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Practical advice to help your timber joinery perform beautifully for years to come

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Quality timber joinery is designed to provide decades of reliable performance.

Like any natural building material, timber responds to its environment and benefits from regular care. A simple maintenance routine, combined with the right storage and handling before installation, will help protect its appearance, maintain its performance and maximise its service life.

This guide outlines the key steps for caring for your timber joinery before installation and throughout its lifetime.

Before Installation

Correct storage is one of the most important factors in protecting timber joinery before it is installed.

As soon as your joinery arrives on site, it should be stored:

+ In a clean, dry and well-ventilated area.
+ Away from direct sunlight and weather.
+ Off the ground on a flat, level surface.
+ Fully supported to prevent twisting or distortion.

Where possible, store joinery in an upright position and avoid leaning it at excessive angles or placing heavy objects against it.

New construction sites often contain significant moisture from concrete slabs, plastering and masonry work. Keeping timber joinery away from these damp environments until installation will help protect its stability and finish.

Priming and Finishing

Timber should be protected as soon as practical after delivery. Applying the specified primer, paint or stain system helps minimise moisture absorption and protects the timber from weathering and UV exposure.

Particular attention should be given to:

+ End grain.
+ Top and bottom edges of doors.
+ Hardware cut-outs.
+ Any exposed timber created during installation or hardware fitting.

These areas are particularly vulnerable to moisture and should always be sealed promptly. Always follow the coating manufacturer's recommendations for preparation, application and maintenance.