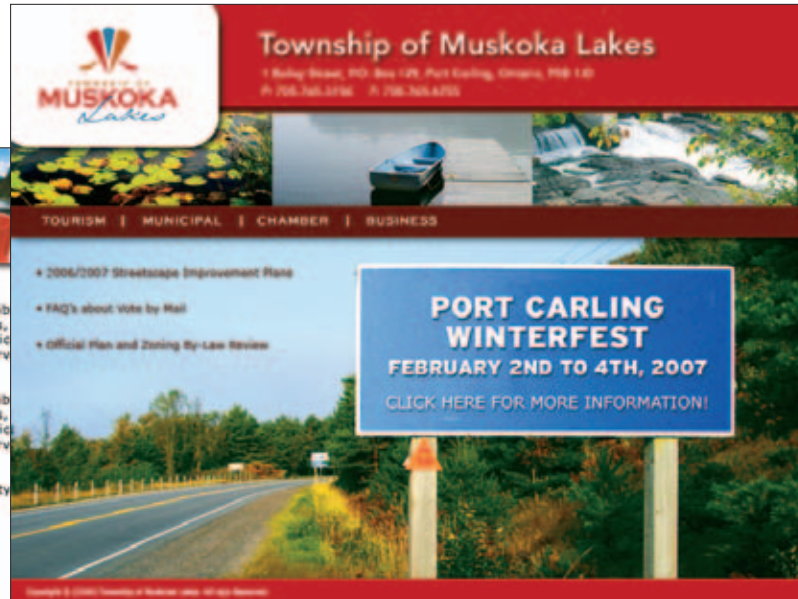












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