



## Instructions

***PLEASE READ, UNDERSTAND AND FOLLOW THE PAINT, FINISH AND SOLVENT MANUFACTURERS' INSTRUCTIONS FOR HANDLING AND SAFETY.***

### Basic Recommendations

- Before applying finish, prep your brushes with the appropriate solvent using an EcoRing System. *\*See Brush Prep Instructions.*
- The EcoRing System is not intended for long-term brush storage in solvent.
- When setting the height of the brush within the EcoRing, the tip of the bristles should just contact the top surface of the solvent. This will allow the solvent to wick up the bristles to keep them saturated and allow for solids to settle in the solvent.
- The locating disk may swell with long-term exposure to solvents, remove the disk and allow to dry when not in use to maintain its normal dimension.
- The locating disk should be on the bottom of the assembly and captured between the top lip of the bottom jar and the flange within the EcoRing.



## Basic Brush Cleaning – Oil Based Finish

- Using a rag, wipe excess finish from the bristles.
- Transfer solvent into the bottom jar – use as much as is needed to work the bristles in the solvent
- Work the bristles in the solvent
- Install the EcoRing on the bottom jar, capturing the brush handle
- Set the brush height
- Install the top jar
- Set the EcoRing assembly on a stable surface to soak
- Later -
- Remove the top jar and EcoRing from the brush handle
- Tipping the bottom jar to the side (to expose fresh solvent), work the brush bristles in the solvent to agitate and soak the bristles.
- Install the EcoRing on the bottom jar, capturing the brush handle
- Set the brush height
- Install the top jar
- Set the EcoRing assembly on a stable surface to soak
- Later-
- Repeat with working the bristles in solvent, adding solvent or transferring solvent, when appropriate to obtain a level of cleanliness in the bristles.
- Remove the brush and wash the bristles with warm water and soap, working the bristles all the way up to the ferrule.
- Dry the brush and wrap the bristles in paper.

## Basic Brush Cleaning – Water Based Finish

- Using a rag, wipe excess finish from the bristles.
- Transfer water into the bottom jar – use as much as is needed to work the bristles in the water
- Work the bristles in the water
- Install the EcoRing on the bottom jar, capturing the brush handle
- Set the brush height
- Install the top jar
- Set the EcoRing assembly on a stable surface to soak
- Later -
- Remove the top jar and EcoRing from the brush handle
- Tipping the bottom jar to the side (to expose fresh water), work the brush bristles in the water to agitate and soak the bristles.
- Install the EcoRing on the bottom jar, capturing the brush handle
- Set the brush height
- Install the top jar
- Set the EcoRing assembly on a stable surface to soak
- Later-



- Repeat with working the bristles in water, adding water or transferring water, when appropriate to obtain a level of cleanliness in the bristles.
- Remove the brush and wash the bristles with warm water and soap, working the bristles all the way up to the ferrule.
- Dry the brush and wrap the bristles in paper.

## Multi-Day Finish

- Using a prepped brush, apply finish to the work piece (\*See brush prep instructions / video)
- Using a rag, wipe excess finish from the bristles.
- Transfer solvent into the bottom jar – use as much as is needed to work the bristles in the solvent
- Work the bristles in the solvent
- Install the EcoRing on the bottom jar, capturing the brush handle
- Set the brush height
- Install the top jar
- Set the EcoRing assembly on a stable surface to soak
- Next Application -
- Remove the top jar and remove the EcoRing from the brush handle
- Press excess solvent from the brush by pressing the bristles on the inside of the bottom jar.
- Remove the brush from the jar and wipe excess solvent on a rag.
- Apply Finish
- Using a rag, wipe excess finish from the bristles
- Work the bristles in the solvent contained within the bottom jar
- Install the EcoRing on the bottom jar, capturing the brush handle
- Set the brush height
- Install the top jar
- Set the EcoRing assembly on a stable surface to soak
- Repeat for additional layers of finish, removing the brush to apply finish and returning to the jar afterwards. After completion of the project, perform a basic brush cleaning; transferring or adding fresh solvent, as needed. (\*See Basic Brush Cleaning Instructions / Video)

## Brush Prep Instructions

- Transfer solvent into the bottom jar – use as much as is needed to work the bristles in the solvent
- Work the bristles in the solvent
- Install the EcoRing on the bottom jar, capturing, the brush handle
- Set the brush height
- Install the top jar
- Set the EcoRing assembly on a stable surface to soak
- Later – Ready for Application
- Remove the top jar and remove the EcoRing from the brush handle.



- Press the brush bristles against the inside of the bottom jar to press excess solvent from the brush.
- Remove the brush and wipe the bristles on a lint-free rag to remove excess solvent from the brush.
- Use the brush to apply finish.

## **Solvent Reclaim Instructions**

- With solvent and settled solids in the bottom jar
- Remove the top jar and the EcoRing
- Pour the solvent from the bottom jar into the top jar – The top jar is now the bottom
- Clean the settled solids from the top jar
- Install the EcoRing onto the bottom jar
- Install the top jar

