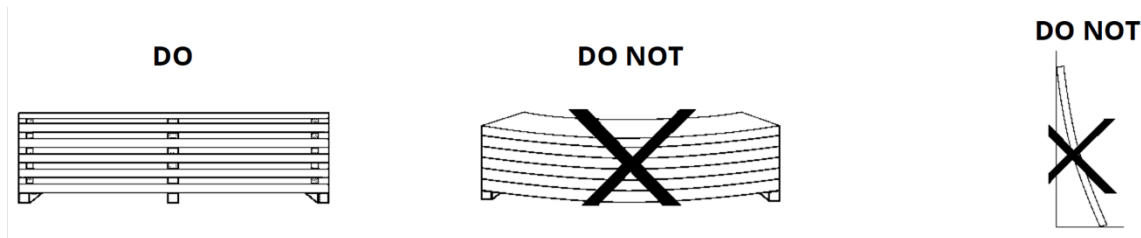


## Exterior Wood Door Handling, Storage and Job Site Instructions

### Storage

- Unfinished doors must not be delivered to the job site until the concrete floor, foundation, and plaster/drywall have been completed and are fully dried. We do not recommend storage at job site.
- Do not subject unfinished wood doors to extreme heat, dryness, or humidity, which can cause significant damage, including panel cracking and veneer checking.
- When storing, do not remove an unfinished door from its packaging until staining. Do not remove a pre-finished door from its packaging until installation.
- We recommend storing wood doors indoors, in a dry, well-ventilated area with a balanced temperature.
- For long-term storage, doors should be stored flat and covered to keep them clean. However, it is important to allow for air circulation.
- Doors should be stored flat, on a piece of level plywood or cardboard, for protection.
- To stack the doors, two 2x4s should be placed 1' from the top and bottom, and one 2x4 should be placed in the middle of the door, between each door.
- Storing doors, especially stacked, without a center support will cause warping in the middle.
- Do not lean doors against a wall, as this causes warping.
- Do not store doors in direct sunlight, as many species of wood are sensitive to sunlight and UV rays.



### Handling

- To avoid damage, treat each door as if it is a piece of furniture
- Unfinished doors must be sealed or finished on all five (front, back, sides, top) sides of the door within thirty (30) days of invoice, as stated in DSA's Standard Warranty.
- Handle doors only with clean gloves and equipment. Handling door with bare hands can leave stains. Caution should be taken to protect the doors from contact with dirt and oil.
- A minimum of two people are required to properly lift and carry a door. Do not drag or slide doors, as this often results in drag marks or chipping.

### Fitting and Hanging Instructions

- When hanging a door, allow for a +/- 1/8" specified clearance to height and width for swelling of the door and frame.
- DSA Doors are made to order and should not be trimmed. Trimming to meet size requirements can change the overall appearance and stability of the door and void the warranty. Please contact DSA before making any alterations.
- When installing hinges and hardware, pre-drill screw holes to prevent splitting.