

Easy Steps to a beautiful Door

Professional Result the First Time

Materials Needed

- A. Lini-free cloth
- B. Mineral Spirits
- C. Rubber glove
- D. Masking tape
- E. 4" bristle brush
- F. For acrylic based application: Acrylic-based primer/acrylic latex-based exterior grade paint
- G. For oil-based application: Alkyd-based primer / oil-based exterior grade paint



STEP 1 Apply the Stain



Stir the stain thoroughly to ensure product and color consistency. Using "2" foam brush, apply a liberal coat of stain beginning with any number "1" panel (refer to the diagram shown). Be sure to work the stain well into the embossed grain pattern. All corners and crevices of each work area should also be coated.



STEP 2 Remove the excess Stain



With the cloth provided, remove excess stain from the area coated. Concentrate on wiping the excess stain from the surface, but also allow the stain to accentuated the grain that is embossed in the fiberglass.

STEP 3 Remove Streaks or Lap Marks



Gently brush out streaks or lap marks left behind using "3" bristle brush. Dab brush in the corners or crevices to remove any heavy stain accumulations. Occasionally remove any excess stain from your brush bristles with one of your lint free rags.

STEP 4 Protect With Varnish Finish



Wait at least 8 hours and up to 24 hours or longer depending on drying conditions before topcoating your stained door. (Refer to the instructions on the back of the Varnish label.) Using the 3" bristle brush or equivalent, brush in the direction of the grain. Apply in the same sequence as the stain application. A minimum of 2 coats is recommended and wait for 6 hours between coats. Brushes should be cleaned up with mineral spirits.



Keep in mind as you are staining that it is better to start light on application. If a darker color is desired, apply a second coat of stain as the first. When recoating, allow a minimum of 6 hours or longer depending on conditions. Low temperatures and the high humidity will increase drying time. Clean up with mineral spirits. To avoid spontaneous combustion, soak soiled rags and waste immediately after use, then close metal container.

To Test For Dryness

Tear off 2"-3" piece of sticky transparent tape and tape it to the door. Remove the tape. If stain residue appears on the tape, it is not yet dry.

STEP 1 Surface preparation



1. Lay door horizontally on saw horses or a table.
2. Remove all the hardware and mask off anything you don't want painted, such as glass insert.
3. Wipe the door with mineral spirits to clean any dust or residue from the surface. Allow all mineral spirits to dry from the surface before applying paint.
4. Prime the door by applying the primer with 4" brush in the direction of the wood grain. Follow the manufacturer's directions for drying time before applying topcoat.
5. The primer must be completely dry before applying any finish topcoat.



STEP 2 Painting



1. Apply exterior grade paint with 4" brush in the direction of the grain.
2. All door panels, stiles need to be painted. If applying a second coat, follow the manufacturer's directions for drying time between coats.

CAUTION

1. When applying paint or topcoat, make sure the working area is well ventilated.
2. Keep away from heat and flame as the paint and topcoat are combustible.
3. The paint and topcoat may cause skin and eye irritation. Avoid contact with skin and eyes.
4. Keep out of reach of children.