

PREPARATION FOR FIELD FINISHING:

If staining, a compatible sanding sealer must be used. Follow the manufacturers instructions. Failure to do so will result

in a blotchy finish!!! Your door may not be stain grade, see finishing instructions for details.

- Your Atrium Door must be finished within 30 days after purchase to maintain your warranty.
- The appearance of the field finish is not warranted.
- Be sure the surface being stained is clean and dry.
- Block sand with 220 grit sand paper. Always sand with the grain of the wood. Sanding is necessary to remove all scuffs, scratches, burnishes, raised grain, handling marks, and the effects of exposure to moisture. Be sure you are sanding evenly as stain will accentuate rough areas. Exercise care when sanding to avoid scratching the glass and any hardware that may be installed.
- Remove any excess caulking agent (squeeze out) around the edges of the exposed glass area. Exercise care when cutting the caulking, to avoid scratching the glass.
- Clean surface with tack rag or other appropriate means.
- Test a non-conspicuous area for compatibility with the finish you plan to use.
- Apply the finish immediately after preparation as the finish protects the unit from any natural harmful elements. Failure to do so will cause the wood to absorb moisture causing dimensional changes (warp, telegraphing, etc.) within the wood portion of your unit.

FINISHING INSTRUCTIONS:

- Professional Series Doors have fingerjointed jambs and door edges. These doors are designed and manufactured to be painted. Design Series Doors and Raised Panel Doors have clear door jambs and door edges. These doors are designed and manufactured to be painted or stained.
- Avoid dark stains on surfaces exposed to direct sunlight. Dark stains absorb excessive amounts of heat, which can induce checking, warp, pitch bleed through, and telegraphing. Dark stains also require near perfect preparation.
- Use only high-grade finishing material, and follow the manufacturers instructions. Do not intermix materials from different suppliers.
- Be careful not to apply any stain or paint to the weather stripping or hardware. Paint and stain removers/solvents will harm their finish.

Exterior Painting

On exterior painted units, apply 2 coats of exterior primer followed by at least 2 coats of an exterior 'color' topcoat. Allow adequate drying time and lightly sand between coats. Exercise care when sanding to avoid scratching the glass and any hardware that may be installed. The primer and paint should overlap glass by 1/16".

Exterior Staining

On exterior stained units, apply at least 4 coats of an exterior spar varnish. Allow adequate drying time and lightly sand between coats. Exercise care when sanding to avoid scratching the glass and any hardware that may be installed. The primer and paint should overlap glass by 1/16". Woodgrain Millwork does not recommend staining doors that are being used in an exterior application. If you elect to do so, be advised that periodic refinishing may be required.

Interior painting

Apply 2 coats of primer followed by at least 2 coats of 'color' topcoat. Allow adequate drying time and lightly sand between coats. Exercise care when sanding to avoid scratching the glass and any hardware that may be installed

Interior staining

Apply one or more stain coats followed by at least 3 topcoats consisting of a polyurethane or spar varnish. Allow adequate drying time and lightly sand between coats. Exercise care when sanding to avoid scratching the glass and any hardware that may be installed.

- All edges of the door must be finished, including the top rail.
- Refinishing may be required during the life of your Atrium Door.