

Operation & Maintenance - Painted Surface

Your Vahle Exterior Door is painted in the following colours:

Frame RAL no.: _____

Front RAL no.: _____

Back RAL no.: _____

Note: We have included a small can of touch-up paint.

We recommend giving your Vahle Exterior Door a thorough inspection every 2 months. Check all surfaces and corners to ensure the coating is intact. If you notice any signs of colour changes or small cracks beginning to form, you should treat the door immediately. Waiting will result in damage to the door. Pay particular attention to the lower half of the door, which is always the most exposed.

Note: Surface deterioration happens slowly, so you will always have the opportunity to treat your Vahle Exterior Door before damage occurs.

The painted surface of a Vahle Exterior Door typically has a durability of 2 to 4 years. How often the front and frame need repainting depends on environmental exposure. Sun and water are the biggest threats - these two factors first break down the surface and then the wood. Vahle Exterior Doors that are unprotected and exposed to intense sunlight require extra attention and maintenance (on south-facing facades, dark-coloured doors can reach temperatures of up to 60°C).

REMEMBER: The warranty does not cover potential future surface damage, including cracks and discoloration. Careful and consistent maintenance will slow down weather-related deterioration of the surface as much as possible.

Ongoing Maintenance

Ordinary dirt, dust, etc., should be washed off with clean water. Finally, wipe the door with a lint-free cloth. **Never add cleaning agents or ammonia solution.**

Future Maintenance

1. Remove the handle.
2. Wash the door following the above instructions.
3. Allow the surface to dry completely.
4. Lightly sand the surface with the included fine-grit sandpaper.
5. Carefully remove all sanding dust.

We have used acrylic paint on the Vahle Exterior Door, and we recommend treating it with a high-quality semi-gloss acrylic paint.

- Always apply with a good brush and work wet-on-wet to avoid visible overlap marks.
- Avoid painting in intense sunlight or high temperatures.
- The interior side of the door normally does not require maintenance, except in case of damage or wear and tear.
- Sealing strips should not be painted.
- Avoid closing the door before the treatment is fully dry.