



NEW ENGLAND WOODWORKING

Care and Maintenance of Doors & Windows

The doors and windows fabricated by The New England Woodworking Company are built from premium materials that are intended to last a lifetime.

In order to insure that their performance lives up to the expectation, we recommend the following maintenance procedures be followed:

The open areas around the doors and windows need to be kept clean and free of dirt, debris, snow and ice, which can get into gaskets, floor sweeps and door bottoms causing them to not seat properly which can allow wind and water penetration.

Door and window locking hardware needs to be allowed to cycle through their intended full opening, closing and locking positions. Doors and windows that are operated in the “partial” open cycle can damage locking hardware, the door/window frame and gasket materials.

Perimeter sweeps and gaskets need to be kept clean and lubricated with either silicone spray or a dry lubricant every six months (or 2500 open/close cycles).

When cleaning the door and window hardware, do not use any chemical cleaners. Only soap and water should be used to ensure that the hardware will not be damaged.

Any brass hardware exposed to outside elements should be coated with a thin layer of wax two to three times a year. Use either a non-abrasive furniture type or a non-abrasive car wax. Any wax residue from previous applications should be washed off with soap and water before applying a new layer.

Set screws for latches, knobs, multipoint locking hardware, casement locks, casement stays and hinge screws should be checked and tightened every 3 months (or 1750 open/close cycles) for locations close to a salt water environment or every 6 months (or 3500 open/close cycles for non salt water locations).

Any moving parts should be lubricated with a dry lubricant or silicone spray every 3 months (or 1750 open/close cycles) for locations close to a salt water environment. For non salt water locations every 6 months (or 3500 open/close cycles) is recommended.

In the event that a finish color needs to be re-finished, it is recommended that the hardware be completely removed from the door or window during that process. For answers to any additional maintenance questions please call: 401-841-5544 extension 10.