

Painting Instructions for Wood Garage Doors

Coating Specifications and Warranty Information for Overhead Door's Custom – Crafted Wood Garage Doors

Stain Grade Policy:

To comply with the warranty, all five wood edges must be finished using the Sikkens Cetol 1 and Cetol 23 Plus two-step system within 10 days of delivery. Proper application included sanding all boards with 80-100 grid sandpaper (smooth finish only) followed by at least one coat of Sikkens Cetol 1 and two coats of Sikkens Cetol 23 in compliance with Sikkens application Guide (download at <http://www.sikkens.com>). This process applies to both smooth and rough sawn finished doors. Any exposed beaded or V-groove openings that could pocket water should be sealed with silicone or appropriate caulking material after the finish is applied.

DO NOT USE any produce other than the Sikkens 1/23 system, including polyurethane, marine varnish, or other varnishes. They do not reflect ultraviolet light as the Sikkens product does. Conventional spar varnishes or polyurethane finishes form a closed, inflexible film coating that seals the wood, preventing breathing and trapping moisture that can eventually lead to the wood rotting from the inside out.

Although we attempted to use wood of similar tone in each door, boards vary in appearance. This is generally more apparent when they are finished. This variation is one of the features that add to the uniqueness of your door.

Paint or Solid Stain Finish:

Proper application includes sanding all boards with 80-100 grit sandpaper (smooth finish only) followed by coating all five edges with at least one coat of premium exterior primer and two coats of top quality exterior paint or solid stain within 10 days of delivery and prior to outdoor exposure. Any exposed beaded or V-groove openings that could pocket water should be sealed with silicone or appropriate caulking material after the finish is applied.

Coating with paint will provide substantially longer useful life between recoats than solid stain.

Maintenance:

Annually check the door(s)' finish to verify that it is preventing moisture from reaching the wood surface.

Periodic recoating of all five wood door edges with Cetol 23 is essential to maintaining your door(s)' appearance. The time between recoats is generally 2-3 years, but this depends on the door(s)' exposure to sunlight and weather. Doors with little overhang protection from weather and those facing south or southwest (with the most UV exposure) will usually require more frequent recoats. Time between recoats for paint and solid stain will generally be longer than the Cetol stain coating.

Before application of the maintenance coat, always clean and prepare the surface as follows:

1. Spray the surface with clean water to wet the wood.
2. Clean the surface with a solution of 2 ounces Tri-Sodium Phosphate or a phosphate-free substitute plus 1 quart of liquid bleach in 3 quarts of water. Apply this solution with a garden pump sprayer to the surface.
3. Let the solution sit on the wood for 15-20 minutes. Do not let the solution dry on the surface.

4. Power wash the cleaning solution from the surface with clean water. To prevent damaging the wood, do not exceed 500 P.S.I. The nozzle must be a maximum of 1 foot from the surface for full effectiveness.
5. Let the surface dry for 3 good dry days.
6. Proceed with application of the maintenance coat.

Sources:

Sikkens dealers in San Antonio and surrounding areas:

Braundera's Yard and Hardware
9604 Bandera Road
San Antonio, TX 78250
(210)684-6498

Parker & Pape Lumber
155 East Court
Sequin, TX 78155
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These dealers can provide more detailed application information and can recommend painting contractors as well.

Warranty:

Overhead Door Company warranties its covered doors for one year from the date of installation.

QUESTIONS???

Please contact us and we will be happy to assist you.

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