White Wood Sanding - Step by Step

Proper White Wood Sanding ensures that the finish being applied will have good adhesion, uniform stain color and the desired look intended for the finished part.

- **Step 1** Identify the type of wood you will be sanding. Harder species of wood require a more aggressive sandpaper grit. Softer ones, a less aggressive grit.
- **Step 2** Pick your sandpaper. We recommend that you use a series of 120, 150 and 180 grit sand paper. Always graduate one grit grade at a time.
- **Step 3** Carefully begin sanding. Always sand in the direction of the grain, using even pressure and stroke length. Follow these same rules when sanding the edges of the piece.

When you encounter an imperfection that requires more aggressive sanding, the rest of the surface will need to be sanded down to the same level of the imperfection. This ensures an even finish.

Step 4 - Lightly run your paper along the 90 degree edges of the part. The sanding process has created very sharp edges. Smoothing these will allow the finish to build up on them properly.

One last tip. Change your sandpaper often. Worn sandpaper can cause many problems later.

Proper White Wood Sanding is the foundation of any good finish. Whether you're using a block, orbital or jitter bug sander, these techniques are the beginning of getting extraordinary results.

- Use adequate ventilation while spraying.
- Always refer to your (MSDS) Material Safety Data Sheet for proper (PPE) Personal Protective Equipment.

