Installation Instructions
General Finishing

General & Safety Information

- Wear proper personal protective equipment (PPE) and follow manufacturer guidelines for product use, including ventilation recommendations.
- For best results, finish and allow to dry prior to installation. All Fypon® polyurethane products must be finished within 90 days of installation to maintain warranty coverage.
- In exterior applications on PVC, do not use a coating with a light reflectance value (LRV) below 55%. DO NOT paint QuickRail® products, as it will void their warranty.

Tools / Materials

- Water and mild detergent
- Lint-free rags
- Sandpaper (220-grit recommended for PUR, 1000-grit or finer recommended for PVC)
- Brushes and / or rollers
- Exterior-grade polyurethane- or PVC-compatible filler (depending on substrate material)
- Fypon does not recommend specific products, but the following general guidelines apply:
  - **Painted applications:** Use a high quality acrylic latex paint (exterior-grade for exterior applications).
  - **Stained applications:** Use a high quality oil- or water-based stain (exterior-grade for exterior applications), plus an appropriate topcoat for heavy traffic or exterior applications.

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1) Prepare surface.

If there are light scratches, lightly buff them. For deep scratches, fill with a compatible filler, allow to dry and lightly sand to match the surrounding area, but be careful not to remove the primer. If finishing a wood-grained product, etch in grain to match if desired but DO NOT sand.

Before finishing, clean surface using a clean rag dampened with water and a mild detergent (if necessary). Allow to dry completely. Compressed air can also be used to blow dust out of deep grooves. Prime to match surrounding color. Sherwin-Williams® formulas to match Fypon primers can be found on the right (Figure 1).

Figure 1

Primer Color	White	Oatmeal
Sherwin-Williams Product Type	Resilience Exterior Latex	Resilience Exterior Latex
Sherwin-Williams Product Number	K42W51	K43W00053
Sheen	Flat	Satin
Base	Extra White	Deep Base
Quart Formula	No colorant needed.	W1 - White 4/32, 1/64
		B1 - Black 7/32, 1/64, 1/128 R2 - Maroon 4/32
		Y3 - Deep Gold 15/32, 1/64, 1/128
Gallon Formula	No colorant needed.	W1 - White 18/32
		B1 - Black 31/32, 1/128
		R2 - Maroon 15/32, 1/64
		Y3 - Deep Gold 63/32

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2) Apply finish.

Follow finish manufacturer guidelines. If desired, finish should be applied to a sample piece or less visible area to confirm desired appearance. Paint can be sprayed, brushed, rolled or applied to create the desired appearance or texture. Typically, multiple thin coats are recommended. Stain should be brushed into the grain, cracks and crevices, then in the direction of the grain and blended for a uniform appearance. If a darker shade of the stain is desired, a second coat can be applied after the first coat is dry. Periodically remove excess stain from the brush onto a clean dry rag or shop towel, and tug on the brush to remove any loose bristles.

If finishing a large piece, work in smaller sections, finishing edges first and main visible surfaces last (Figure 2).

3) Test for dryness.

Check for dryness per manufacturer guidelines. Do not proceed to next step until dry.

4) Apply topcoat (if applicable).

Follow finish manufacturer guidelines. Fypon requires topcoat for stained high-traffic, exterior and high UV-exposure applications. Apply in a thin, uniform layer, per manufacturer guidelines. If applying by brush, use the tips of the bristles and use light brush strokes, to prevent bubbling or removing stain.

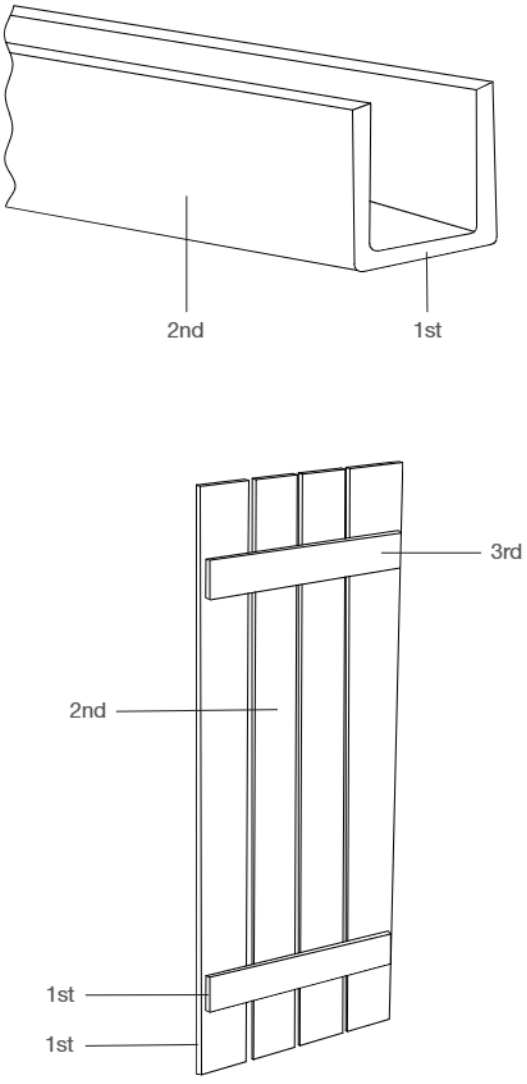
5) Install product.

Allow finish to dry completely prior to installation and refer to product installation instructions.

6) Maintain finish.

Reapply topcoat or refinish as necessary, if existing finish is beginning to fade or feels rough to the touch. Frequency will depend on the finish product, exposure and conditions.

Figure 2



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