



The Rembrandt Database

Guidelines for digitization for *The Rembrandt Database*

The Rembrandt Database does not impose standards, but encourages partner institutions to digitize documentation at the highest possible quality, given the availability of in-house equipment and budget. With the exception of X-ray films we generally follow the FADGI guidelines for digitization (<http://www.digitizationguidelines.gov/>).

File format

All image files to be presented in The Rembrandt Database should be delivered as tiff. All written text files should be delivered as (searchable) pdf.

X-ray films

X-ray films need to be individually digitized in 600 ppi (16 bits) in grayscale and stored as tiff file. When you make a stitch of the x-ray films, use a grey tone (around 200 in Photoshop) for possible small gaps between films.

Sending and storing the files

All files that are to be presented online have to be transferred to the RKD. Depending on the amount of files, the transfer can be done by ftp server, during a meeting, or by sending an external hard disk by regular (secured) mail.

The RKD will store a copy of all digital files presented on The Rembrandt Database website.