

Door Care Guide

Composite door maintenance is minimal in comparison to traditional wooden doors but there are a few simple ways of keeping the appearance and functionality of your door in pristine condition.

STEP BY STEP TASKS - MONTHLY

Put a recurring monthly date in your diary reminding you to clean your door, something that should only take a few minutes and is extremely easy to do.

CLEANING YOUR DOOR

- The door frame and door panelling can be cleaned using a soft sponge and warm soapy water, washing up liquid or hand soap.

- Dry the surface with a soft lint free cloth. - After cleaning and drying, you can use white spirit to give the door an added sheen and deeper looking colour if you choose.

- The external glass can be cleaned with traditional glass cleaner. - Avoid using harsh chemicals and solvents. Some of these products have the potential to damage the door skins.

POLISHING THE DOOR HARDWARE

- The handles, letterplate, knocker, hinges and all other door hardware should be given a thorough cleaning with a soft cloth and warm soapy water, washing up liquid or hand soap.

- Never be tempted to use a strong cleaning agent as it may damage the finish of the hardware.

- To remove residue on stainless steel door furniture use a wadding cloth.

STEP BY STEP TASKS - YEARLY

Certain components of a Door (lock, handle, hinges etc) only require your attention once every 12 months to keep the door working as smoothly as when you originally bought it.

LUBRICATING YOUR DOOR

- Begin by opening the door and placing a dust sheet underneath the door, before lubricating all moving parts.

- Apply 3 in 1 oil or silicon spray to the lever handle, cylinder and the multipoint locking mechanism and hinges. You can also add a small amount of grease to the hooks and deadbolt to increase the smoothness of the operation.

- Lift the handles up and down 6 times to ensure that the lubricant works its way through all parts of the mechanism. Alternatively, wind the key several times if you do not have a door with lever handles.

- Those who are extra attentive may want to do this twice a year.

DO NOT

- Slam or allow the wind to slam your door shut.
- Use abrasive / bleach based cleaners.
- Manually engage hooks or locks while door is open
- Paint/Drill/Change your door furniture