### **Creating Labels in Word 2007**

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#### Labels with the same address

Creating the address

- 1. Open Word 2007. Click Mailings on the menu line. Select Labels on the ribbon.
- 2. On the Labels window, under Print, choose "full page of same label".
- 3. Click the Options tab, select your product number and click OK.
- 4. Still on the Labels window, type the address in the address box. To change fonts, highlight the address and rightclick, click Font and select your preferred font. Click OK.
- 5. Still on Labels window, click the NEW Doc button at the bottom. A Word doc will appear containing the labels.
- 6. If you want to reposition the address or insert a picture, continue below. Otherwise, just go ahead and print your labels on Plain Paper to make sure they will fit your labels. IF all is ok, Print your labels.
- 7. Save your document for printings at a later time.

## Repositioning the Address on the Label

- 1. To center the address vertically on the label, hover the cursor over the table until you see the cross symbol in the upper left corner, Rightclick on this symbol and click Table Properties.
- 2. Click the Cell tab and click Center. Click Ok.
- 3. To move the address so it is not so close to the left edge of the label, click in the white space of the doc so nothing is highlighted. Then, hover the cursor over the left edge of the table until the cursor changes to vertical parallel lines.
- 4. With the parallel lines visible, press the mouse button and drag the left edge in about ½ inch or more, depending on your label width. Use the ruler at the top of the page to guide you.
- 5. Repeat this step for each column dragging the vertical line that is closest to the left edge of the address text.
- 6. Print your labels on plain paper as a test, then Print your labels.
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### Inserting a picture on the label

- 1. To insert an image onto your label, click in the upper left table cell (label). Click Insert on the menu tab and select Picture. Locate the picture to be used and doubleclick it.
- 2. To resize the picture, hover the cursor on one of the corners until you see a twosided arrow, Press the mouse button and drag to resize.
- 3. To keep the address lines vertically aligned, rightclick on the image, hover the cursor over Text Wrapping, and click Tight. Then click and drag the image to its desired location on the label.
- 4. You must manually insert the picture in the remaining cells (labels) on the page. To do so, rightclick on the image and select Copy. Place the cursor in the next table cell where you want the image, rightclick and select paste. The text wrapping should already be set, but if the text is not wrapping around the picture properly, click and drag the picture to a different spot in the cell and then move it back to the desired location (Or repeat step 3 above).
- 5. Print labels on plain paper to test, then Print your labels
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### Labels with different addresses (using MS Outlook 2007)

Setting up and importing addresses from MS Outlook 2007

- 1. Open MS Word 2007 and click Mailings on the Menu
- 2. Click Start Mail Merge from the ribbon, select Labels. Click on the dropdown box arrow next to Label Vendors, and select the name of your labels. Click on the product number. Click OK.
- 3. Click Select Recipients from the ribbon. Choose "Select from Outlook Contacts." If a window appears asking you to choose a profile, click OK. Then doubleclick the contacts folder you wish to use (or click the folder and click OK).
- 4. On the Mail Merge Recipients window, remove the checkmark by addresses you don't want included. Sort the contacts if desired. When finished, click OK. The first cell of your document will be blank. The other cells will say <Next Record> or <Next Recipient>.
- 5. If you do not want to insert an image, skip to the next step. Otherwise, to insert an image onto the label:
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  - To keep the address lines vertically aligned and the picture positioned to the left or right of the address block, rightclick on the pic, hover the cursor over Text Wrapping and click Tight.
- 6. Next, click the Mailings tab on the menu line and click Address Block on the ribbon. In the window that appears, choose what info to include in the address. Look at the address in the preview window. Change as necessary. Click OK.
- 7. Still on the Mailings ribbon, click Preview Results. You will see an address in the first cell only. Reposition the pic if necessary. If you want to change the font or reposition the address on the label, continue with the next section. If you are ready to print your labels, skip to Printing Your Labels below.

### Changing Font Properties

- 1. Click on the address. Then highlight the entire address so just the words hightlight in blue.
- 2. Rightclick inside the highlighted area and click Font. Make the change and click OK. Proceed to Printing Your Labels below.

### Changing Indentation and Line Spacing

- 1. With the address still highlighted (or highlight as instructed above), righclick inside the highlighted area and click Paragraph.
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## Increasing the top margin so the address sits lower on the label

- 1. Rightclick table symbol that looks like cross (upper left of the table).
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