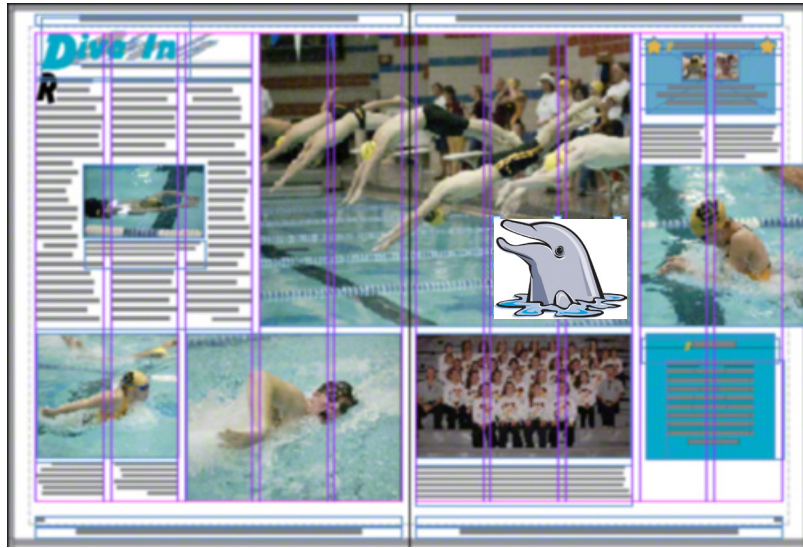




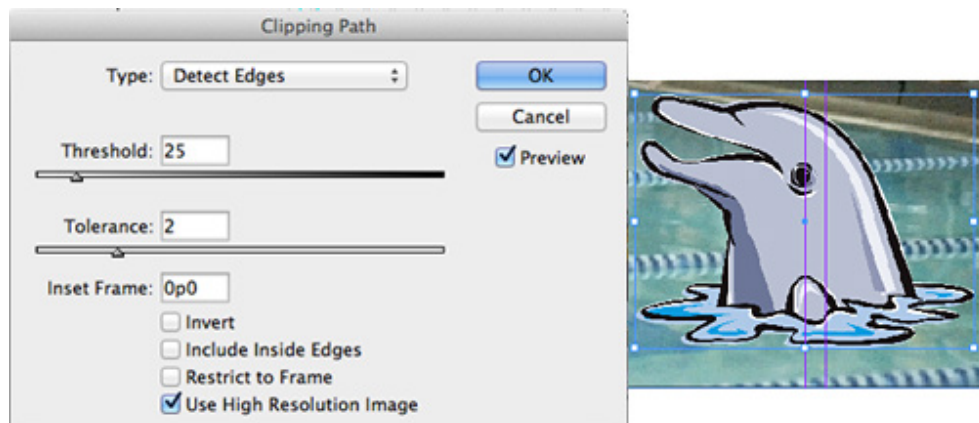
HOW TO REMOVE THE WHITE BOX AROUND CLIP ART IN ADOBE® INDESIGN®

Sometimes when clip art is placed on top of another element on a page, a white box shows up around the art. Creating a clipping path will remove the white background. InDesign can be used to create the clipping path if the image or photo has a hard edge or a white background and is a TIFF or EPS file. For complicated images, it may be easier to use Photoshop® to create the clipping path.



CREATE A CLIPPING PATH

- Place the art on your layout
- Go to **File > Place**
- Double-click on the file name
- Click on the layout to place the art
- Click on either the **Selection** tool or the **Direct Selection** tool
- Click on the art containing the white background
- Go to **Object > Clipping Path > Options**





- Select **Detect Edges** from the **Type** drop-down menu
 - Use this option unless you have created a clipping path in a program such as Photoshop
- Select **Preview** to see the changes take place
- **Threshold** field - This value determines which pixels will become transparent
 - Try different values
 - Sometimes the default value works
 - If you use 0, only white pixels become transparent
 - Less of the graphic stays visible with higher values
- **Tolerance** field
 - Try different values
 - Higher values make a smoother path
 - Lower values create a more complicated but more exact path
- **Include Inside Edges**
 - Check this if the graphic has light areas inside it you want to include in the path
- **Restrict to Frame**
 - Check this if you cropped the frame and only want the visible portion of the graphic included
- **Use High Resolution Image**
 - Keep this checked
 - The high-res image info is used instead of the low-res proxy image
 - You get a better clipping path
- Click **OK** when you are finished

