

# KOHL'S PHOTO & VIDEO STYLE GUIDE

BEAUTY

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**KOHL'S**

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## OBJECTIVE

The purpose of this deck is to establish Kohl's photography standards and to outline specific requirements with regards to vendor-supplied photography.

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## IMAGE SPECS

### Image File Specifications:

- Imagery must be professionally styled, lit, captured, and retouched.
- **Photography only.** Illustrations or renderings are not acceptable.
- **On-Fig File Dimensions:** We request that images be cropped square, at a minimum of 3000 x 3000 pixels, (10''x 10'' @ 300 PPI) with product filling 85% of frame. 50-200 pixel border around the product (@ no more than  $\frac{3}{4}$  of an inch from the edge of the product to the edge of the canvas). Any lifestyle images should also be cropped 3000 x 3000 pixels, (10''x 10'' @ 300 PPI), but with no border.
- **Off-Fig File Dimensions:** We request that images be cropped square, at a minimum of 2000 x 2000 pixels, (10''x 10'' @ 200 PPI) with product filling 85% of frame. 50-200 pixel border around the product (@ no more than  $\frac{3}{4}$  of an inch from the edge of the product to the edge of the canvas). Any lifestyle images should also be cropped 2000 x 2000 pixels, (10''x 10'' @ 200 PPI), but with no border.
- **File Color Space:** sRGB or Adobe RGB
- **Acceptable File Formats:** JPEG, TIFF (Other formats will be auto rejected by K-link).
- **Product Selection:** Accurate path/channel selection of product must be included with every file.
- **Background:** Unless otherwise specified, background should be white (RGB 255). Certain departments require grounding shadow.
- **Accuracy:** Image must accurately represent the product.
- **Quality:** Product must be clear and in focus at 100% magnification. All product imagery is to be captured according to the Kohl's-approved lighting, set and styling guides, and must include appropriate additional views (ALTs)
- No added graphics to any MAIN view. This includes emblems, awards or badges, action graphics, or image insets (unless specifically requested).

## IMAGE FILE NAMING REQUIREMENTS

### Image File Naming Requirements:

- Vendor name and Kohl's dept. number will now be prepended to filenames automatically upon upload.
- File names should be divided into parts by underscores where applicable (see chart below)
  - Vendor style number
  - Vendor color name
  - Alternate image identifier (ALT1, ALT2, ALT3, etc)
  - **Main View:** VendorName\_DepartmentNumber\_StyleNumber\_ColorName\_MAIN
  - **Additional Views (ALTs):** VendorName\_DepartmentNumber\_StyleNumber\_ColorName\_ALT1 (ALT2, ALT3, etc.)
  - **Dimensions View:** VendorName\_DepartmentNumber\_StyleNumber\_ColorName\_DIMS
- All accurate imagery should be loaded to K-link at the same time upon initial setup. However, if the need arises to replace or append existing imagery, load via K-link with the following file appends:
  - Use "ALT\_Add" at the end of your file name to assist in identifying that this product is already live and this is an additional image being added to the product page.
  - Use "ALT\_Replace" or "Main\_Replace" to indicate we should be overwriting existing imagery.

## VIDEO SPECS

### **Product Video Content Requirements:**

- Video should be educational, product-focused and speak only to the features and benefits of that specific product. Any visible props should be unbranded and not detract from the main product being sold.
- Video should be sharp, clear and produced by a professional.
- Video should not contain any speech or gestures that may be considered offensive.
- Video should not contain references or links to: websites, pricing, date information, competitors or accessories not sold with that specific product.

### **File Format and Requirements:**

- Video files must be in an uncompressed format.
- File format: .MP4 or .MOV not exceeding 100MB.  
Minimum size of 1280x720 (16:9) aspect ratio is required.

## LIGHTING DIRECTION

On figure lighting is bright, crisp, open and front lit.

Lighting for Omni off-figure product should come from a soft source either left or right to reveal shape and texture while providing a soft grounding shadow.

The images within this style guide are reflective of lighting expectations. How it is achieved may vary, but please note that the end result must match.

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## USAGE

All assets are for Omni Channel use and therefore must meet the following usage standards: 2 Years Unlimited Print & Electronic Media for use by Kohl's and Kohl's Affiliates for the life of the product.

It is imperative that ALL propping of on-figure fashion photography MUST be with Kohl's merchandise. This includes all tops, bottoms, shoes and accessories. Use of non-Kohl's merchandise or improper/unmanaged talent usage poses legal risks and will be prohibited.

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## CASTING REQUIREMENTS

Please refer to the separate guides for "[Vendor Casting Diversity Expectations](#)," as well as "[Hair & Makeup and Model Casting Expectations](#)," for all on-figure photography, and adhere to the guidelines detailed therein.

## KOHL'S CONTENT CAPTURE SERVICES

Our mission is to deliver engaging, on-brand photo and video content that meets Kohl's brand standards. Kohl's Creative Services and Photo Studio can provide photo and motion assets for our vendor partners.

### **Benefits to Kohl's Capture:**

- Head to toe Kohl's sold product, including prop items
- Seasonally relevant merchandise
- Diverse model casting pool
- Consistent creative that aligns with Kohl's brand style guidelines
- Elevated creative services inclusive of:
  - Optimal talent rates
  - Extensive multi-channel usage
  - Easy asset delivery within Kohl's internal system
  - Consistent taxonomy/metadata

**Interested in learning more about Kohl's Creative Services capturing your PDP content?**

Please contact [Heather.Filippelli@kohls.com](mailto:Heather.Filippelli@kohls.com) for more information.



# MAKEUP

**GENERAL STYLING AND CAPTURE NOTES:**

- All products should be styled, lit, and angled as shown in the examples provided.

**GENERAL RETOUCHING NOTES:**

- All products for this category should be blocked out.
- Product should be placed on a pure white (RGB 255) background, with no grounding shadows or surface reflections. Retouch as shown in examples provided.

**GENERAL CROPPING NOTES:**

- All images should be cropped square and tight to product. Product should proportionally fill at least 85% of frame. Do not leave more than a 50-200px cushion from longest edge of product to frame edge (model/ mannequin cropping should mimic examples shown if applicable).

**ALTERNATE IMAGE PLAN:**

- Follow alternate image cadence shown here.
- If there are additional alternate images needed to cover special details, number sequentially beginning with next alternate image number.
- Upload all required, recommended, lifestyle, and educational imagery for each style at the same time.
- For educational alternate images, font size should be a minimum of 12 point font with font choice being a simple serif or sans-serif font. Units of measure and text referenced in imagery must align with copy attributes provided.

**GENERAL FILE TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS:**

- Minimum of 2000x2000px
- Flattened TIFF or JPEG (PNG is not accepted)
- sRGB color space or Adobe RGB

**VIDEO:**

- Additional video content is encouraged for all items and categories. Suggested video types: educational and features.

**MAIN -**  
out of package-  
open  
(required)

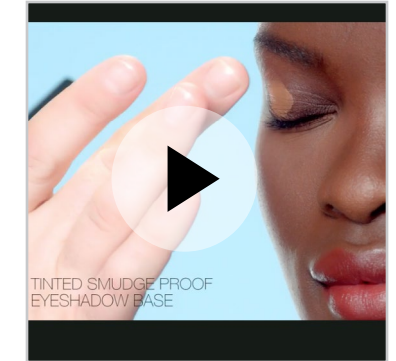
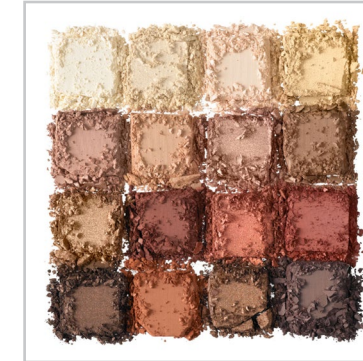
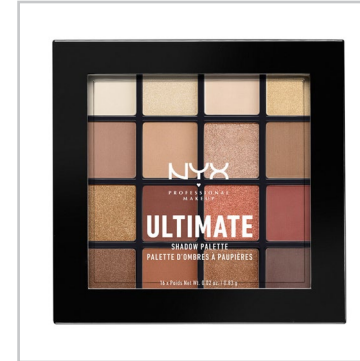
**ALT -**  
out of package-  
closed  
(required)

**ALT 2 -**  
smudge/detail  
(recommended)

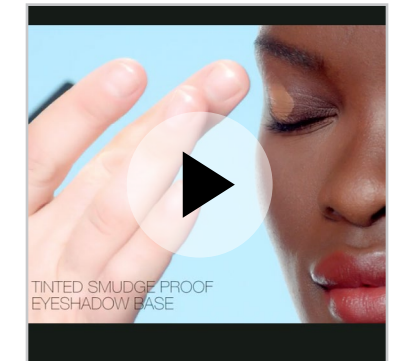
**ALT 3 -**  
on model  
(recommended)

**VIDEO**  
educational  
(recommended)

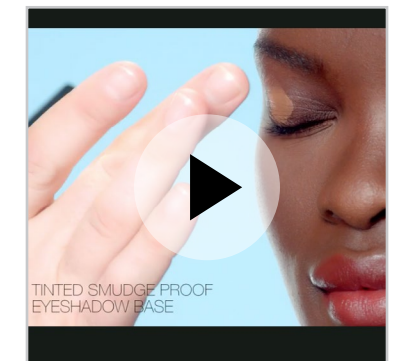
Compact



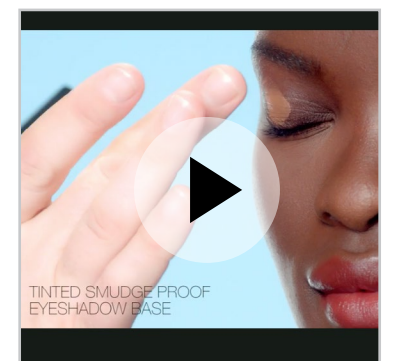
Pencil



Mascara



Lip



# BEAUTY & NAIL CARE

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- If the main image is a Lifestyle shot, prop in alignment with category needs and focus on main product being featured. Use examples shown as guide for styling.
- If the main image is an unpropped product-only image or minimally propped on primarily white background, it should be styled and mimic examples shown.

## GENERAL RETOUCHING NOTES:

- If main images is an unpropped product-only image or minimally propped on primarily white background, retouch background to pure white (RGB 255). Mimic examples shown as to whether or not to hold grounding shadow.

## GENERAL CROPPING NOTES:

- If the main image requires a lifestyle, propped or unpropped image, crop as shown here.
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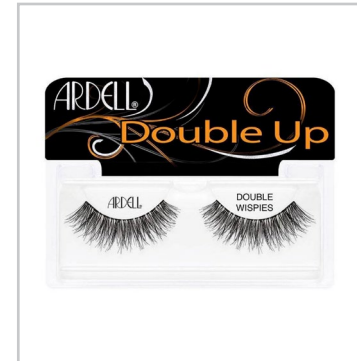
**MAIN -**  
front view  
(required)

**ALT -**

**ALT 2 -**  
on model  
(recommended)

**VIDEO**  
educational  
(recommended)

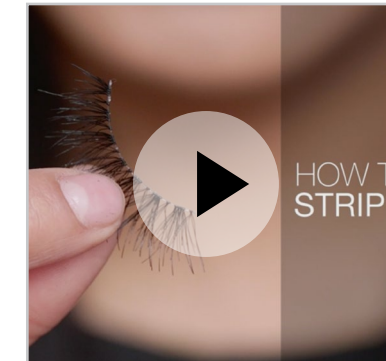
**False Eyelashes**



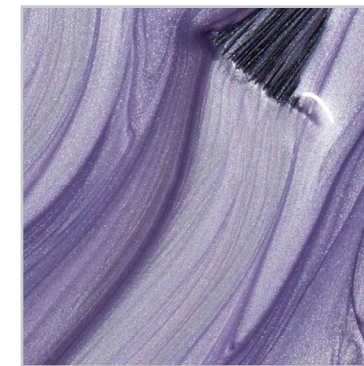
in package



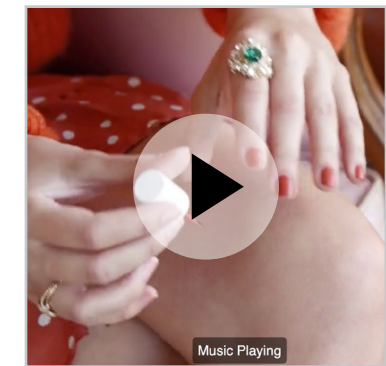
out of package -required



**Nail Polish**



smudge -recommended



**Nail Care**



in package



out of package -required

none

none



# BEAUTY GIFT COLLECTIONS

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### Gift Sets

**MAIN -**  
front view  
(required)



in package

**ALT -**  
(required)



out of package

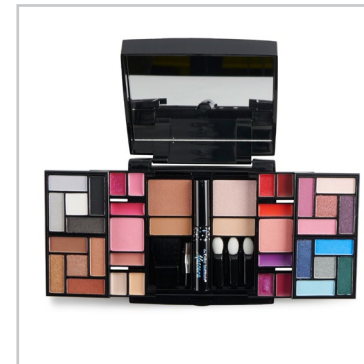
**ALT 2 -**  
smudge/detail  
(recommended)



**VIDEO**  
(recommended)



### Makeup Case



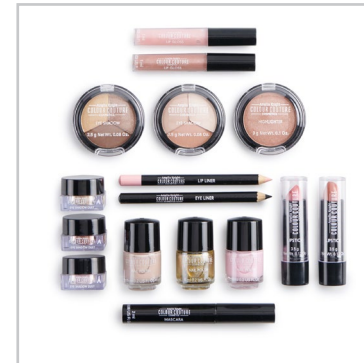
open



in package



### Makeup Set



out of package



in package



### Kids Beauty



in package



out of package

none

none

# FRAGRANCE

## GENERAL STYLING AND CAPTURE NOTES:

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## VIDEO:

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**MAIN -**  
out of package  
(required)

**ALT -**  
product w/package  
(required)

**ALT 2 -**  
ingredients  
(recommended)

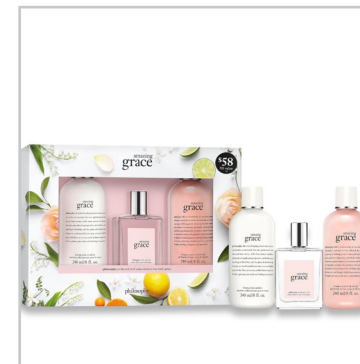
Single Fragrance



Fragrance Set  
solid box



Fragrance Set  
window box





# HAIR CARE TOOLS

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**MAIN -**  
front view  
(required)

**ALT -**  
lifestyle  
(required)

**ALT 2 -**  
(recommended)

**ALT 3 -**  
in package  
(required)

**VIDEO**  
educational  
(recommended)

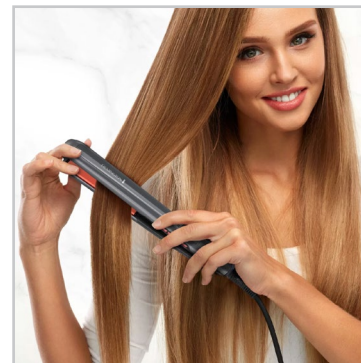
**Hair Tools**



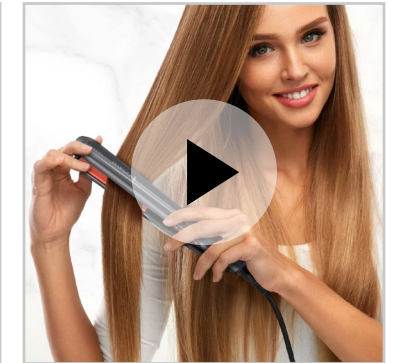
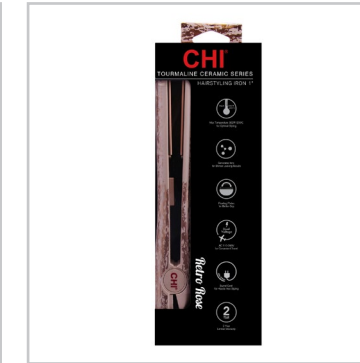
back of brush



**Electric Hair Tools**



profile



# PERSONAL CARE DEVICES

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front view  
(required)

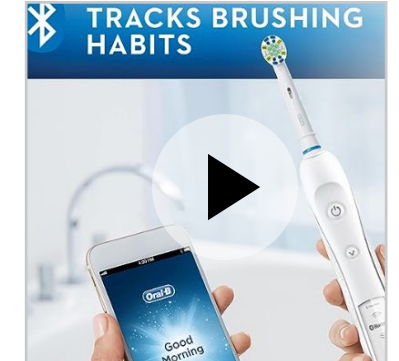
**ALT -**  
lifestyle  
(required)

**ALT 2 -**  
back view  
(recommended)

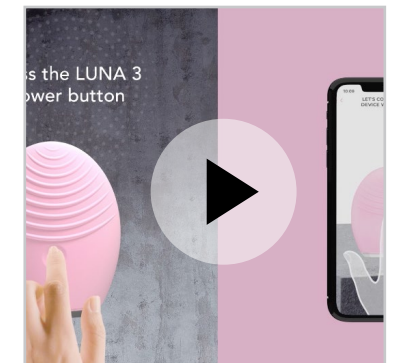
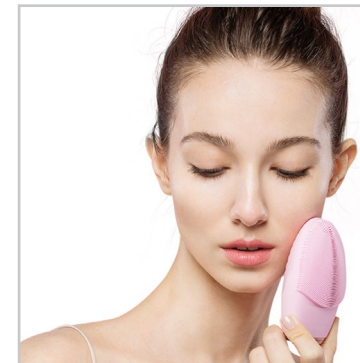
**ALT 3 -**  
in package  
(recommended)

**VIDEO**  
educational  
(recommended)

**Electric  
Devices**



**Skin Care  
Devices**



**Beauty  
Devices**

