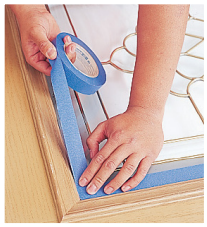
STAINING GUIDE

MATERIALS NEEDED:

A. Pre-Mixed Stain (1/2 pint)
B. Mineral Spirits (4 fl. oz.)
C. Top Coat/Sealer (20 fl. oz.)
D. Two Clean Cloths
E. One Pair Protective Gloves
F. 3˝ China Bristle Brush
G. Two Stir Sticks
H. Two Skin Samples
I. Finishing Instructions



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 stained, such as the glass insert.
3. DO NOT SAND WOOD GRAINED FIBERGLASS.
4. Wipe the door with mineral spirits to clean any dust or residue from the surface. Allow door surface to dry completely before applying stain.

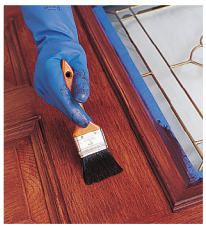
STEP 2: STAIN APPLICATION

FIRST COAT

1. Starting at the center of the door, stain one to two panels at a time. Apply stain with a 3" to 4" soft bristle brush or rag. Apply enough stain to fill the door grain.
2. With a clean, lint-free 24 x 24 inch cloth, softly wipe the surface until you reach your desired tone. Tip: When the rag becomes saturated with stain, re-fold to work with a less-saturated section. Be sure to use the same rag for the whole door.
3. After all the stain is brushed evenly you may add finishing touches by using a small 1" to 2" brush or cotton swabs.

SECOND COAT (IF DESIRED)

1. Allow the door to dry for at least 48 hrs. between coats.
2. Repeat steps 1-3, under first coat, for the second coat.



STEP 3: PROTECTIVE TOP COAT

Application of polyurethane top coat with UV inhibitors like ZAR™ Exterior polyurethane, Wood Kote® Flagship UV, or Minwax® Fast Drying Polyurethane for exterior applications

1. After stain has completely dried (48 hours), mix the top coat well and apply evenly using a clean dry 2" soft bristle brush or 3" foam brush. Be sure to stop when the grain changes direction.
2. Apply two or three coats of finish, allowing at least 24 hours of drying time between each application.

NORMAL MAINTENANCE

Even a well-finished fiberglass door will be affected by exposure and weathering from sun, moisture, and air pollutants. It is considered normal maintenance to re-apply the topcoat approximately every two years.

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PAINTING GUIDE · WOOD GRAIN FIBERGLASS

MATERIALS NEEDED:

A. Lint-free cloth
B. Mineral Spirits
C. Rubber gloves
D. Masking Tape
E. 4” Bristle Brush
F. For Water-base Application: Acrylic-based primer* / acrylic latex-based exterior grade paint.

*We recommend using ‘Sherwin-Williams PrepRite® Bonding Primer’ with compatible acrylic-latex paint for optimal paint adhesion.

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2. Remove all the hardware and mask off anything you don’t want painted, such as the glass insert.
3. DO NOT SAND WOOD GRAINED FIBERGLASS.
4. Wipe the door with mineral spirits to clean any dust or residue from the surface. Allow acetone to dry from the surface before applying paint. Do not use hydro-carbon based solvents to clean the surface as such products may leave a residue.
6. Apply primer with a 4” brush beginning with the panels. Follow the manufacturer’s instructions for drying time before applying topcoat. Continue to apply the primer to ALL 6 sides. Doors which have been bored and mortised for hardware should be primed inside of the lock bore as well.
7. The primer must be completely dry before applying the topcoat.

STEP 2: PAINTING

1. Apply exterior grade paint with 4” brush beginning with the panels.
2. It is common practice to paint both stiles the same color as the exterior side of the door. If applying a second coat, follow the manufacturer’s instructions for drying time between coats.
3. Continue to apply the top coat to ALL 6 sides. Doors which have been bored and morticed for hardware should be finished inside of the lock bore as well.

CAUTION

1. When using stains, mineral spirits, paints, or other hazardous materials, always read and follow the manufacturer’s instructions. Plastpro, Inc. makes no representations as to the proper use of other manufacturers’ products.
2. When working with paints or solvents, make sure the working area is well ventilated.
3. Keep away from heat and flame as materials may be combustible.
4. Paints or solvents may cause skin and eye irritation. Avoid contact with skin and eyes.
5. Keep out of reach of children.

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PAINTING GUIDE · SMOOTH FIBERGLASS

MATERIALS NEEDED:

A. Lint-free cloth
B. Mineral Spirits
C. Rubber gloves
D. Masking Tape
E. Scotch Brite Pad (Fine) or 320-400 grit sandpaper
F. 4" Bristle Brush
G. For Water-base Application: Acrylic-based primer* / acrylic latex-based exterior grade paint.

*We recommend using 'Sherwin-Williams PrepRite® Bonding Primer' with compatible acrylic-latex paint optimal paint adhesion.

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 the glass insert.
3. Lightly scuff sand the surface with a Scotch Brite pad or fine sand paper.
4. Wipe the door with mineral spirits to clean any dust or residue from the surface. Allow acetone to dry from the surface before applying paint.
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