

OPAQUE FINISHED DOORS – PREMIUM GRADE VS. CUSTOM GRADE

The current industry standards for wood doors: WDMA (Window & Door Manufacturers Association) I.S. 1A (Industry Standard for Interior Wood Flush Doors) I.S. 1A (Industry Standard for Interior Architectural Stile & Rail Doors, the AWS (Architectural Woodwork Standards), and the NAAS (North American Architectural Woodwork Standards) State that:

Premium Grade Doors for Opaque Finish to have Medium Density Overlay (MDO), Medium Density Fiberboard (MDF) or High Density Fiberboard (HDF)/Hardboard surface, at manufacturer's option. These surfaces provide the optimum surface for opaque finished doors.

Custom Grade Doors for Opaque Finish are allowed to have the above surfaces as well as Close Grain Hardwood Veneer.

Note: When Hardwood Veneer is used, extra preparation is required prior for job site finishing because of natural characteristics of wood such as grain show-through and veneer joints.

VT offers a Premium Grade Primed Paintable Surface (HDF/Hardboard) for doors that will have an opaque finish.