

## Filling or Repairing a Crack or Split in a Frame Instructions

## SUGGESTED TOOLS AND SUPPLIES NEEDED

Plain white paper

Clean, soft cloth

C-Clamp

Hammer

Drill

Stain pen

Fil-Stick

1/8" drill bit

Sand paper

Utility knife

Wood glue

Toothpicks

Safety Glasses \*\*

Plastic card

## Filling a crack or split:

\*\*If filling a crack or split that appears to be solid and does not appear to need wood glue proceed to Step 1.

\*\*If filling a crack or split that does not appear to be solid and will require wood glue proceed to Step 1 on page 2.

- 1. Remove doors and hinges. Set aside.
- 2. To fill a crack or split caused by a screw(s), use a utility knife to remove all loose fibers from around the crack.



Step #2

3. Completely fill the crack or split with a Fil-Stik.



Step #3

4. Remove any excess filler and level the repair using a plastic card.

If repair isn't flush with surrounding wood, repeat steps 3 and 4.



Step #4

<sup>\*\*</sup>Wear safety glasses. Failure to do so could result in injury.

5. Lightly sand the repair area with plain white paper.



Step #5

Color the repair using a stain pen.
 Stroke in the direction of the wood grain.
 Promptly wipe off excess colorant with a clean, soft cloth.

Repeat step 6 until desired color is achieved.



Step #6

## Repairing a crack or split caused by a screw:

- Using a toothpick, dip toothpick in glue and fill in the crack.
  You may need to use another toothpick as a wedge and apply
  light pressure to create a gap in the crack or split.
  Lightly tap in place using a hammer.
- Remove any excess wedge (if applicable) and glue using a damp cloth. Allow glue to fully dryapproximately 1 hour.



Step #1

- 3. Place a small block of wood on either side of crack or split and secure with a C-Clamp. Failure to use blocks could result in damage to your cabinet. Allow to dry at least 2 hours.
- 4. Lightly sand if needed using plain white paper.



Step #5

Color the repair using a stain pen.
 Stroke in the direction of the wood grain.
 Promptly wipe off excess colorant with a clean, soft cloth.

Repeat step 5 until desired color is achieved.



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