# PAINTING GUIDE



**Materials Required** 

A. Lint-free cloth

**B.** Mineral Spirits

C. Rubber gloves

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: Alkydbased primer/oil-based exterior grade paint



## STEP 1: SURFACE PREPARATION

DO NOT SAND FIBERGLASS

- 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 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.



### NORMAL MAINTENANCE:

By exposure and weathering from sun, moisture, and air pollutants, a well finished exterior fiberglass door will be affected. Normal maintenance is to re-apply the topcoat approximately every two years.

# CAUTION

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

### **FIRST AID**

- 1. If swallowed, wipe out mouth and give 1-2 glasses of water. Call physician or poison center immediately.
- 2. In case of eye contact, immediately flush eyes with water at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention if irritation develops and persists.
- 3. For skin contact, wash thoroughly with mild soap and water. Get medical attention if irritation develops and persists.
- 4. If affected by inhalation, immediately move to fresh air. If symptoms persist, call physician.

NOTE: When using stains, mineral spirits, paints, or other hazardous materials, always read and follow the manufacturer's instructions. Always ensure that the work area is well ventilated, clear of obstructions, and away from open flame, heat or source of spark.