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Answers to InDesignSecrets podcast episode #69's Quizzler:

“How many ways can you add a CMYK color to the Swatches panel without opening the Swatches panel itself (or its fly-out menu)?”

We announced the winning entry in Podcast #70. The Quizzler winner, James Fritz, included items 1–23 in the answers below (some have been combined into one entry). Answer #24 was mentioned in other entries. Many entrants mentioned using scripts or plug-ins as well, but we didn't include these for the purposes of deciding on a winner.

Want to add to this list or discuss them? Post a comment in Episode 70's Show Notes page, here: <http://indesignsecrets.com/indesignsecrets-podcast-070.php> or e-mail us at info@indesignsecrets.com.

1. Use the Eyedropper to select a color from a picture in your layout, then right click on the fill color and choose Add to Swatches.
2. Use the Eyedropper to select a color from a picture in your layout, then assign a keyboard shortcut to add unnamed colors to swatches
3. Use Quick Apply for new color swatch
4. Use Quick Apply for load swatch
5. Create a keyboard shortcut for new color swatch
6. Create a keyboard shortcut for load swatch
7. Import ID tagged text that has a paragraph style with a custom color
8. Import ID tagged text that has a character style with a custom color
9. Use the Color picker to pick a color and choose Add to Swatches.
10. Use the Color panel and right- click on a color and choose Add to Swatches
11. Pick a color with the Color panel, in the panel menu choose Add to Swatches
12. Copy and paste a square with a swatch from one ID document to another.
13. Drag and drop one a square with a swatch from one ID document to another
14. Drag a library item with a CMYK color into your layout
15. Place a snippet with a CMYK color into your layout
16. Have a document with a CMYK color on it and synchronize it to your layout to bring it in.
17. Load a master page into your layout with a CMYK on it.
18. Put a box with a CMYK on a master and then right click on the master (in the Pages panel) and choose move master. Tell it to go to your new document
19. Load a style (paragraph, character, object, cell or table) with a CMYK color into your layout and use it
20. Place an ID file (with a CMYK color) inside an your layout
21. Copy and paste a square with a swatch from Illustrator to ID.
22. Drag and drop a box with a CMYK from Illustrator to ID
23. In Illustrator, drag a box with a CMYK to the desktop to create a picture clipping, then drag and drop that into ID
24. Open a dialog box that allows you to specify a Fill or Stroke color (Paragraph Styles, Character Styles, Object Styles) and double-click on the Fill or Stroke icon. Mix a new CMYK color in the resulting dialog box and click the Add (to Swatches) button.