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Working with Ornamentation

CLEANING—Always clean resin pieces with virgin acetone prior to any painting, this IMPORTANT step that will help your paints, primers and stains adhere to the parts.

ADHESIVE –We recommend using adhesive caulk. It is a tenacious adhesive and caulk combination. Specifically, we recommend using DAP Kwik Seal Kitchen & Bath Adhesive caulk. It is water-proof, mildew resistant, paintable and easy water clean-up. Any nail or screw holes can be filled with standard wood putty or adhesive caulk. The use of 23 gauge nails virtually eliminates the need to fill nail holes. Any gaps, cracks or joints in resin product installations can be filled the same way as wood products with putty or caulk.

All building materials expand and contract, including resin. When working with resin, cut and fit joints tightly. Make sure all joints are caulked prior to finishing. Caulking is a flexible filler that is used to hide shrinkage issues due to changing temperature and moisture conditions.

NAILING—Use only 23 gauge pneumatic nail guns when nailing resin components. Using larger nails on polyester resin will cause parts to crack or shatter.

When using pneumatic pin nailers to apply material, use the smallest diameter nail possible. When nailing delicate ornamentation we recommend using 23 gauge pneumatic pin nail guns such as the Senco SHP-10 or the Grex PG35. All ornamentation is flexible, stainable and paintable. Do not over nail! Nailing should be spaced a minimum of 10” apart and 3/8” from any edge. Pre-drilling is recommended if wood-screws are to be used. **Do Not use Staple Guns.** Material should be kept above 60 degrees. If material is stored below 60 degrees, then the flexing or nailing of the material could break it.

SCREWS—Larger components will need to be attached with screws. When using trim head screws pre-drilling is required to prevent cracking or splitting. We recommend using square drive trim head screws. This type of wood screw has a very small head which lessens the risk of a stress fracture. Remember always use adhesive caulk when installing these products.