

Are You Using the Right Tool for the Right Job?

Finishes can be applied using various methods. Depending on your part of the country and how you were trained, you probably prefer one method over the other. Some contractors even use different techniques for different jobs. Regardless of the method, you need quality application tools to get the best results. Two of the most popular methods of application are rolling and brushing. In 2006 Glitsa improved our finish brush and introduced our new roller.



Brushing. There is nothing worse than looking over the beautiful floor you have just coated only to see bristles in the finish or brush strokes! Aside from a bad finish job, you need to replace poor quality brushes more often. Look for a brush with quality bristles that will hold finish and won't shed or break. Quality brushes will leave a smoother finish and save money over the long run since you will not have to worry about recoats or replacing worn brushes as often.

Glitsa's brush, designed specifically for conversion varnishes, was improved to last longer and facilitate a smoother finish. Tapered bristles were added for better feathering and flagging, leaving minimal brush strokes. Longer bristles result in better flow control and roll over and the staple set was redesigned for less breakage. For better control, the handle was widened slightly. Because the reengineered well will hold more product, contractors can look forward to fewer drips and a smoother finish.



Rolling. As with brushing, it is important to use a quality roller. Before beginning, always prep the roller cover by carefully removing any loose hairs that could end up in the finish and inspect for flat spots on the roller cover. Glitsa's roller cover has a plastic, solvent-resistant core that will last longer and won't deteriorate in the lacquer thinner used for cleaning, resulting in cost savings and better performance. Lambswool covers are preferred for peak performance.

Glitsa has expanded our offering of application tools with the new roller frame and cover, designed exclusively for Glitsa Swedish Finishes. Glitsa covers are hand-treated for less shedding. The Glitsa covers are first run through open flames to burn off stray fibers, then brushed to remove the excess fibers. They are made of 100% woven Lambswool for maximum pickup and release. The 9" length and 1/2" nap are the perfect combination for applying a uniform coating. The 1/2" nap also allows you to cover more square footage without compromising performance. The high-density polypropylene core is durable and solvent resistance, resulting in longer life for your roller cover.

A quality job requires a quality finish AND quality application tools. Don't compromise your craftsmanship with substandard tools. Quality application tools will save you money by preventing recoats and lasting longer. ♦