# Frequently asked Questions

**Q**: Could I originally draw on Photoshop, then place it on Illustrator and use the in-built tracing tool to vectorized it? Cause drawing on Illustrator is unfamiliar/relatively time consuming to me.

**A**: No we can't. Unfortunately, 1. draw strokes in Illustration or any similar vector drawing software, and 2. strokes need to be single path with variate thickness are two mandatory requirements to us. So, we need you to draw everything in illustrator with vector path, but beside that, feel free to use any tool and method to clean up rough sketch.

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**Q**: Do you have any desired tool configuration such as: thickness of the brush strokes, brush type, etc. ?

**A**: No, we don't. Feel free to choose any configuration that is good for you.

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**Q**: Am I supposed to include shadows myself in the clean-ups, if the sketch doesn't have them?

**A**: No, you can't. We can only include shadows or hatching if the rough sketch has them.

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**Q**: It is time-consuming to get a perfect end points aligned at junctions. Is the 'Best junction examples' a mandatory requirement for all cleaned sketches?

**A**: In principle Yes, please keep the junction points in the cleaned sketch as close as possible.

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**Q**: What drawing software and what version of it is the most preferable?

**A**: We don't have requirement on the software or the version of it. You can choose the tool that is good for you to draw those clean sketches

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**Q:** Can Pen Tool, Rectangle Tool, Ellipse Tool…etc. be used for specific parts of the sketch, for more regular shapes?

**A:** Generally Yes, as long as the stroke is still saved as a path, not extended to the shape of stroke, and it will not violate "DO NOT ITERATE" principle.

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**Q:** Can I increase the contrast of raster images in Photoshop because they do not show well in some sketches?

**A:** Yes, feel free to adjust the rough sketch so that can help you do a better cleanup.

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**Q:** Is it necessary to vectorize the text from the raster rough sketch as well?

**A:** No, please ignore any text in the rough sketch.

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**Q:** Can I use brushes without pressure sensitivity?

**A:** It depends on if the stroke of rough sketch have an obvious thickness variation. If Yes, then the Answer is: it is better NOT. Cleanup with pressure sensitivity ON could keep the stroke in cleaned sketch have the same thickness variation as the rough one, which is also a necessary information for us. However, you can also draw a cleaned sketch with fixed stroke width and then manually adjust them to different size if you think it could reflect the original author intention of this sketch better.

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**Q:** Do the shadow lines have to be neat (equal, at the same angle, at the same distance) or can the sketch be followed?

**A:** No, you can freely use any type of strokes to draw shading areas, as long as the over all shading area is same as the rough sketch.

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