FIELD FINISHING: DOORS

NOTE: Woodtech Trading is not responsible for the appearance of field finished panels or doors. The following information is given to help the field finisher with his responsibilities.

1. STORAGE AND HANDLING

- A. Store flat on an even surface in a dry, well-ventilated building. (Do not store directly on concrete.) Allow air circulation but cover to keep clean. Do not store directly on concrete.
- B. Avoid excessive moisture in building such as wet plaster or cement, etc. where storing doors.
- C. Relative humidity should not be less than 30% or more than 60% in area where doors are stored. Doors should not be subjected to sudden changes in temperature nor should they be subjected to abnormal heat, dryness, or humidity.
- D. Do not drag doors across one another or other surfaces. Wear gloves to handle with clean hands to avoid smudging or staining.

2. PREPARATION

- A. Make sure surface is clean and dry.
- B. Sand with 3/0 or 5/0 sandpaper to remove any raised grain or handling marks. Sand with grain of the wood. Do not use steel wool. Also remove any glue squeeze-out along tapeless spliced glue joints.
- C. Clean surface with tack rag or other means.
- D. Since some veneers react to certain finishes, it is a good idea to test surface with finish.
- E. Apply finish as soon as possible after properly preparing doors.

3. FINISHING (interior)

- A. Make sure that you use only high-grade finishing material and follow exactly the manufacturer's instructions. Do not intermix materials from different suppliers.
- B. Apply seal coat to both faces and four edges and allow to dry thoroughly. Sand lightly with 3/0 or 5/0 sandpaper. The seal coat will allow uniform staining of the veneers when stained or when filler stain is required.

NOTE: THIS STEP IS NECESSARY TO PREVENT STREAKING OR BLOTCHING.

- C. Apply one or more coats of stain or filler stain as required. Allow to dry thoroughly.
- D. Clean surface of all dirt and dust.
- E. Apply two coats of finish for best results. Allow to dry and sand between coats.
- F. Apply finish to both faces and all four edges of doors.
- G. When applying oil finishes only, use a minimum of two coats of the oil on the bare wood and sand between coats.