



GLOBAL **POINTE**

HANDLING & FINISHING GUIDE



CARE & HANDLING

- Doors in warehouse should be stored flat and covered whenever possible.
- Do not expose doors to extreme or rapid changes in temperature or humidity.
- Do not drag doors across the floor; you may splinter the veneers.
- Doors stored on a jobsite must have all surfaces sealed to prevent moisture absorption.

FINISHING PREPARATION

- It is recommended to machine doors prior to finishing or painting.
- Align all door components prior to the finishing process. Wood panels and components float and may become out of alignment during shipping and handling. Using a wood block, carefully tap components back into place being careful not to damage the door during this process.
- All doors must be sanded prior to finishing. Sand the entire surface of the door with an orbital sander using 150 to 180 grit sandpaper. Sand all profile areas using a hand sanding block or sponge. Remember to sand *with the grain*. Some blemishes may not show until *after* stain has been applied, in these cases additional sanding is required to remove these marks and stain needs to be reapplied.
- Natural graining and color variances are prevalent in wood doors and are not considered defects. A wood conditioner is recommended when staining to help minimize these variances. Consult with your coatings supplier for this recommendation.
- All 6 sides of the door must be sealed and finished including the hinge pockets, bores and mortises. Use only high quality paints and finishes that are moisture resistant. Consult your coatings supplier for high quality recommendations.
- When painting or staining glass doors, make sure the glass is completely covered and there are no tears in the protective covering. Remove the protective covering from the glass panels as soon as the doors are dry enough to handle. The protective covering may become more difficult to remove at a later time and may cause damage to the glass. Do not use metal tools or razor blades to remove the protective covering as these may scratch the glass and void the warranty. Consult with your coatings supplier as to recommended cleaners for the Tempered Glass Panels.

