CABINET ENAMEL APPLICATION TIPS

PREP FOR SUCCESS

STEP 1:
Examine the surface and prepare it for painting. If cabinets are dusty, simply wipe down with soft, damp rag and let dry. If surface has heavy dirt, mildew, greasy or waxy residue, remove it with a mild household cleaner, rinse well and dry thoroughly.

If existing paint is peeling or chipping, remove it gently with a scraper. Sand the edges of the remaining paint to smooth the surface. Wipe away all sanding dust with a damp rag and dry thoroughly.

If you are painting a laminate or lacquered item with a smooth or glossy surface, rough up the surface with a medium-to-fine grit sanding block. Wipe away all sanding dust with a soft, damp rag and dry thoroughly.

STEP 2:
Remove hardware or cover any hardware you are unable to remove with tape.

STEP 3:
Remove drawers or tape inside edge of each drawer to prevent sticking against painted cabinet.

PAINT & LET DRY

STEP 1:
Stir paint thoroughly.

STEP 2:
Use a brush first to paint legs, decorative accents and other tight or hard-to-reach areas. Apply paint thinly and evenly. Do not paint drawer glides.

STEP 3:
Change to a small or mini trim roller and cover the entire surface, rolling paint smoothly and evenly. Don’t worry if paint doesn’t look perfect or color is inconsistent – this is normal due to oils in the formula. The surface will level out when dry.

STEP 4:
Remove tape while paint is still wet. Pull tape up and away, not sideways, to remove cleanly.

STEP 5:
Let dry overnight (at least 8-12 hours). Don’t shortcut this time. If you apply second coat before first is completely dry, your surface will not be smooth.

STEP 6:
Re-tape and apply second coat in same manner as the first, starting with a brush for details and switching to roller to cover entire surface. Remove tape while paint is still wet.

STEP 7:
The surface will feel dry after 24 hours, however the adhesion and hardness develop over time. To prevent scratches, marring or peeling, allow the project to dry for a minimum of 3 days. Humidity and temperature will affect these suggested times.

STEP 8:
After furniture is completely dry, replace the hardware.

ADMIRE & ENJOY