









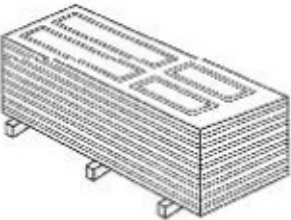



## Storage and Handling of External Doors & Doorsets on Site

Doors should be handled and stored as prescribed in the BS Code of Practice CP151.

		<p>Do not store in an area which may be subject to extremes of temperature. Do not store doors directly near a radiator, heater or air-conditioning unit.</p>
		<p>Store doorsets in a dry, well ventilated building to store doors or doorsets. Keep doors away from areas where there could be a risk of excessive moisture build-up.</p>
		<p>If doors or doorsets have to be stored outside as there is no alternative, make sure they are adequately covered by waterproof heavy sheeting. Note: this does not apply to internal doors, doorkits or linings which should never be stored outdoors.</p>
		<p>Do not store in an area that is uneven and/or prone to puddles or localised flooding, make sure the area is well drained.</p>
		<p>Keep doors or doorsets stacked on the pallet they were delivered on as long as possible.</p>
		<p>If doors or doorsets have been removed from the pallet, lay them horizontally on three bearers located down the height of the door, spaced evenly, similar to the way door leaves are stacked: Make sure the floor surface is flat, dry, solid and level.</p>

		<p>Never store doors or doorsets leant back against a wall, fence or other object.</p>
		<p>Do not store other items on top of a pallet of doors or doorsets.</p>
		<p>It is important that any packaging the door or doorset came with is left on the product as long as is practically possible to avoid damage to the door surfaces. Keep out of the rain. Keep any hardware packs with the doors as long as possible. When a doorset has been fitted keep the polythene doorbag taped to the doorleaf as long as possible.</p>
		<p>During the remaining construction activity the doorleaf may be required to be propped open for long periods, always support the underside of the doorleaf to the correct height making sure the door is square otherwise it can put strain on the hinges and impact the operation of the door.</p>
		<p>Do not leave the door exposed to weather with the handles and cylinders not fitted. Moisture could penetrate the timber stiles and could cause the door to swell and skin to delaminate.</p>
		<p>Do not leave the doorset exposed to weather without the aluminium threshold fitted for extended period of time. Moisture could penetrate not only into the bottom edge of the door, but also into the property and could cause water damage to flooring and/or decorations.</p>
		<p>Keep these labels in place down the hinge edge of the door. Only visible when the door is open, these labels contain vital information for Building Control, NHBC, Secured by Design and home owners.</p>