INTERIOR DOOR STAINING

REQUIRED TOOLS:
Oil-Based Stain, Oil-Based Polyurethane, Sandpaper, Cleaning Rags, Stain Brush, Finish Brush, Drop Cloth

1) Begin by placing the door door only onto two padded saw horses. If the door was part of a door system, remove the frame and all hinge materials before beginning the stain process.

2) Lightly sand all surfaces of your door unit using a fine grit sand-paper. For finishing #220 is recommended.

NOTE: While sanding, try to sand with the grain of the door. Cross sand may show up as lines in the staining process of the door.

3) Also, look for any dried glue or putty especially in the joint areas, if it is not removed by sanding it will affect the finished result.

4) Apply a first coat of oil-based stain, polyurethane, conditioners or primer (oil-based is required) to all six sides of the door and jamb.

NOTE: If you are staining a “Soft” wood, apply a pre-stain wood conditioner to the surface of the door. This will help ensure even stain penetration and reduce streaking and blotching on soft or porous woods such as pine, fir, maple and alder.

5) Remove any excess stain from the door’s surface using a clean rag.

6) When first coat is dry, lightly sand and then clean surface. Once the oil-based primer has properly dried, a latex or water based paint can be applied. Apply at least one finish coat. Allow ample drying time between coats. Make sure to brush in the direction of the woodgrain to ensure that there will not be any cross grain strokes when you are finished.

IMPORTANT: Water-based stain, polyurethane or conditioners are not recommended. Only oil-based stains, polyurethane or conditioners should be used. Apply a minimum of two coats of sealer to all six sides of the door. Carefully follow all paint manufactures preparation and finishing instructions. Do not close the door until the paint is completely dry.

Questions or Concerns: For guest assistance contact MASTERCRAFT® by sending an email to: MastercraftDoorHelp@MidwestManufacturing.com
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