

General Finishing and Care Instructions

Elevate and Essential Windows and Doors

Painting and Staining

- Finish paint on primed or bare wood windows and doors must be applied immediately following installation and repainted periodically to avoid damage to the wood.
- When applying paint or other finish to windows it is extremely important that you do not paint: weatherstripping or other non-wood parts; hardware, handles, rollers etc.; or any surface which has an abrasive or sliding contact with another surface. Paints, stains, and varnishes contain solvents which cause plastics or vinyls to dry out and become brittle. Once brittle, they will need to be replaced.
- Abrasive cleaners or harsh solutions containing solvents should not be used on Marvin products.
- The exterior surfaces of Elevate wood windows come to you with a low maintenance finish. However the interior must be painted or stained and varnished by carefully following these instructions. Before finishing, bare wood and window and door surfaces must be clean and dry. Remove handling marks, debris, or effects of exposure to moisture by sanding lightly with 220 or 320 grit sandpaper and clean before applying your choice of finish.
- **PAINTING:** Use only a high-quality oil base or latex paint. To provide good adhesion of paint, a compatible prime coat should be applied. Paint with sash or panels open (or removed) and do not close until thoroughly dry. Apply one coat of primer and two coats of top quality paint according to the paint manufacturer's instructions.
DO NOT APPLY PAINT TO THE MARVIN FACTORY PREFINISH WITHOUT FIRST CONTACTING YOUR MARVIN DEALER FOR PROPER INSTRUCTIONS.
- **STAINING:** Prior to staining it may be desirable to apply a wood conditioner to obtain a more even finish. Follow the manufacturer's recommended instructions. Apply stain according to manufacturer's instructions. Apply as many coats as necessary to achieved the desired color. After the stain is thoroughly dry, apply at least two coats of varnish.

Removing Labels from Glass and General Glass Cleaning

Do not remove labels when exposed to direct sunlight. Cleaning agents are not to come in contact with weather strip or finishes.

Approved cleaners can be found at www.marvin.com/support/care-maintenance.

Do not use scrapers for cleaning glass. Glass scratched by a scraper is not covered under the Marvin Window and Door Warranty. Do not clean glass when it is exposed to direct sunlight

1. Soak the label thoroughly with a recommended cleaner. Rub the cleaner into the label with a gentle motion until the adhesive and label are removed.
2. After removing labels and residue, clean the glass in a circular motion, applying light to moderate pressure. using an approved cleaner.

3. Rinse the glass surface immediately with generous amounts of clean water to remove cleaning solution from the glass surface. Using a squeegee or clean lint-free cloth, remove water from the glass surface

4. Start cleaning glass at the top of the building and continue to lower levels using an approved cleaner. Dry all cleaning solution from the window gaskets, sealants and frames.