

A SnickarPer Exterior Door - Care and Maintenance

SnickarPer doors are manufactured from wood. Wood is a living material that is affected by water, sunlight, heat, and cold. In addition, doors are exposed to pollutants present in rain and air. These are factors that cannot be controlled and can only be counteracted through regular maintenance.

The door's location and its exposure to moisture, sunlight, and wind significantly affect its service life. We always recommend that a protective roof or canopy is installed above the door.

Painted Doors

SnickarPer doors are finished with a two-component polyurethane paint system. This provides a hard, durable surface with good moisture resistance. However, the door still requires regular maintenance.

Care and Maintenance

Painted doors must be inspected and cleaned at least twice per year. Clean the surface with a damp cloth.

Any damage or paint cracking must be repaired immediately with new paint to prevent moisture ingress.

Failure to carry out maintenance will void the warranty.

If the paint shows blistering, flaking, or dullness, the door must be repainted (see "Information from paint manufacturer").

The threshold is pre-oiled at the factory. Thresholds must be regularly treated with a clear hardwood oil.

As a preventive measure for painted products, SnickarPer Door Gloss is recommended. Door Gloss can also restore faded or dull surfaces.

The maintenance interval varies significantly depending on location and exposure to weather conditions. When the glossy surface begins to show signs of dullness, it is time for a new treatment.

Before treatment, the door must be cleaned with a mild dishwashing or cleaning detergent. Use a clean sponge to avoid unnecessary scratches or damage to the surface.

All exterior wooden doors must be surface-treated immediately after installation using the oil supplied with the product upon delivery in order for the warranty to remain valid. Thereafter, the door must be maintained regularly. Only then do the warranties apply as stated at delivery.

Repainting

Just like a building façade, a door will eventually need to be repainted. The frequency depends on external conditions such as exposure to weather and wind (see “Information from paint manufacturer”).

If the door has been treated with automotive wax, it must be thoroughly cleaned with hot water before repainting.

Wooden Doors

Wooden doors are factory pre-oiled and must be oiled immediately after installation. The supplied oil is a base treatment intended to facilitate initial installation only.

The door must be oiled until a water-repellent surface is achieved, after which ongoing maintenance is required.

Maintenance of Wooden Doors

Wooden doors must be oiled 2–4 times per year, or more frequently if required. At the first sign of a dry surface, the door must be re-oiled immediately.

Procedure:

- Clean the door and wipe it down with a cloth.
- Lightly sand with fine sandpaper (P120–180) in the direction of the wood grain to remove raised fibers.
- Remove dust from the surface.
- Apply oil until the surface is saturated, slightly oily, and water-repellent. Do not forget the underside and edges of the door leaf, as well as the frame and threshold.
- Wipe off any excess oil.

If necessary, use a pigmented oil. Detailed instructions are available from the oil manufacturer or your local paint retailer.

Please note: oil-soaked cloths may self-ignite and must be handled with care.

To increase service life, the door should be installed under a protective roof.

Doors with veneered surfaces may develop small cracks in the surface layer. This is due to the natural movement of wood as a living material.

These cracks do not affect the function or sealing of the door and are simply a natural characteristic of wood-based materials.

We hope you enjoy your SnickarPer door!