

## **Installation Instructions** for Bifold Doors (JII103)



Thank you for selecting JELD-WEN products. Attached are JELD-WEN's recommended installation instructions for premium composite, hollow and solid core molded Bifold Doors. Bifolds are designed for fast and easy installation and adjustment using common tools.

Read these installation instructions thoroughly before beginning. They are designed to work in most existing applications. However, existing conditions may require changes to these instructions. If changes are needed, they are made at the installer's risk. For installations other than indicated in these instructions, contact a building professional.

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NOTE TO INSTALLER: Provide a copy of these instructions to the building owner. By installing this product, you acknowledge the terms and conditions of the limited warranty as part of the terms of the sale.

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# Glossary

### **Finished Opening**

The resulting opening after any trim work is completed. Measure these dimensions for proper door fitting.

#### Lead Door

The panel or section without the pivoting hardware. On four-panel assemblies, these are the two that meet in the middle.

#### **Pivot Door**

The panel or section that contains the pivoting hardware and supports the weight of the door assembly.



## SAFETY | STORAGE AND HANDLING | FINISHING

## Safety

- Read and fully understand ALL manufacturer's instructions before beginning. Failure to follow proper installation instructions may result in the denial of warranty claims for operational or performance problems.
- Use safe lifting techniques.
- Wear protective gear (e.g. safety glasses, gloves, ear protection, etc.).
- Operate hand/power tools safely and follow manufacturer's operating instructions.
- Heed material manufacturer's handling and application instructions.
- If disturbing existing paint, take proper precautions if lead paint is suspected (commonly used before 1979). Your regional EPA (www.epa.gov/lead) or Consumer Product Safety Commission offices provide information regarding regulations and lead protection.



**WARNING:** Drilling, sawing, sanding or machining wood products can expose you to wood dust, a substance known to the State of California to cause cancer. Avoid inhaling wood dust or use a dust mask or other safeguards for personal protection. For more information go to www.P65Warnings.ca.gov/wood.

## Storage and Handling

- Deliver doors to the building site after the plaster, drywall and/or concrete are dry.
- If the doors are being stored at the job site and not for immediate installation, the top, bottom and sides must be sealed.
- Hollow core doors may be more prone to warp than solid core doors. When stacking doors, keep the top door covered at all times with a cover sheet, plywood or cardboard. This is critical to prevent warping.
- Keep the doors away from direct sunlight and sources of extreme heat, cold or humidity.
- Store flat on a level surface in a clean, dry, well ventilated building. Protect from dirt, water and abuse. Allow air circulation. Cover the top door with a moisture barrier. Do not lean the doors vertically against a wall or other structure.
- Doors should always be handled with clean hands or while wearing clean gloves.
- Doors should be lifted and carried when being moved, not dragged across one another.
- Doors should not be subjected to abnormal or sudden variations in heat, dryness or humidity, and should not be exposed to direct sunlight. Recommended humidity and temperature are 25% - 55% RH and 50°F - 90°F (10°C - 32°C).
- Doors should be stored at least 10' away from any heat source. Excessive heat on a door creates uneven drying which results in warping, splitting, and bowing on the door surfaces.
- Doors should be climatized to the average prevailing humidity and temperature before hanging for at least 48 hours. In below-zero or extreme temperatures, doors should be stored properly in a dry building at normal room temperatures for at least 72 hours before hanging.

## MATERIALS AND TOOLS

## **Finishing Materials**

NOTE: Follow all material manufacturer's instructions for proper use and compatibility.

- Rubber gloves
- Paint brush
- Sandpaper
- Drop cloth

- Paint (and primer for raw wood doors) or stain and wood conditioner
- Wood putty

## Finishing

- Set-up your finishing area by making sure your work area is clean, welllighted, dust free, well ventilated, out of direct sunlight and in a climate controlled environment. When painting and staining avoid carpeted areas, cover all areas subject to paint or stain exposure.
- Doors should acclimate to the environment where they will be installed for a minimum of 48 hours under normal room temperature conditions (72 Hours in extreme weather conditions). Avoid finishing immediately after a rain or damp weather and during periods of higher than average humidity. In very dry conditions, the door should be finished right after the wrapping is removed. Ensure adequate air flow around all surfaces of the door when conditioning. Follow paint/stain manufacturer's instructions noting both temperature and humidity recommendations. Remove all hardware before finishing.
- If you must use a water-based paint please apply in light coats, in a warm dry environment. Do **NOT** reduce paint beyond the manufacturer's recommendations. If you attempt to apply water-based paints in a cold or damp environment, or apply the paint in a heavy coat, the paint will take longer to dry and the water in the paint will penetrate into the board, raising the grain or fibers in the substrate. The use of satin or semi-gloss finish is highly recommended.
- WARNING: Distortions such as warping, bowing and waviness, can appear as a result of incorrect topcoat (paints or stains), improper finishing techniques and or finishing conditions. These are caused by but are not limited to incorrect topcoat, watered down paints, high humidity environments, excessive application of paints, and doors not being acclimated properly.

For additional details reference Window & Door Manufacturers Association guidelines on how to store, handle, finish and install wood doors.

## Tools

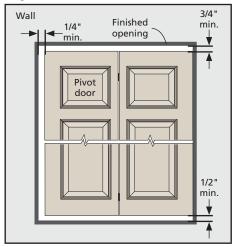
- Hammer (applies only to certain hardware)
- Drill with bits
- Screwdrivers
- Safety glasses
- Tape measure

## INSPECT FINISHED OPENING, REMOVE PACKAGING AND INSPECT DOOR

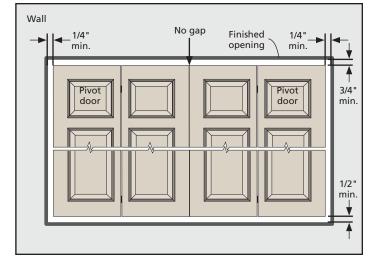
## **Inspect Finished Opening**

- The width size specification (finished opening size) shown on the bifold packaging is 1/2" larger than the bifold set to allow for at least a 1/4" gap between the side jamb and pivot door (door secured to the floor and head jamb). Double units should have at least 1/4" gap between both side jambs and no gap between the doors that meet in the middle.
- The height size specification (finished opening size) shown on the bifold packaging is 1-1/2 " larger than the bifold set to allow for the track to be installed above the door set and the lower bracket installed below the door set.

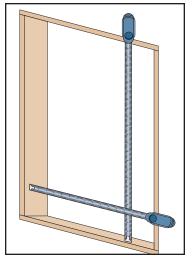
#### Single Bifold Set



#### **Double Bifold Set**



- Measure height and width of finished wall opening and verify it is no more than 1/4" larger or smaller than the stated opening size on the packaging.
- Once the door set(s) are installed, there is an additional hardware adjustment of up to 3/8" to center the sets in the finished opening.
- If the finished opening is too large, filler material, such as a 1" x 6" piece of pine trim can be tacked into the opening to bring it to the correct size.
- If the finished opening is too small (1/2" or less), 1-3/8" thick hollow or solid



core molded and flush doors may be trimmed 1/4" on each side as necessary. Trimming any other bifold type is not recommended. For the best appearance, trim an equal amount from opposite sides. To minimize chipping, stick masking tape along the cut line to each face of the slab. Make the cuts with a fine toothed circular saw.

• If the opening is too far out of specification, or if you are not confident trimming, you can order custom sizes from our manufacturing locations to fit the finished opening, or contact a building professional for assistance. Contact us or a dealer/distributor for options.

## For Retrofit Installations

For retrofit installations remove the old door and contact your local waste management entities for proper disposal or recycling of products being removed.

## **Remove Packaging**

Remove shipping materials such as corner covers, shipping blocks or pads.

#### Inspect Door

• When doors are received they must be inspected immediately for quality, including correct size, machining, color, design, cosmetic damage, specie of veneer and finish, if factory finished.

If any of the above conditions represent a concern, do not install the door. Contact your dealer or distributor for recommendations.

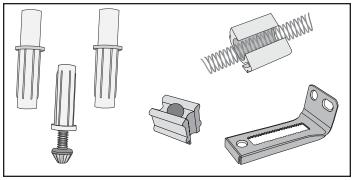


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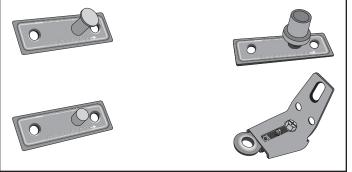
Open the hardware pack and compare the contents to the images on this page. They do not show everything in the hardware pack, but only what is necessary to properly identify a specific type of hardware. Go to the page number for the pictured hardware type that matches the contents of the hardware pack that came with the door and follow the installation instructions.

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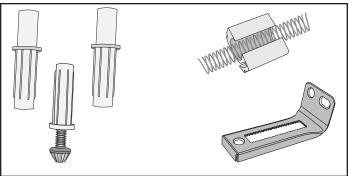


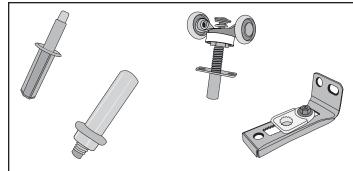
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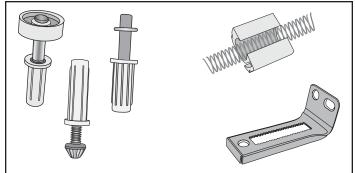
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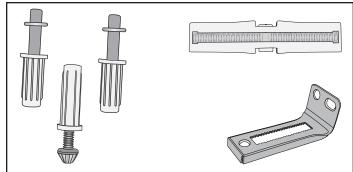




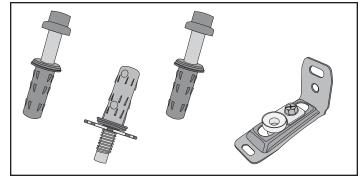
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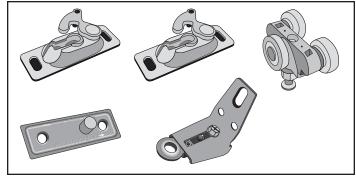
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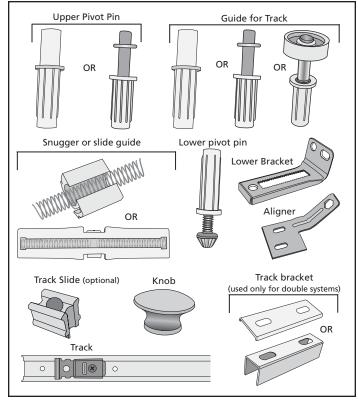




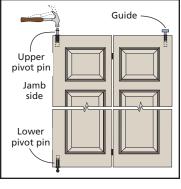
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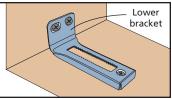
## INSTALLATION FOR TYPE A1 - A4

## Parts Included



- Using a hammer, gently tap pivot pins and guide into the pre-drilled holes in the locations shown.
- 2. Position overhead track in the opening with the open side down and the bracket end toward the jamb. Center the track, or allow at least 3/4" between the track and the front of the opening. If installing a double set with two tracks, insert the track bracket into the two ends where they meet in the middle and push the tracks together. The holes in the bracket should align with the holes in the tracks. Center the entire assembly side to side in the opening. Secure the track with the long pan head screws

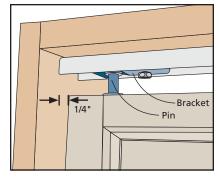




through the pre-drilled holes until snug. If installing four panels with two tracks, use a track bracket between the two ends in the center.

3. Position the lower bracket on the floor in line with the overhead track. The bottom of the bracket must rest securely on the floor or carpet. Fasten to the jamb and floor with a long flat head screw through each hole.

- 4. Place the upper pivot pin in the hole in the bracket and the guide in the track (or in the middle of the slide guide between the springs). Lift the door assembly slightly and drop the lower pin into the lower bracket slot.
- 5. Verify there is a 1/4" clearance between the pivot door and the jamb. Four panel assemblies



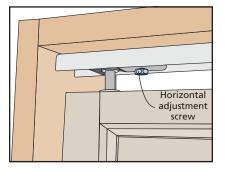
should be snug at the middle. If adjustments are necessary, door panels should be folded, in some cases removed, to gain access to the adjustment screws.

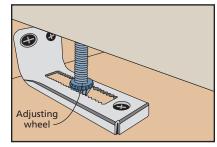
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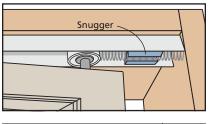
- 6. At the top, loosen the screw in the top pivot bracket and move toward or away from the jamb until there is 1/4 " clearance. Re-tighten.
- 7. At the bottom, lift assembly and move the adjusting wheel toward or away from the jamb until doors are plumb with jamb, then lower into bracket.

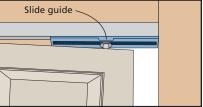
#### To adjust vertically:

- 8. Lift assembly slightly until the adjustment wheel clears the slot in the lower bracket. Rotate the adjustment wheel to the left to raise doors or to the right to lower them. Be sure the teeth lock firmly into bracket when finished.
- 9. Snap the snugger or slide guide into the lead door end of the track as shown, or in the center of the track between guides in a four door installation. If using a slide guide, seat lead door guide pin between the two springs in the guide as shown.









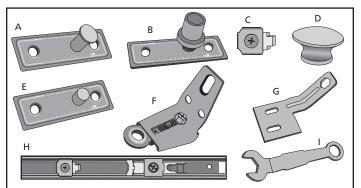




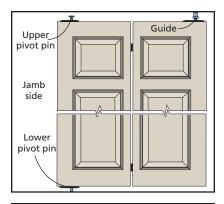
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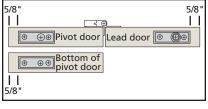
- A. Upper pivot pin
- B. Guide for track
- C. Snugger
- D. Knob
- E. Lower pivot pin
- F. Lower bracket
- G. Aligner
- H. Track
- I. Adjustment wrench Screws (not shown)

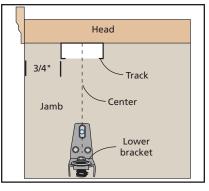


1. Position the guide, upper pivot pin and lower pivot pin on the door assembly in the locations and orientations shown.



- 2. Measure in 5/8" from the end of each panel and center each pin on the panel.
- 3. Secure with a 1 " flat head screw through each hole.
- 4. Position overhead track in the opening with the open side down and the bracket end toward the jamb. Allow 3/4" between the front of the opening and the track and drive the 1 1/4" pan head screws through the pre-drilled holes until snua. Position the lower bracket on the floor in line with overhead track. Fasten to the jamb with a 1 1/4" flat head screw through only the middle of the top slotted hole.





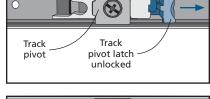
- 5. Unlock the track pivot latch by pulling the latch away from the jamb. With the door assembly folded, place the guide in the track and then
- position the upper pivot pin next to the track pivot. Slide the pin away from the jamb into the track pivot. Slide the latch toward the jamb to lock the pivot pin in place. Verify the pin is secure.
- 6. On the bottom, depress the arm on the lower bracket and insert the lower pivot pin. If installing a four door system, repeat for the other assembly. Check positioning and operation.

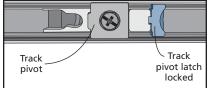
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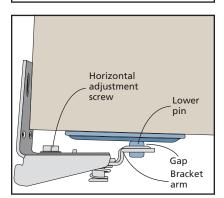
7. At the top, loosen the screw in the top pivot bracket and move toward or away from the jamb until there is 1/4" clearance. Re-tighten. Repeat the process for the lower bracket.

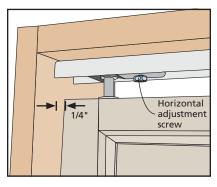
#### To adjust vertically:

8. There should be a slight gap between the lower pin and the bracket. If there is no gap or the gap is too large and allows the pin to come out of the bracket. loosen the single screw in the bracket and adjust up or down until there is a small gap and the pin is engaged in the bracket. When the bracket is properly adjusted, install the remaining two screws and tighten.









9. Loosen the screw on the snugger and close doors. Move the snugger until it contacts the guide pin. Open doors and move the snugger an additional 1/8" toward doors and tighten screw. Doors should slightly "snap" shut, but reopen easily with a tug on the knob.

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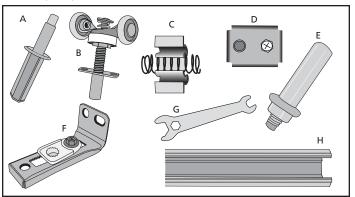


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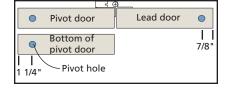
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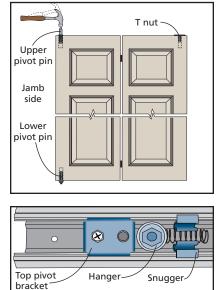
## Parts Included

- Upper pivot pin
- Hanger with T-nut
- Snugger
- Top pivot bracket
- Lower pivot pin
- Lower bracket
- Adjustment wrench
- Track
- Screws (not shown)



- If holes are not drilled in panels, pre-drill one hole on each outside corner of the assembly 7/16" in diameter and at least 1 1/2" deep in the locations shown.
- Tap pivots into holes with light hammer blows as shown. Secure T-nut by driving a #8 x 1" pan head screw through both holes.
- 3. Trim track to fit finished opening if necessary.
- 4. Insert the hanger into one end of the track. Loosen the screw on the top pivot bracket and position on track with the screw toward the jamb. Snap the snugger onto the track next to the hanger, opposite the top pivot bracket as shown.
- Secure the track to the head jamb with the provided #8 x 1" pan head screws through the pre-drilled holes. Move





the top pivot bracket back toward the track end until it is 1/4" from the jamb and tighten the screw.

- Position the lower bracket in the jamb, centered with the track, and secure with the provided #8 x 3/4" flat head screws.
- 7. Fold the door assembly and position the T-nut to the hanger. Using the provided wrench, screw hanger into T-nut as far as possible.
- Place the upper pivot pin into the hole in the top pivot bracket. Lift the assembly and place the lower pivot pin into the hole in the lower bracket. If installing a four door system, repeat for the other assembly. Check positioning and operation.

Verify there is a 1/4" clearance between the pivot door and the jamb. Four panel assemblies should be snug at the middle.

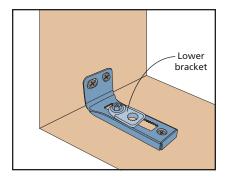
If adjustments are necessary, door panels should be folded to gain access to the adjustment screws.

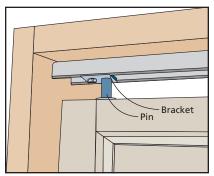
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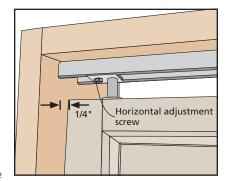
- At the top, loosen the screw in the top pivot bracket and move toward or away from the jamb until there is 1/4" clearance. Re-tighten.
- 10. At the bottom, loosen the adjustment screw and move toward or away from the jamb until doors are plumb with jamb, then retighten the screw.

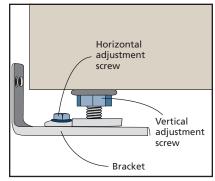
#### To adjust vertically:

11. Lift assembly slightly and rotate the adjustment screw to the right to raise doors, and to the left to lower them.









12. Slide the snugger until it is against the jamb opposite the top pivot bracket, or place between hangers in four door sets.

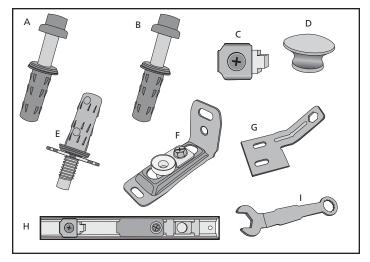
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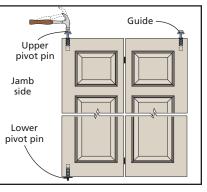
- Upper pivot pin
- Guide for track
- Snugger
- Knob
- Lower pivot pin
- Lower bracket
- Aligner
- Track
- Adjustment wrench
- Screws (not shown)

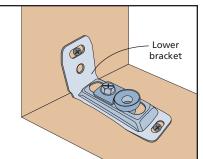


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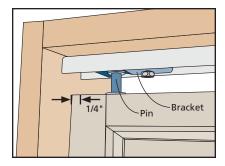
- If holes are not drilled in panels, pre-drill 7/16" in diameter holes at least 1 3/8" deep, 1 1/4" from edges as shown. Tap pivots into holes with light hammer blows as shown.
- 2. Trim track to fit finished opening length if necessary.
- 3. Secure the track to the head jamb with the provided #8 x 1" pan head screws through the pre-drilled holes.
- Position the lower bracket in the jamb, centered with the track, and secure with the provided #8 x 3/4" flat head screws.

Lead door	Pivot door 🔵
Pivot hole	Bottom of pivot door 1-1/4"





5. Place the upper pivot pin into the hole in the top pivot bracket and the guide pin into the track. Lift the assembly and place the lower pivot pin into the lower bracket. If installing a four door system, repeat for the other assembly. Check positioning and operation.



Two and four panel assemblies should have 1/4" clearance between the pivot doors and each jamb. Four panel assemblies should be snug at the middle.

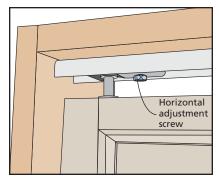
Door panels should be folded to gain access to the adjustment screws. In some cases, the doors may need to be removed to properly access the adjustment screws.

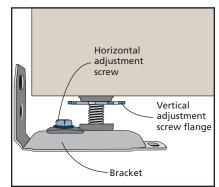
#### To adjust horizontally:

- At the top, loosen the screw in the top pivot bracket and move toward or away from the jamb until there is 1/4" clearance. Re-tighten.
- At the bottom, loosen the adjustment screw and move toward or away from the jamb until doors are plumb with jamb, then re-tighten the screw.

#### To adjust vertically:

- Lift assembly slightly and rotate the adjustment screw flange to the right to raise doors, and to the left to lower them.
- 9. Loosen the screw on the snugger and close doors. Move the snugger until it contacts the guide pin. Open doors and move the snugger an additional 1/8" toward doors and tighten screw. Doors should slightly "snap"





shut, but reopen easily with a tug on the knob.

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## INSTALLATION FOR TYPE E

## Parts Included

- Upper pivot plate (2)
- Hanger
- Snugger
- Knob
- Lower pivot pin
- Lower bracket

- Top pivot bracket
- Aligner
- Track
- Adjustment wrench

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Head

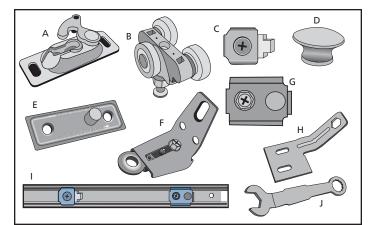
⊕⊕ Bottom of pivot door

Top pivot

bracket

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Screws (not shown)



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**| |** 5/8"

- Fasten the pivot plates to each door panel with the 1 1/4" pan head screws in the locations shown. Use the 1" flat head screws on the lower pivot pin. Center each plate on the panel.
- 2. Trim track to fit finished opening.
- 3. Install top pivot bracket into one end of the track with the pin toward the end and 2.1/4" in From t

end and 2 1/4" in. From the other end, install the hanger and snugger (with rubber bumper toward hanger) into track.

3/4"

Jamb

2 1/4"

4. Position overhead track in the opening with the open side down and the bracket end toward the jamb. Allow 3/4" between the front of the opening and the track and drive the provided 1 1/4" pan head screws through the pre-drilled holes until snug. Position the lower bracket on the floor in line with overhead track. Fasten to the jamb with a 1 1/4"

flat head screw through the middle of the top slotted hole.

- 5. Unlock the track pivot plate by pulling the latch away from the bracket. With the door assembly folded, place the pin from the top pivot bracket into the pivot plate on the pivot door. Slide the pin into the pivot plate and slide the latch to lock the pivot plate to the bracket. Verify the pin is secure. In the same manner, lock the hanger into the pivot plate on the lead door.
- 6. On the bottom, depress the arm on the lower bracket and insert the lower pivot pin.

#### To adjust horizontally:

 At the top, loosen the screw in the top pivot bracket and move toward or away from the jamb until there is 1/4" clearance. Re-tighten. Repeat the process for the lower bracket.

#### To adjust vertically:

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Snugger

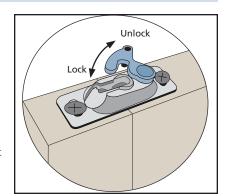
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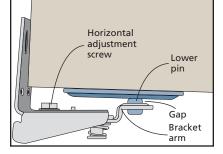
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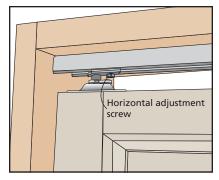
bracket

Center

 There should be a slight gap between the lower pin and the bracket. If there is no gap or the gap is too large and allows the pin to come out of the bracket, loosen the single screw in the bracket and adjust







up or down until there is a small gap and the pin is engaged in the bracket. When the bracket is properly adjusted, install the remaining two screws and tighten.

- Loosen the screw on the snugger and close doors. Move until the snugger contacts the guide pin. Open doors and move an additional 1/8" and tighten screw. Doors should slightly "snap" shut, but reopen easily with a tug on the knob.
- Adjust the snugger by closing doors, loosen screw and slide against guide in track. Open doors and move snugger 1/8 " closer to panels and tighten screw.

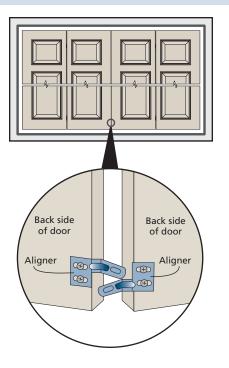
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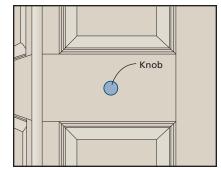
## COMPLETE INSTALLATION

For four door configurations, mount an aligner as shown on the back side of each lead door.

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For best operational performance and aesthetic appeal, install the door knob in the center of the middle rail of the lead door(s) (panel without pivot hardware). The knob, however, can also be installed in any other location on the lead door if desired. Drill a hole slightly smaller than the screw and attach knob.



**Note:** Unless drilling the knob attachment hole close to an edge on a hollow core door, it will likely be in a hollow part of the door. This does not cause problems and the door material is sufficiently strong if the screw is snug but not over tightened.

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