

How to Paint Smooth Skin Doors

Materials Needed:



1. Lint-free cloth
 2. Acetone
 3. Rubber gloves
 4. Masking tape
 5. 4" bristle brush
 6. Scotch Brite Pad (Fine) or 320-400 grit sandpaper
 7. For water-based application: Acrylic 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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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 sandpaper.
4. Wipe the door with acetone to clean any dust or residue from the surface. Allow acetone to dry from the surface before applying
5. 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 morticed for hardware should be primed inside of the lock bore as well.
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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. door 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.

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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