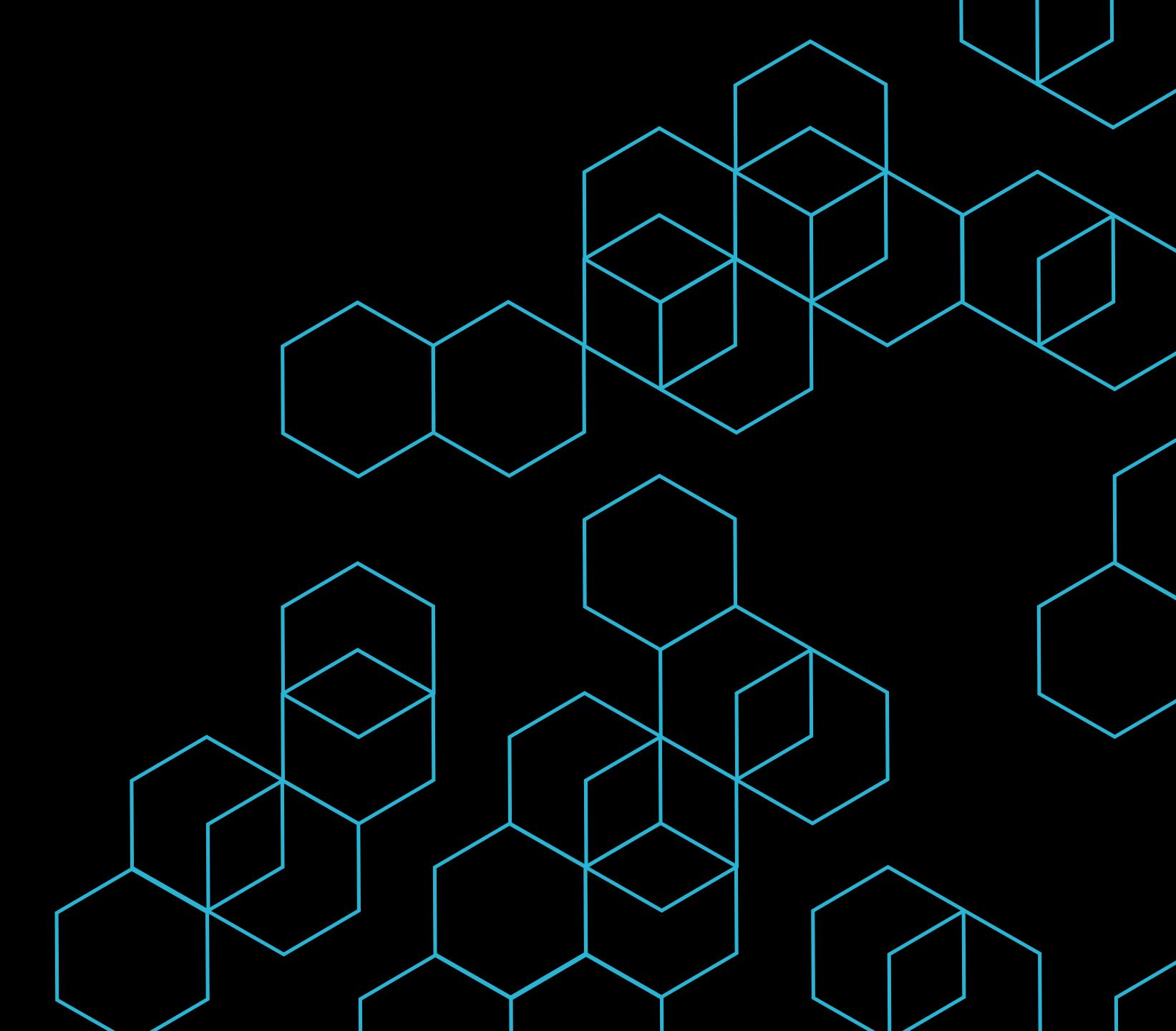


# Visual Brand Guidelines



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02



# The world's first and only anti-bias enterprise discussion management platform

# Making the world more thoughtful, one community at a time.

In 2009, our team set out to help organizations around the world unlock collective intelligence to solve their challenges. We aim to provide a platform for extraordinary respect and thoughtful discussion on even the most complex and divisive topics. Now thousands of leaders are gaining insights and bringing millions of people together in the business, public, and education sectors using ThoughtExchange.

#### Our culture.

Since our founding more than a decade ago in the small ski town of Rossland, BC, we've expanded our remote-first company to include a distributed workforce across North America.

We operate our workplace on our core values of extraordinary respect and generous curiosity, because we want our employees to be our biggest champions.

#### What we're committed to.

We're committed to a world that includes everyone's perspectives on the decisions that affect them. We want employees to feel heard and valued, communities to listen to diverse voices, and leaders to build inclusion and anti-bias into their decision-making. We're committed to internal and external initiatives around Anti-Racism, Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion, and Social Impact Partnerships with select nonprofits, charities, grassroots coalitions, and Indigenous-led organizations.

# Logo

### Logo



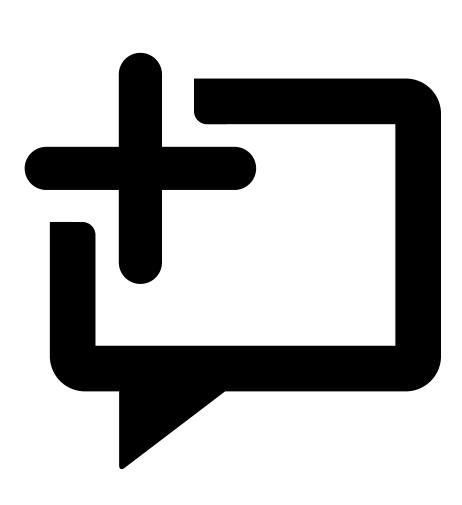
'Spought' Icon

Logotype

# 'Spought' Icon

The Spought, pronounced "spot", can be used as a stand-alone icon or used together with the logotype. The icon combines a plus sign (+) and a thought bubble to create the sense of thoughts being exchanged.

☐ Minimum icon size is 16px.



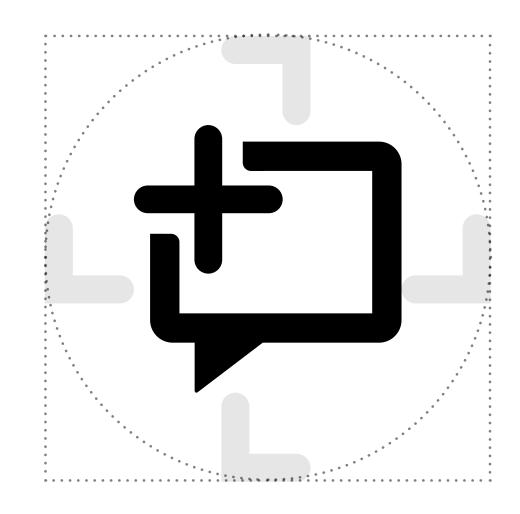


## Logo How to Use

#### **LOGO CLEAR SPACE**



Always be sure to leave adequate space between our logo and surrounding elements. The clear space around the logo should always be equal to or greater than the size of the 'Spought' Icon.



The clear space around the icon should always be equal to or greater than the size of a corner of the plus (+) sign.

## Logo How to Use

#### **LOGO READBILITY**

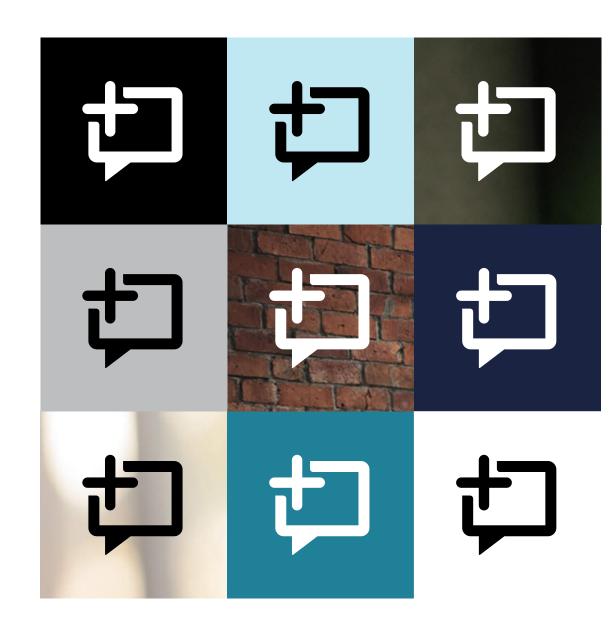
Our logo commonly appears on solid colors, textures, and content. Proper contrast ensures logo readability.



White Logo: Should be used on darker colors, textures, and content that have enough contrast.



**Black Logo:** Should be used on lighter colors, textures, and content that have enough contrast.



The 'Spought' Icon color contrast should be treated with the same care as the Logo.

## Logo How to Use

#### **LOGO MISUSE**

Maintaining the consistency and integrity of the Logo is essential to our brand. Always use the original artwork created by ThoughtExchange. Below is a non-exhaustive list of ways the Logo should not appear



#### Do not modify or distort the logo in anyway, including:

×	ThoughtExchange	<b>DO NOT</b> change the opacity of the Logo.
×	ThoughtExchange	<b>DO NOT</b> change the color of the Logo.
×	ThoughtExchange	<b>DO NOT</b> change the size ratio between the Icon and Logotype.
X	ThoughtExchange	<b>DO NOT</b> use drop shadows or any other effect to the Logo.
×	ThoughtExchange	<b>DO NOT</b> change the typeface of the Logotype.



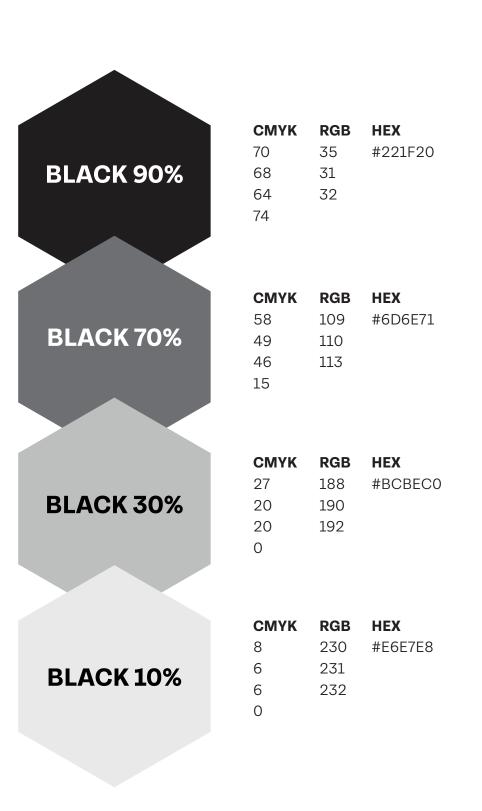
### **Color Palette**

#### **PRIMARY**



#### **SECONDARY**

DARK BLUE	<b>CMYK</b> 84 39 33 5	<b>RGB</b> 31 128 152	<b>HEX</b> #1F8098
BLUE 70%	<b>CMYK</b> 53 1 10 0	<b>RGB</b> 107 202 225	HEX #6BCAE1
BLUE 50%	<b>CMYK</b> 38 0 7	<b>RGB</b> 149 217 234	<b>HEX</b> #95D9EA
BLUE 30%	<b>CMYK</b> 23 0 4 0	<b>RGB</b> 192 232 242	<b>HEX</b> #C0E8F2
<b>BLUE 10%</b>	<b>CMYK</b> 7 0 1 0	<b>RGB</b> 234 247 251	HEX #EAF7FB



## **Color Accessibility**



# Cut through the noise.

**CONTRAST RATIO** 21:1

NORMAL TEXT

WCAG AAA PASS

**LARGE TEXT** 

WCAG AAA PASS

White on Black is fully accessible.



# Cut through the noise.

**CONTRAST RATIO** 8.58:1

NORMAL TEXT

WCAG AA PASS

WCAG AAA PASS

WCAG AA PASS

WCAG AAA PASS

Blue on Black is fully accessible.



# Cut through the noise.

**CONTRAST RATIO** 6.24:1

**NORMAL TEXT** 

WCAG AA PAS

WCAG AAA FAIL

LARGE TEXT

WCAG AAA PASS

Blue on Navy is mostly good, watch small sizes.



# Cut through the noise.

**CONTRAST RATIO** 

8.58:1

NORMAL TEXT

WCAG AA PASS

WCAG AAA PASS

**LARGE TEXT** 

WCAG AAA PASS

Black on Blue is fully accessible.



# Cut through the noise.

**CONTRAST RATIO** 2.44:1

**NORMAL TEXT** 

WCAG AAA FAIL

WCAG AAA FAIL

**LARGE TEXT** 

WCAG AA FAI

WCAG AAA FAIL

Blue on White is not accessible, do not use.



# Cut through the noise.

**CONTRAST RATIO** 

1.31:1

**NORMAL TEXT** 

WCAG AAA FAIL
WCAG AAA FAIL

**LARGE TEXT** 

WCAG AAA FAIL
WCAG AAA FAIL

Blue on Black 30% is not accessible, do not use.



# Cut through the noise.

**CONTRAST RATIO** 2.08:1

**NORMAL TEXT** 

WCAG AAA FAIL

**LARGE TEXT** 

WCAG AAA FAIL

Blue on Black 30% is not accessible, do not use.



# Cut through the noise.

**CONTRAST RATIO** 6.24:1

NORMAL TEXT

WCAG AAA FAIL

**LARGE TEXT** 

WCAG AAA

WCAG AAA PASS

Dark Blue on White is mostly good, watch small sizes, we use this color combination for hyperlinks on the web.

## Typography

X-Light X-Light Italic

Light

Light Italic

Regular

Regular Italic

Medium

Medium Italic

**Bold** 

**Bold Italic** 

X-Bold

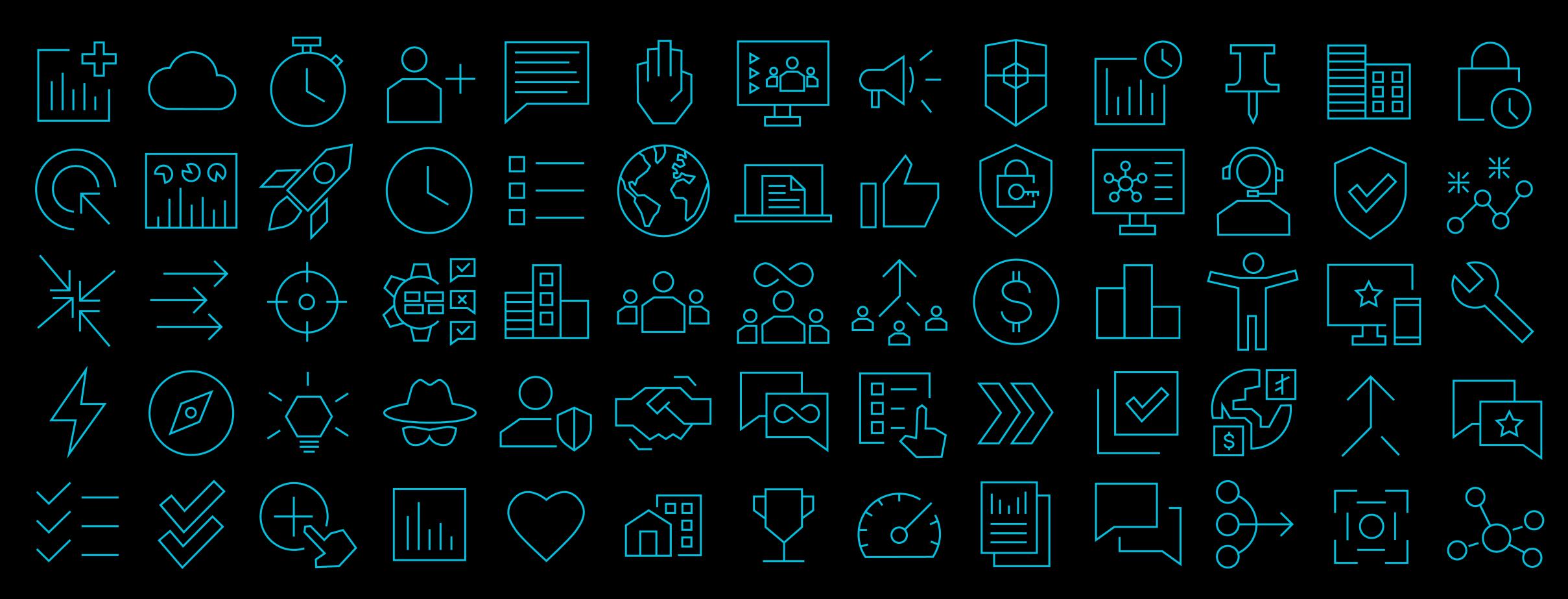
X-Bold Italic

The **Tenon** font family is available for licensing through <u>Signal Type Foundary</u> and <u>Adobe Fonts</u>.

If the **Tenon** font family is not available, use **Helvetica** or **Arial**.

## Iconography

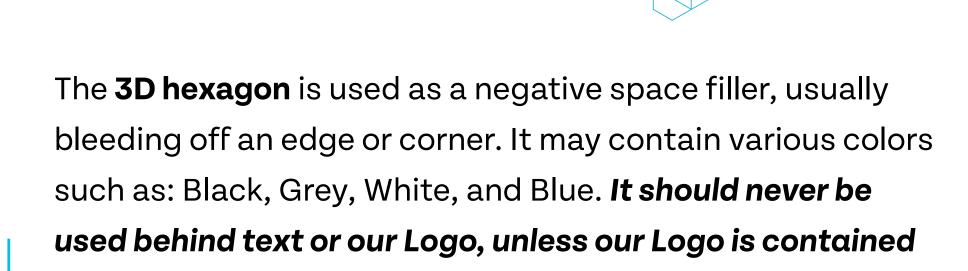
A custom made set of line icons are used in Blue, Black, and White.



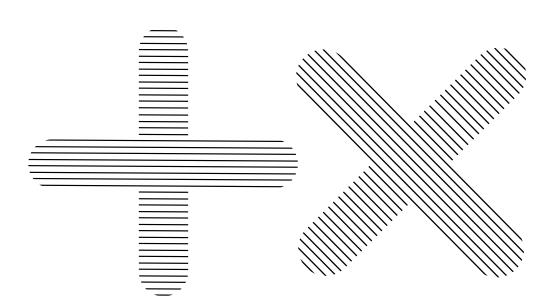
## **Vector Shapes**

You can see how these shapes are used on Application Examples, Page 16.

inside one hexagon.



The hexagon web is used as a negative space filler, usually bleeding off an edge or corner. It should never be used behind text or our Logo.



The **+x graphic** is used as a negative space filler, usually bleeding off an edge or corner.

The **hexagon** is the primary shape used in various ways across our brand.

Diagonal lines are used as a texture behind shapes, images and text. Be sure to always place a solid color box behind text to ensure proper readbility. It should never be used behind our Logo.



## Illustration

This organic flat illustration style is also used as another visual option. It's a versatile design element that allows customization to suit any topic or vertical. Illustrations can be used as stand-alone elements or to complement photography, but these elements should never overlap.





## **Application Examples**





