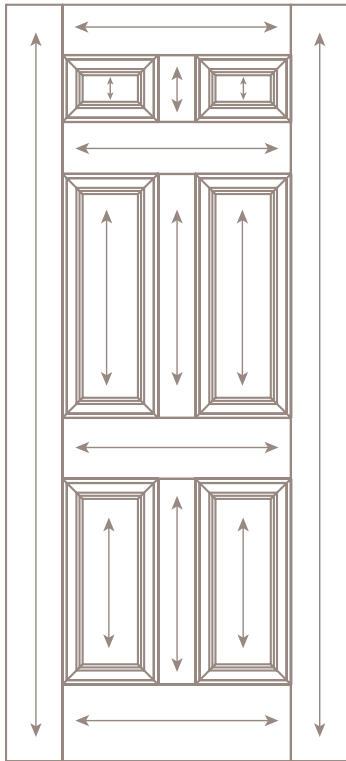


Your SIGNAMARK fiberglass entry door does not require any special stain kits or primer. Just use the same stain or paint you would use to finish your home's other exterior trim. For warranty purposes, if you have purchased an unfinished door (white smooth-skin, or tan woodgrain) you must finish it within 6 months of installation.

**BEFORE YOU BEGIN:** Remove the door from the frame and place it on a raised, flat, level surface. (But leave any attached sidelites in the frame for finishing.) Remove or mask any installed hardware and mask glass to protect it.

**SAFETY PRECAUTION:** Always paint or stain in a well ventilated area. Keep combustible paint, stain and topcoat away from heat and flame. Keep out of reach of children.

## STAIN FINISH



Our fiberglass woodgrain is designed to be stained without the need of sanding. All surfaces of the tan woodgrain door are stainable. Just wipe down with a damp cloth first to remove any oil, dirt or debris, allow to dry and you're ready to stain. Spread stain evenly with a brush or lint-free cloth and work the stain into the surface. Apply the stain in strokes following the direction of the woodgrain, as shown. Lighten the stain finish and remove any excess by wiping the surface with a clean cloth before the stain is fully dry. For a darker finish, apply a second coat of stain after the first one dries, following the stain manufacturer's instructions. After the stain has dried for at least 24 hours, apply three coats of high quality exterior-grade satin or low-gloss polyurethane with ultraviolet (UV) inhibitors as a topcoat. (Again, apply with strokes following the direction of the woodgrain, as shown.) Follow the manufacturer's instructions for drying time between coats.

Note: Always select a high quality stain. We recommend: 1) A water-based stain from Minwax® or Behr®; 2) A gel stain from Minwax® or Olympic®; or 3) An oil-based stain from Ace®, Minwax®, or Zar®. To protect your beautiful finish, make sure your polyurethane topcoat has UV inhibitors.

## PAINTED FINISH

You can use any high quality oil-based exterior paint on both the tan woodgrain and white smooth-fiberglass doors. Do not sand our woodgrain fiberglass door. However, for the smooth doors, we recommend a light sanding with 600-grit sandpaper. Before applying a paint, wipe the door and doorlite frame with a damp cloth to remove any dirt, oil, or debris. Allow the surface to fully dry before painting. For a pleasing look, we recommend painting with strokes in the directions shown (note that for woodgrain doors, this will follow the direction of the grain.) Apply at least two coats of paint, following the paint manufacturer's recommended drying time between coats.

## CARE AND MAINTENANCE

We recommend reapplying a UV topcoat over the existing topcoat every 3-4 years to protect your beautiful entryway investment from harsh weathering. We do not recommend stripping the finish. In locations with severe weather exposure, more frequent maintenance may be required. Repaint your door as soon as deterioration can be detected.