

Recommended Painting Instructions for RediFrame, RediFlex, Slimfold and Hollow Metal

Finish Top Coated Product

Dunbarton does not recommend painting over our top (finish) coat. If you must repaint, the factory top coat must be thoroughly sanded down and primed before applying a top coat. Follow prime painted instruction below for the type of paint to use for top (finish) coat.

Gray Prime Painted Product

Steel doors and frames are provided with a primer paint finish that is intended as a preparatory base for field application of a top (finish) coat of paint. The primer paint coat is not designed to be the final layer of protection. It is intended to provide protection to the steel surface during standard storage, shipping, and installation at the job site and to provide a uniform base for a top (finish) coat of paint. A top (finish) coat of painting is required. It is recommended that the top (finish) coat paint be applied to the doors or frames after installation is completed. It is the responsibility of the end user to maintain the integrity of the finish after installation.

Low gloss oil-based paints are recommended as a finished coat. WE DO NOT RECOMMEND THE USE OF WATER BASED FINISH COATS SUCH AS LATEX or ACRYLIC. However, if any of these materials are used as a finish coat, you should first repaint the door or frame with a primer with rust inhibitors recommended by your paint manufacturer for bare steel. If the frame is not re-primed, all scratches and nicks that expose bare steel will develop rust.

Note: Do not paint when the relative humidity is above 85% or when the dew point is closer than 3 degrees to the ambient air temperature.



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