

PAINTABLE SURFACE (PRIMED) FINISH DOORS – PREMIUM GRADE VS. CUSTOM GRADE

VT offers a Premium Grade Primed Paintable Surface (HDF/MDO) for doors that will have a primed finish.

The current industry standards for wood doors:

WDMA (Window & Door Manufacturers Association) I.S. 1A (Industry Standard for Interior Wood Flush Doors) I.S. 6A (Industry Standard for Interior Architectural Stile & Rail Doors), the AWS (Architectural Woodwork Standards), and the NAAWS (North American Architectural Woodwork Standards) State that:

Premium Grade Doors 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 (painted) finished doors.

Custom Grade Doors are allowed to have the above surfaces as well as Closed Grain Hardwood Veneer. When Hardwood Veneer is used, extra preparation is required prior to job site finishing because of natural characteristics of wood such as grain show-through and veneer joints.