



Design Guidelines

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DOOR HARDWARE

A home's front door provides both the entry to the home, as well as a close-up "welcome" to the visitor. The front door is always "on display" – what is it saying about the residents?

Installing a peep hole into a door without glass panes does not require ARC approval provided:

- Only one peep hole is installed
- Peep hole is less than 0.75-inch in diameter
- Peep hole is centered between the left and right sides of the door
- Peep hole is between 36 inches and 72 inches above the bottom of the door

This Design Guideline addresses everything which is permanently mounted on a door using any form of attachment (screwed, bolted, nailed, glued or other adhesive). This includes, but is not limited to,

- Door handles
- Locks (whether incorporated into the door handle or separate)
- Kick Plates
- Door Knockers

All door hardware, except door knockers, must be of the same material and finish. Hardware finishes need to be maintained or replaced if they become dissimilar. This is particularly true for kick plates, which often deteriorate quite rapidly compared to the door handle(s). When purchasing a kick plate carefully check the specifications of surface finish determining whether the product is sufficient to battle Central Florida's weather.

Door knockers may be approved only for doors which contain no glass lites. When installed, door knockers must be centered between the sides of the door and mounted between 60 and 66 inches above the bottom of the door. Door knockers may be any material which is complementary to other hardware installed on the door.