

# EQUIPMENT & SUPPLIES CHECKLIST FOR PAINTING AND FINISHING

NEED IT	GOT IT	
_____	_____	Brushes (correct width and fullness for job)
_____	_____	Mineral Spirits (to clean and thin oil-based products)
_____	_____	Can (for cleaning brushes in mineral spirits)
_____	_____	Small Plastic Container (to clean brushes used for water-based products in soapy water)
_____	_____	Bucket or Dishpan (to soak rollers in soapy water or wash down walls) [For rollers: Bucket must be taller than width of roller, dishpan wider than width of roller]
_____	_____	Rags (to apply stain, wipe blobs of paint, clean sanded items) [If you don't have any, you can purchase at a home improvement store]
_____	_____	Sandpaper (correct grit for job)
_____	_____	Steel Wool (to sand irregular shaped items, using correct coarseness)
_____	_____	Sanding Block (to sand flat surfaces)
_____	_____	Paint Stir Sticks (usually free where paint bought)
_____	_____	Paint Can Opener (sometimes free, or use flathead screwdriver or 1/2" beveled edge bench chisel)
_____	_____	Rubber Mallet (to pound paint can lids on tight)
_____	_____	Paper Towels (to wipe stir sticks clean, etc.)
_____	_____	Paint Rollers (correct length and thickness)
_____	_____	Paint Roller Handles
_____	_____	Paint Roller Handle Extensions (for ceilings, etc.)
_____	_____	Paint Roller Trays
_____	_____	Ladder (proper height)
_____	_____	Newspaper (to protect small areas)
_____	_____	Drop Cloths (to protect large areas)
_____	_____	Painters' Tape (to protect floor moldings, etc.)
_____	_____	Nose and Mouth Mask (for sanding or for fumes)
_____	_____	Goggles (for sanding)
_____	_____	Hand Cleaner (for cleaning off oil-based products)
_____	_____	Paint Edging Tool (for ceiling edges, next to flat moldings, etc.)
_____	_____	Patching Cement (for nail holes dents, etc.)
_____	_____	Putty Knife (for scraping patching cement)
_____	_____	Unfinished Wood (to test stain colors)
_____	_____	Stain
_____	_____	Polyurethane
_____	_____	Stain/Polyurethane Combined
_____	_____	Paint
_____	_____	TSP (Trisodium Phosphate – to prepare walls painted with glossy or semi-glossy paints)
_____	_____	Large Sponge (to wash down walls)
_____	_____	Round Sticks (to separate painted or finished item from work surface while drying)