

# CORPORATE DESIGN GUIDELINES

# WELCOME TO THE ACE BRAND GUIDELINES

#### **ACE is a Stabilus Company**

ACE has officially been a member of Stabilus S.A., one of the world's leading manufacturers of gas springs, electromechanical drives and dampers.

#### The ACE Brand Appearance

This guide will help you to familiarize yourself with our brand elements. It will also assist you in creating and producing powerful communications.

## APOWERFUL

LOGOTYPE

### SYMBOL

LOGO
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Seit Mitte 2016 ist ACE offiziell ein Unternehmen der Stabilus S.A., einem weltweit führenden Hersteller von Gasfedern, elektromechanischen Antrieben und Dämpfern.

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! Please only use the master logos provided.



#### **Logo-Colour ACE Blue**

CMYK 85|56|0|40 RGB 25|70|125 HEX #19467d

Pantone 2154 C RAL 5017

#### **Versions**

The ACE logo usually stands on a white background.

There is only one coloured version.

In special cases, a black version is used.

White variants: In certain cases (exhibition walls, signage, advertisements, etc.), the logo can be printed on a coloured, ideally blue, background.

If the background is similar to the ACE Blue, the letters are transparent!





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#### Size

The size of the endorser is set for two different formats. The logo including endorser is always scaled together, so it remains in the same proportions.

The common version is the "Basis Version".

A "Mini Version" for very small formats is also available.

MINI VERSION MINIMUM SIZE

ACE
A STABILUS COMPANY

BASIS VERSION
A4/LETTER



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LOGO - APPLICATION

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#### **Placement**

The trademarks will always be placed on a highlighted position, preferably in the upper left corner of the layout area.

#### **Background**

The preferred background for the logotype is white. When it is placed on images, please take care to choose a calm underground. The logo must have sufficient contrast to the background.

#### Recommended free space

The logos of the subbrands are always surrounded with free

space that emphasizes the value of each sign. This free space should be equivalent to at least the height of the core logotype.

- If the design area is very small (such as on advertising materials), the distance of the logo from the edges can exceptionally be reduced to at least 1/4 of its height.
- ! Please only use the master logos provided.





Minimum free space

If the design area is very small (such as on advertising materials), the distance of the logo from the edges can exceptionally be reduced to at least 1/4 of its height.

#### Minimum size

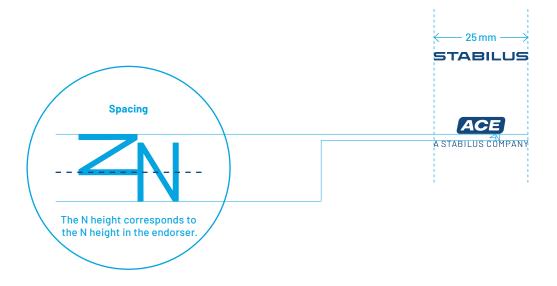
The minimum width of the logo is defined as  $25\,\mathrm{mm}$  in print applications and  $160\,\mathrm{px}$  in digital devices. The endorser has the same width as the logo.

The font size of the endorser is 6.6 pt.

#### **Exceptions**

- 1. The ACE logo is scaled down proportionally to the Stabilus logo.
- 2. Graphics of the Tech Products and Piston logos are slightly broader than the logo width.

! Please only use the master logos provided.



#### A4/Letter

The logo size A4/Letter is the basis. The font size of the endorser is 7.7 pt

#### **Scaled Version**

The logo size A4/Letter is the basis and it is allowed to scaled down to 85% proportionally. Reduction of logo size below 85% is only allowed with marketing approval.

The font size of the endorser is 6.6 pt

The N height corresponds to the N height in the endorser.

#### Mini

The minimum width of the logo is defined as  $25\,\mathrm{mm}$  for print.

The mini version must not be scaled in size.

The font size of the endorser is 6.6 pt

Please only use the master logos provided.

A4/Letter Logo Version is only allowed to scaled down to 85%. In special cases only with the approval of marketing.

Minimum Logo Version is not allowed to scale.

BASIS A4/LETTER - 100%

Brand Endorser: 7.7 pt
A STABILUS COMPANY

SCALED VERSION
A4/LETTER - 85%

Brand Endorser: 6.6 pt
A STABILUS COMPANY

MINI VERSION 100%

Brand Endorser: 6.6 pt
A STABILUS COMPANY







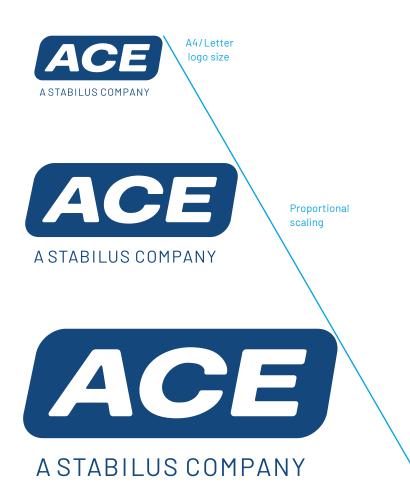
#### Scaled A4/Letter

From logo size A4/Letter is enlarged proportionally. Reduction of A4/Letter logo size is allowed only to 85%! A reduction of the logo size below 85% is only allowed with the approval of Marketing.

#### Large size

For larger formats the endorser is scaled proportionally with the logo.

Please only use the master logos provided.



LOGO - DOS AND DON'TS

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The primary use for the ACE Logotype is in Logo Blue.



Do not use the blue or black version of the logo on a colored background.



The logo must not be placed on unsteady backgrounds that impair its impact and legibility.



The logo may not be used in colors other than clear blue, black or white.



Do not change the font.



Do not add any effects to the logo.



Do not change proportions. Disproportional enlargements and reductions in size and any other modifications are not permitted.



Do not use a low quality file of the logo.



Do not angle the logo.



Do not add graphic elements.

If the logo you have does not suit your needs, or you need the logo in a different format, please contact ACE Marketing.

# A POWERFUL STATEMENT

CLAIM

#### Statement

ACE is the leading quality supplier of industrial damping technology and an expert in the rapid development of your solution.

Outstanding service, short development times, reliability and fast on-site availability make the difference for your success. Highest performance without compromise is our promise that you can rely on.

ACE ist der führende Qualitätslieferant industrieller Dämpfungstechnik und Experte für die schnelle Entwicklung Ihrer Lösung. Herausragender Service, kurze Entwicklungszeiten, Zuverlässigkeit und eine schnelle Verfügbarkeit vor Ort machen den Unterschied aus, für Ihren Erfolg. Höchste Leistung ohne Kompromisse ist unser Versprechen, auf das man sich verlassen kann.

#### Design

The claim is set in capital letters in the font Barlow Regular. Preferably in the color of the logo.

### WHEN PERFORMANCE MATTERS

CLAIM APPLICATIONS

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#### **Application**

The rules for the claim:

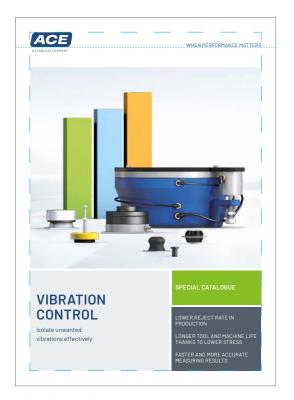
- Set in capital letters in the font Barlow Regular Preferably in the color of the logo.
- The font size is freely selectable. However, it should always remain clearly legible and the height of the cap should not exceed the height of the graphic element of the logo.
- If continuous text is available, the size of the claim can be based on this.

#### **Placement**

The claim always interacts with the logo, preferably in a horizontal reference, left- or right-aligned at the edge of the type area.

- 1. The claim is aligned with the lower edge of the logo.
- 2. The claim is aligned at the bottom type area in a vertical reference to the logo.

- Spelling and punctuation must not be changed.
- If a good legibility cannot be ensured the claim should not be applied.





Claim aligned at the bottom type area.

Claim aligned with the lower edge of the logo.

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#### The claim as a headline

In corporate communications, the claim can also be used as a headline. Here, the rules for handling the house font apply.







Exemplary application of the claim as an attention-grabbing headline.

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#### The claim under the logo

If the claim cannot be placed next to the logo (space, readability, URL, partner logos), it may be placed under the logo. This option should remain an exception.

The claim is seperated from the endorser by a blue line of 0.5 pt. The line in the length of the endorser cuts the space between the endorser and claim in half (height of "endorser-N"

vertically in line). If the claim runs longer than the endorser, the line will be as long as the claim.

The alignment of the subbrand's claim corresponds to the endorser. The font size is variable, but at least corresponds to the size of the endorser.





The font size corresponds to the endorser.



The font size is significantly increased.

Exemplary application of the claim in combination with the logo

# BEST SUITED TO THE MESSAGE

**BRAND COLORS** 

A color concept reduced to a few colors characterizes the look and provides consistent visual appearance. The primary colors underline the technical high-grade impression.

#### **Clear Blue und Sky Blue**

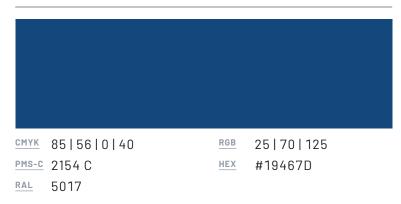
The color blue is unmistakably linked to ACE (Stabilus) and therefore the leading color. In our color system it stands for stability and quality. Clear Blue always appears in full tone, while Sky Blue can also be applied with an opacity of 80% in charts and diagrams with larger areas.

#### White

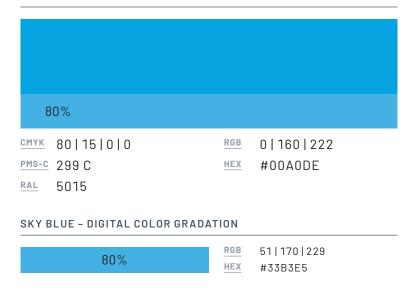
White is the basic color of ACE (Stabilus) and creates visual generosity and sovereignty. White space creates optimal design possibilities together with the defined corporate colors.

- The secondary colors should be used sparingly and for emphasis, e.g., for differentiation of information in charts and information graphics and guidance systems. Excessive use is waived.
- Yellow appears mostly isolated, surroundedby neutral colors such as grey and white.

#### CLEAR BLUE



#### SKY BLUE



#### WHITE



<u>CMYK</u> 0 | 0 | 0 | 0

PMS-C \_

RAL 9003

RGB 255 | 255 | 255

HEX #FFFFF

#### **Dark Gray**

Dark Gray is a special composed gray tone, including its shades, that stands for the technical facets and conveys values such as reliability, quality and precision. Color gradations follow the Fibonacci sequence in steps of 80%, 50%, 30%, 20%, 10%.

#### **Spot Color**

In high-quality media or 3-dimensional applications Dark Gray may be substituted by silver.

#### **Deep Yellow**

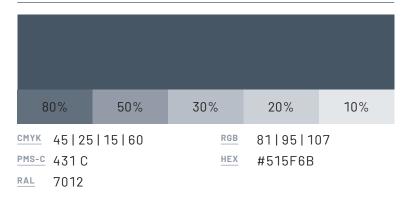
Deep Yellow complements the color palette. Used purposefully, the warm color assumes emotional and functional aspects in the layout system. The friendly yellow tone has an activating effect and consciously sets positive impulses.

The secondary colors should be used sparingly and for emphasis, e.g., for differentiation of information in charts and information graphics and guidance systems. An excessive use is waived.

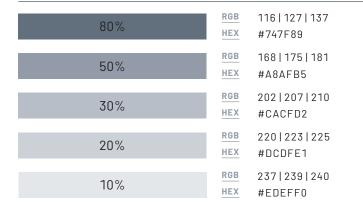
Yellow appears mostly isolated, surrounded by neutral colors such as grey and white.

80 % Yellow may only be used in conjunction with deep Yellow.

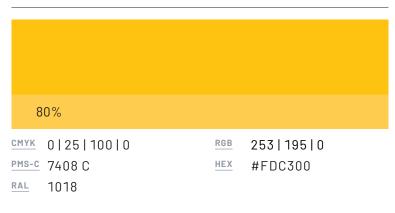
#### DARK GRAY



#### DARK GRAY - DIGITAL COLOR GRADATIONS



#### **DEEP YELLOW**



#### **DEEP YELLOW - DIGITAL COLOR GRADATION**

80% RGB 253|207|51 HEX #FDCF33

#### SILVER



PMS-C 877 C RAL 9006

#### **Secondary Categories**

Colour coding of the ACE segments using defined colours









Segment	colo	ur 01	
Automati	on C	ontr	ol

CMYK 61 - 7 - 31 - 0 RGB 113 - 176 - 180 HEX # 71B0B4

Pantone 2232 C

RAL 6034 Pastel turquoise

Segment colour 02

Motion Control

CMYK 0 - 25 - 100 - 0 RGB 253 - 195 - 0 HEX # FDC300

Pantone 7406 C RAL 1018 Segment colour 03 **Vibration Control** 

CMYK 50 - 0 - 100 - 0 RGB 147 - 192 - 28 HEX # 93C01C

Pantone 375 C

RAL 6018 Yellow green (only approximate!)

Segment colour 04
Safety Products

CMYK 0 - 95 - 80 - 0 RGB 229 - 32 - 46 HEX # E5202E

Pantone 185 C

RAL 3020 Traffic red (only approximate!)

#### **Secondary Categories**

Colour coding of the ACE segments using defined colours

#### **Automation Control**

Miniature Industrial Shock Absorbers Industrial Shock Absorbers Heavey Industrial Shock Absorbers Profile Dampers Damping Pads Pallet Stoppers



Gas Springs - Push Type Gas Springs - Pull Type Hydraulic Dampers Door Dampers Hydraulic Feed Controls **Rotary Dampers** 



Rubber-Metal Isolators Vibration-Isolating Pads Low Frequency Pneumatic Leveling Mounts



#### **Safety Products**

Safety Shock Absorbers Safety Dampers Clamping Elements Viscoelastic Shock Absorbers

#### Dämpfungstechnik

Kleinstoßdämpfer Industriestoßdämpfer Schwere Industriestoßdämpfer Strukturdämpfer Stoßdämpfungsplatten Palettenstopper

#### Geschwindigkeitsregulierung

Industrie-Gasdruckfedern Industrie-Gaszugfedern Hydraulische Bremszylinder Türdämpfer Vorschub-Ölbremsen Rotationsbremsen

#### Schwingungstechnik

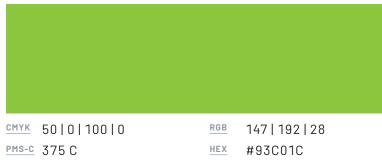
Schwingungsisolierende Platten Schwingungsdämpfer Niederfrequente Luftfederelemente

#### Sicherheitsprodukte

Sicherheitsstoßdämpfer Sicherheitsdämpfer Klemmelemente Viskoelastische Stoßdämpfer For notifications, warnings and status messages a third level of color coding was created. The Signal Colors may only be used for typography, small graphic elements and icons.

 Signal Colors are solely used for notifications, warnings and status messages if a color differentiation is required.





#### SIGNAL RED



Through a right emphasis and assignment, the color spectrum offers orientation for the beholder and enables an exciting layout.

A stage is needed to make an impression: White areas are an important layout element in the corporate design of ACE (Stabilus). Images and texts receive their best advantage with the use of generous free areas and contents appear clear and structured.

Clear Blue is the most used color for texts besides black.

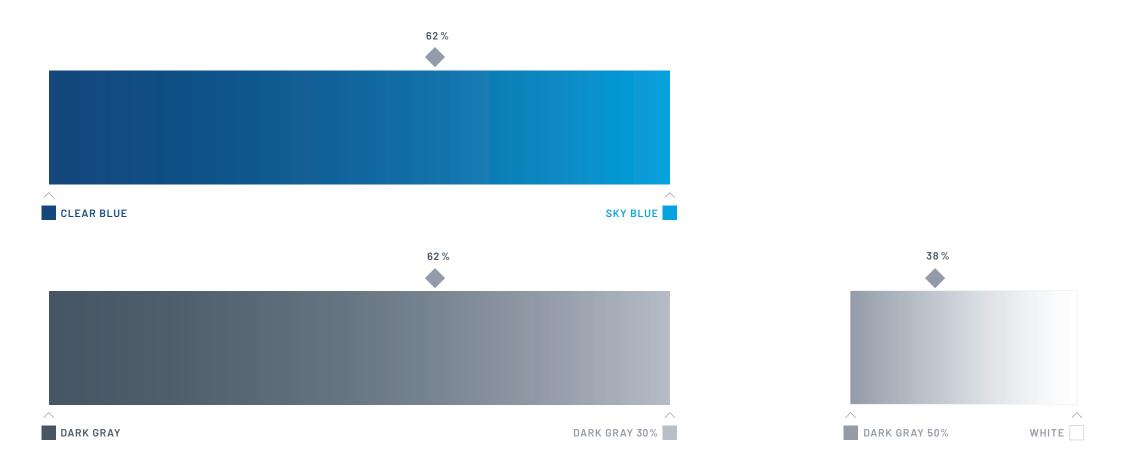


Color Gradients support the modern and dynamic visual appearance. The area proportions between two colors are in relation to the Golden Ratio.



Gradients may only be created either with the Stabilus blue tones or within the gray

tones.



# COMMUNICATION CONSISTENCY IS KEY

**TYPOGRAPHY** 

ACE Corporate Design Guide | Page 25 CORPORATE FONT FAMILY

Barlow is a slightly rounded, low-contrast, grotesque font family. It is characterized by clarity and precision. With a geometric construction and soft corners it provides a contemporary and both technological and friendly appearance and therefore fits the Stabilus brand image perfectly.

It includes a complete system of 18 font weights, which are optimally coordinated to each other and thus can be combined with great versatility. The font is also optimized for use in digital environments to achieve consistent in-brand typography throughout all channels. The latest version of the font is available at: https://tribby.com/fonts/barlow

- Barlow is free software, released under the SIL Open Font License, that allows unlimited international usage.
- Barlow Condensed and Barlow Semi Condensed are not part of the Corporate Font Family and must not be used.

CHARACTERS

**GLYPHS** 

ÀÁÂÃÄÅÄĄÆBÇĆĊČĎĐÈÉÊËĒĖĘĚFĞĠĢĦÌÍÎÏĪJİĶĹĻĽŁÑŃŅŇÒÓÔÕÖ ŌŐØOPQŔŖŘŚŞŠŞŢŤŦŢÙÚÛÜŪŮŰŲŴWŴŸŸŶŹŻŽÞàáâãäåāāajāàá âãäåāäaaæbçćċčďđðèéêëēėęěfǧġġħìíîïījıijķĺJľłñńņňòóôōöōőøoeŕŗř  $\times <> \pm \leq \geq \neq \pi \prod \partial \int \infty \left[ \langle \Omega \Delta \mu \ominus \ell \& \ll \rangle \right] ' \# \otimes ^{\text{otho}} '' * \dagger \pm \S \P^{\wedge} \sim \underline{\text{ad}}$ 1/8 3/8 5/8 7/8 1/4 1/2 3/4!?@#\$€£¥¢%^&\*()

global team THIN

forward thinking

specialists

innovative

kinematics

dynamics

variable

ergonomic

motion

**EXTRA** 

LIGHT

LIGHT

REGULAR

**MEDIUM** 

**SEMI BOLD** 

BOLD

**EXTRA BOLD** 

To fullfill communication measures worldwide the Noto font is recommended for non-Latin and Asian typesetting. The Noto font family aims to support all languages with a harmonious look and feel. Noto has multiple styles and weights, and is freely available worldwide.

It includes all Cyrillic, Asian Cyrillic and Modern Greek characters and also comprehensively covers Simplified Chinese, Traditional Chinese, Japanese, Korean and many more in a unified font family. All supported languages and the free fonts can be found at: www.google.com/get/noto

**GLYPHS** 

KOREAN

Noto Sans CJK TC

글로벌 팀

JAPANESE

Noto Sans CJK TC

前向きの考え方

SIMPLIFIED CHINESE

Noto Sans CJK TC

专家

TRADITIONAL CHINESE

Noto Sans CJK TC

創新

GREEK

Noto Sans

κινηματική

ARABIC

Noto Sans Arabic

RUSSIAN

Noto Sans

пераменная

The systematic range of the Fibonacci sequence is perfect to define font sizes, line heights and margins that structure the content clearly and create a diversified rhythm.

The typography is preferably left orientated with a ragged margin. A generous line braking area supports the modern dynamic appearance.

The Stabilus corporate colors, the defined color gradients and the different font weights of the Stabilus font can be used for highlighting and differentiation.

The spelling of the headlines is also allowed in mixed letters

Headline lorem ipsum dolor

#### HEADLINE LOREM IPSUM DOLOR

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### HEADLINE WITH COLOR GRADIENT

#### Exemplary use of the Fibonacci sequence to structure text

According to the Fibonacci Sequence each font size is the sum of the previous two, e.g., Headline = Copy text + Intro text

#### The spelling of the headlines is also allowed in mixed letters

#### Headline lorem ipsum dolor

E.G. BROCHURE

#### **HEADLINE LOREM** IPSUM DOLOR

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16 pt

10 pt

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> Generous line breaking area with few hyphenations

Spacing corresponds to the headline format

Spacing corresponds to the Intro text

Spacing corresponds to the Copy text

E.G. FLYER

#### 21pt HFADI INF LORFM IPSUM DOLOR

#### 13pt Intro text lorem ipsum dolor sit nullabora con sapersp erupta

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### CLEAR AND

PRECISE

**OUR STATIONERY** 

STATIONERY OVERVIEW

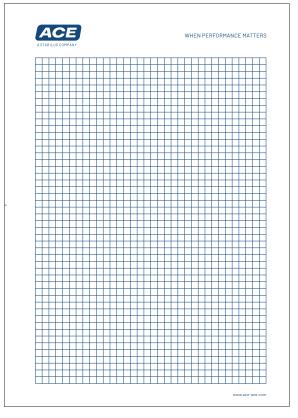
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Shown on this page are examples of a letterhead, business cards and note pad.

#### **Templates**

Letterhead: w210 x h297mm and US letter size Business cards: w55 x h85mm and US size Note Pad: w210 x h297mm and US letter size





Letterhead Note Pad (Memo form)









Business cards

Optional back with QR-Code for personal V-Card

#### Separating elements

Separate information that is placed in sequence must be separated by two blank spaces a middle dot and two blank spaces.

Company · Street 00 · 0000 City · Country ... etc.

Successive information is separated by a comma or semicolon according to weighting.

#### Telephone numbers

Telephone numbers are written as follows: International prefix +49 (Germany), local area code 1234 -, call number 123456, extension - 00

+49 1234 - 4568-00

#### Comments:

The individual blocks are separated by a blank space; a hyphen without a blank space is used between the local area code and the telephone number. The call number and the extension

(if there is one) are separated by a hyphen without a blank space.

Only the letter abbreviations are used to mark the number types (lower case letters). Instead of a colon, tab spacing is used:

T = Telephone, M = Mobile / optional F = Fax

#### Optional (as a rule, fax numbers are not used)

On business cards and media with little space, the fax end number can stand alone if the previous number is the same as the telephone number. The separation element is a forward slash with a half em or 2 blank spaces in front and behind:

#### T +49 1234 - 5678-00 / F-00

#### E-mail addresses

To standardise layouts, the wording "E-mail" are omitted for e-mail addresses.

It is assumed that the target group recognises the e-mail address by the @ symbol.

If the layout requires this designation, the term "e-mail" (lower case letters) or "e" is used. Instead of a colon, tab spacing is used!

#### employee@company.com

#### Internet addresses

To standardise layouts, the wording "Web" or "Internet" are omitted for Internet addresses. It is assumed that the target group recognises the Internet address by the "www". Even protocol codes such as "http://" are omitted.

If the layout requires this designation, the term "web" (lower case letters) or "w" is used. Instead of a colon, tab spacing is used!

#### www.company.com



#### WHEN PERFORMANCE MATTERS

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