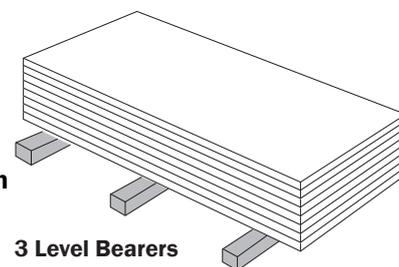


Important Information

It is important you read this leaflet before installing the door. The guidelines below will help ensure the door is fitted correctly and in a suitable environment. **Failure to adhere to the instructions could invalidate any guarantee claims.**

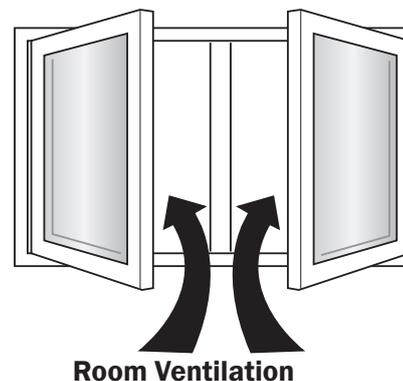
- **Doors must be stored flat on 3 level bearers**
- **Doors must be kept dry at all times**
- **Avoid direct contact with sunlight**
- **Do not install or store the door in newly plastered rooms**
- **Polythene wrapping should remain on the doors until immediately before installation**
- **Check the door for defects and damage before installation, do not install the door if any defects or damage are found**
- **Any door which has been worked on cannot be exchanged, with the exception of a door with a proven manufacturing defect**
- **Doors should be handled carefully with clean gloves and not dragged across each other or other surfaces**
- **All edges and all cut outs must be finished before hanging**



Finishing

The timber components used on the door are dried to specific moisture content during manufacture. Exposure to damp or moist conditions will cause swelling of the components, discolouration and consequent distortion of the door.

- Both faces of this door are painted. To reduce the risk of distortion all edges **MUST** be finished **BEFORE** hanging including cut outs.
- These doors are only suitable for a paint finish.
- You can use water based or solvent based primers, undercoats and paints to finish the door. If using a solvent based finish we recommend the use of a VOC 2010 compliant product. Always follow the primer, undercoat or paint manufacturer's instructions with reference to number of coats and drying times.
- As with all doors, care must be taken to ensure that doors are not installed in buildings immediately after plastering or other wet trades have taken place.



Maintenance & Repairs

Surfaces finished in water borne lacquers will be highly resistant to the rigours of normal use and should usually only need regular light dusting with a soft cloth.

If sticky marks occur on the surface they can be removed with a dilute solution of warm soapy water. The offending area should be rubbed lightly and then completely dried immediately afterwards.

Use of cleaning materials containing abrasive compounds, solvents, acidic or caustic reagents and any bleaches containing oxidising reagents should be avoided as prolonged use may damage the paint surface.

As a general recommendation furniture polishes containing silicones should be avoided as they can contaminate the finish surface and cause problems if the finish ever needs repainting. If scratches or blemishes in the paint surface require repairing, use Howdens colour matched paint.

Installation

- If the door is to be reduced in size, an equal amount of timber should be cut down from either side, top or bottom. **Please note this must never exceed 12mm in total, 6mm each edge, top and bottom.**
- If the door weighs more than 20kgs or is subject to large differences in temperature or humidity on each side (e.g. bathroom or airing cupboard) it should be hung on 3 hinges.
- When fitting a standard core door pay special attention to the position and size of the 'lock block'. This is a solid area 360mm high x 65mm wide, positioned halfway down the door. The word 'LOCK' appears on the top edge of the door to show which edge the 'lock block' is located. Please note if the door is a 'Developer' construction then ironmongery can be fitted either side.

Conditions of Sale

Howdens Joinery will not be held responsible for any incidental work or problems as a result of bad storage, handling or incorrect fitting and finishing of our doors. The foregoing does not affect your statutory rights.