

Quick Reference Guide

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Chapter 15 – Painting & Staining

Planning and Preparation	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Determine a painting plan2. Open windows for fresh air. Leave window tops under eaves and along front porch open 1" before leaving for the day.3. Dust off window sills and edges above tub/shower before painting.4. Cover finish materials (base trim, shelving, etc.) with tarps or drop clothes.5. Tape around windows, door hinges, strike plates, tub/shower etc. with painters' tape.6. Place cardboard or tarp on floor where paint is to be mixed or poured.7. Turn on all cage and portable lights8. Cover inside surface of both exterior doors and tub/shower before painting.9. Thoroughly mix all paints and stains.
Priming and Painting	<ol style="list-style-type: none">10. Prime walls, ceilings, and scuttle hole cover with one coat of primer using rollers11. Use brushes to "cut in" all corners and surfaces inaccessible to rollers.<ol style="list-style-type: none">a. Do not leave lap marks.b. Wipe off splatter on doors with a wet rag before paint dries.12. Hold primer and paint back 1" from edges of exterior doors.13. DO NOT prime or paint the plastered garage wall or ceiling sheetrock.14. Finish coat walls, ceilings, and scuttle cover using same techniques described above for priming.15. Stain closet poles and stair handrail and skirt boards. If skirt boards are pine, don't stain; paint.16. Painters tape should be removed as soon as possible after painting
Clean-Up	<ol style="list-style-type: none">17. Place brushes in plastic bags and return to the site leader. Toss all rollers covers.
Preparation for Next Build Day	<ol style="list-style-type: none">18. If cold weather (<40° F) is anticipated before the next scheduled workday, transfer the following to the designated locations:<ol style="list-style-type: none">a. ¼" Multi-Ply - stack in the center of the living roomb. Dri-Core squares - basement (most of them). Keep 10-15 upstairs in the living room as the may not be needed.c. Compressor - put in living room (to warm up the compressor oil)

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- Put the paint on thicker/heavier rather than too thin (don't "stretch" the paint)
- A quote from old uncle Earl – "no runs, no drips, no errors"☺
- All plastered surfaces have been primed and painted, including scuttle hole cover
- Stair skirt has been stained (or painted if pine) and stair handrail and closet poles have been stained
- All painters tape has been removed and unwanted paint "bypass" cleaned with a wet rag.
- Paint brushes have been rinsed; rollers and paint tray inserts have been discarded
- Lids have been replaced and sealed on cans of leftover paint and stain
- Spatter has been cleaned (if necessary) off doors, tub/shower, windows
- Any paint spills on subfloor have been wiped up