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## Quality Control Check

We fail images submitted to us for a number of reasons; below we have listed some of the most common QC failure reasons and included some examples so you can spot the issues with your images. Here are some example failure reasons and images.

Name	Description	Image Example	Image Example (100 %)
<b>Blemishes – Dust, scratches or sensor dust</b>	Small dark circles/ marks noticeable in areas of flat color and skies	 A photograph of purple thistles against a blue sky with white clouds. Several small, dark, circular spots are visible on the sky, representing dust or sensor noise.	 A clean, clear photograph of a blue sky with a bright sun in the upper right corner, showing no visible dust or artifacts.
<b>Camera shake</b>	Blurred or soft image giving the impression that the camera moved when the photo was taken	 A photograph of a basketball player in a white jersey holding a basketball, looking up at a basketball hoop. The image is noticeably blurred, particularly in the player's face and the hoop, indicating camera movement during the shot.	 A sharp, clear photograph of a basketball player's arm and hand holding a basketball, with a basketball hoop visible in the background. The image is in focus, showing fine details of the player's skin and the texture of the ball.

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<p><b>Chromatic aberration or color fringing</b></p>	<p>Magenta, cyan fringing particularly noticeable on wide angle shots</p>		
<p><b>Color cast</b></p>	<p>This is caused by having an incorrect white balance</p>		
<p><b>Excessive sharpening</b></p>	<p>Double edges or artifacts, don't sharpen, leave it to the customer</p>		
<p><b>Noise</b></p>	<p>Excessive noise is discouraged. Shoot at low ISO level as possible</p>		

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<p><b>Noticeable retouching</b></p>	<p>Retouching is obvious in the image when viewed at 100%</p>		
<p><b>Out of focus</b></p>	<p>No point of focus, or out of focus when we feel it's not artistically intended to be</p>		
<p><b>Over manipulated</b></p>	<p>Posturized, "blocky" or distorted/unrealistic colors</p>		
<p><b>Soft due to size</b></p>	<p>Caused by over increasing the size of an image</p>		

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<b>Soft or lacking definition</b>	Marked difference in definition between low-res comp & when viewed at 100%		
<b>Border</b>	We don't want borders		
<b>Orientation</b>	Make sure your image is the right way up		
<b>Size</b>	Uncompressed (opened) file size needs to be 17MB or more		
<b>Unsuitable material</b>	Images which contain (but not limited to) glamour, pornography & infringement of rights of any third party		
<b>Watermark</b>	No need to add your own; we'll add our Pixmama watermark once the image goes on sale		
<b>No metadata</b>	We need all images to contain valid camera data		