HOW TO STAIN WOODEN PULL HANDLES

Parkwood recommends you apply a coating to ensure your new pull handle lasts the test of time and looks at it's best. While some homeowners may like the appearance of the American Ash timber and may choose to clear coat the handle (with a varnish, lacquer or similar), it's highly likely that you will want to stain your door and handle to match.

While staining your timber handle is a fairly simple process, there are still a few key steps that need to be followed:

- 1. Before you get going, make sure the wood has been dusted off to remove any remnants from the sanding process before you begin.
- 2. Then, once you're ready, apply the stain, Parkwood recommends Sikkens Cetol HLSe as the sealer coat. Using a lint-free cloth, simple dip a small portion of it into the stain start applying it quickly, remembering to start at one end and work your way along, making sure to quickly wipe away any drips with a clean rag.



- 3. Let the stain set and then wipe the handle down with a clean, dry cloth. Repeat if desired, sanding lightly in between each coat. The handle needs to dry for several hours, so make sure not to touch it.
- 4. Now apply the final two finishing coats. There are a variety of finishes available so make sure to ask an expert for a recommendation on the right type for you, Parkwood recommends Cetol Filter 7 plus.
- 5. When the handle is completely dry, apply the finish using the same process as you followed with the stain, applying more coats if needed.