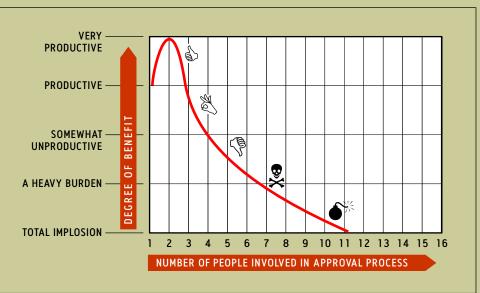


THE TWO CHARTS OF DOOM

POPULATION CONTROL IN THE MARKETING PROCESS

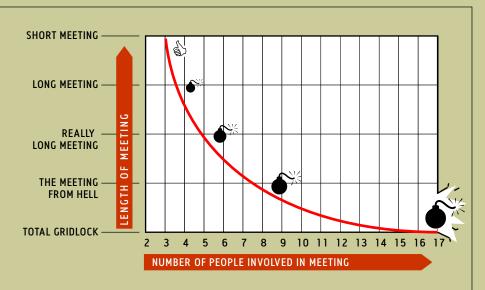
THE OVER-POPULATED APPROVAL PROCESS

The approval process is a time to consider harsh population control. As the number of people involved in approving some or all of a project increases, the ability to get the project finalized and to the printer or elsewhere steadily decreases. Cut from the process anyone who is not critical. (Although never bypass a good proofreader.)



THE LENGTH-OF-MEETING INVERSE GOAL REVERSAL NULLIFICATION PROCESS

This chart demonstrates the dangers involved in allowing too many people into meetings requiring marketing decisions. The length-of-meeting factor is a reminder of other underlying problems. Many times, long meetings result in watereddown decisions, because placation and compromise begin to replace courage, individuality, and bold ideas.



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