

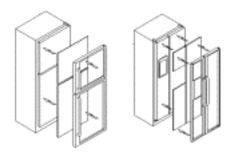
# Frigo Refrigerator Installation Instructions

One Piece Frame & Panel Set One Piece Frame Set **Panel Set** 

Top Mount, Side by Side, Bottom Mount Models

Thank you for choosing a Frigo Design designer appliance Frame & Panel Set. Each and every Set is custom built and designed for ease of installation. Your Set is a high quality product that will give you years of satisfaction.

It is important for you to read and understand the instructions before you begin installation.



Top or Bottom Models

Side by Side Models

#### Stainless Steel Shell-Seamless, Trim-less Set

Kit consists of: Two (2) custom-built panel shells (P1- fits freezer door, P2- fits fresh food door) Adhesive strips are applied on all inside edges and front. One (1) tubular handle is pre-mounted on each shell.

## One Piece Frame Only Set One Piece Frame & Panel Set

Consists of: two (2) custom-built one piece frames with Tubular Handles pre-mounted at factory.

(1-freezer door, 1- fresh food door)

Adhesive strips are applied on all inside edges. Dependent on Make & Model refrigerator Set includes: 2-3 custom Panels.

Consists of: two (2) custom-built one piece frames with Tubular Handles. Adhesive strips are applied on all

inside edges.

To be used with panels provided by customer

#### **Panel Set**

Consists of 2-3 custom built Panels.

To be used with appliances that are equipped with factory installed trim.

#### **CAUTION SHARP EDGES**

When handling panels, it is recommended that you use caution and wear gloves, especially when handling Stainless Steel panels.

Tools and materials needed: (vary upon Make & Model appliance)

Putty knife, Phillip's screwdriver, Flat head screwdriver, Torx screwdriver (bit size 15 & 20 ), Pliers, Socket set or nutdriver.

# **Step 1: Removing Trim, Plugs and Handles**

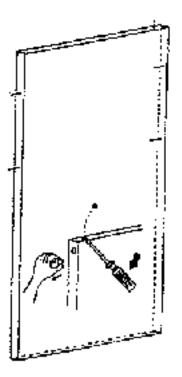
Remove nameplate and any decorative trim. This may be held on by screws or adhesive tape. A putty knife or screwdriver covered with masking tape should be used for removal.

Note: Do not peel protective covering from the Signature Stainless Steel Set at this time. Remove Covering after Step 5 is completed. DO NOT REMOVE CORRIGATED

Using a flat head screwdriver, remove all plugs and plastic inserts from front face of door and all door edges. The number of plugs and inserts vary by Make and Model of appliance.

Be sure to remove all plugs on bottom edge of door. (Figure 1)

Remove existing handles. Handles are attached with screws or adhesive, dependent on Make & Model of appliance. You may need to remove decorative cover on handle to access screws.



(Figure 2) Common handle types

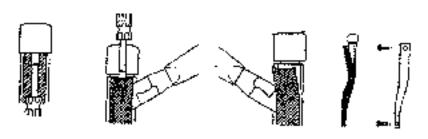


Figure 2

Since there are different types/styles of handle assemblies used by various manufacturers, please refer to your appliance owners manual for "handle removal" instructions.

#### **Step 2: Cleaning Doors**

Before installing Kit, wash all areas of doors to remove manufacturer- applied oil film. Use mineral spirits or a 50/50 solution of rubbing alcohol and water.

Failure to clean surfaces may result in poor adhesion

Do not remove protective paper from adhesive until instructed- See Step 4

IMPORTANT: Specific WOOD Panel dimensions required to fit precisely with the specific One Piece Frame ordered, are available from Frigo at no

# Step 3: Preparing Panels for Installing

Peel back protective covering on the front of panels approximately 1-2 inches from all four sides.(Figure 3)



#### **Step 4: Installing Panel Sets**

This step refers to the installation of only panels on to a refrigerator that is equipped with trim provided by the refrigerator manufacturer. Please refer to your refrigerator owner's manual for proper instructions covering the removal & re-installation of their trim and Panel installation

When trim is removed, the custom built and sized Panels will "slide" into position.

Step 5: Installing Signature Stainless Set or One Piece Frames & Panel Set or One Piece Frame

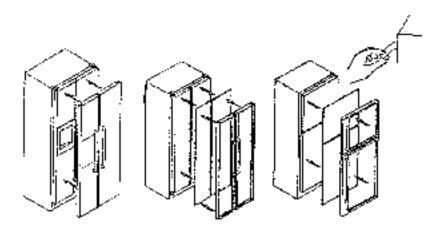
Signature Stainless Steel Set does not have individual or separate Panels.

It is a one piece formed shell. Therefore, follow all the installation instructions in Step 5, Exception: Please disregard information

## Side by Side Models with Ice & water Dispenser

Do not yet remove covering from adhesive strips on all the edges of the frames.

Slide **One Piece Frame** over freezer door, making sure that the adhesive tabs are sticking out from each corner. Top edge of frame has a horseshoe cut out to fit around the top door hinge. Now, check to see if frame fits properly on door. Frame should fit "snug" and even on all sides of the door. Tilt top of the frame away from the top of the door enough to insert the panel into back of the frame. The Panel side with the protective paper peeled away from the edges (Step 5) should be facing out. Tilt frame and panel back into position on door. If door is equipped with an Ice & water Dispenser, make sure panel is positioned evenly around Ice & Water Dispenser molding. When frame & panel are positioned correctly, <u>carefully</u> remove the masking tape holding the adhesive tabs to the side of the Frame. Then slowly pull the adhesive tabs, up along the Frame, to remove protective covering from the adhesive on all four sides of the frame. Apply firm pressure with your hand along edges to affix adhesive to door edges. **Figure 4** Repeat procedure for other door.



If after installation is completed, if the doors rub against one another, it will be necessary for you to adjust the door spacing. See Step 6

# **Top/Bottom Mount Models**

Each frame is equipped with a precision cut hole/cut-out on top edge of frame, for accepting the refrigerator hinge pin. Therefore it will be necessary to remove the doors from the refrigerator cabinet prior to panel installation.

Remove plastic decorative cover from top hinge. Then remove screws securing hinge and remove hinge. Lifting up on door will allow you to remove door from cabinet.

Remove screws from center/middle hinge and remove hinge, allowing you to lift off bottom door.

Place doors on a flat work area and follow the same installation & alignment procedures as described above for the installation of the one piece frame & panel on a Side by Side model.

After panels are installed on doors, place bottom door over bottom hinge pin and then re-install center hinge. Place top door over center hinge pin and re-install top hinge. It is important that the doors are aligned level, so that the spacing between the doors is even and to insure that doors are seated properly. See Step 7

# Step 6: Door Spacing

If doors rub against each other when opening, you will need to re-space them. Take two (2) one foot pieces of corrugated cardboard (use pieces of box kit was sent in) and fold in half. Starting with the freezer side door loosen, but do not remove, the screws holding the top hinge. Place one piece of the folded cardboard about 15 inches down from top and the other piece of cardboard 15 inches from bottom as shown.



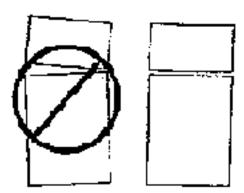
Figure 5

Close the doors as far as possible and tighten down the hinge screws. This should create a wider space between doors, so that doors don't rub together. If sufficient space was not gained, repeat the process on the other door. Using the two (2) pieces of cardboard will prevent the door from hanging unevenly.

### **Step 7: Door Alignment**

After you have installed the panels, and especially if your refrigerator was a top/bottom mount model, where it was necessary to remove doors for installation of panels, it is important to make sure doors are level and are seated in the correct position.

#### Figure 6



By loosening the screws holding the top hinges, positioning the doors so that the gap between the doors is even, and then tightening back up the screws, should insure correct door alignment.

#### Step 8: Cleaning Panels

After removing protective covering from panels, it is important that you do not use an ammonia-based cleaner to clean the Acrylic or Stainless Steel Panels.

Use ONLY Novus 1 Anti-static Cleaner specifically formulated for Acrylic panels. (packet included in Set)

Use Novus 2 Scratch Remover or Novus 3 Heavy Duty Scratch Remover for removing scratches from Acrylic Panels. (packet of Novus 2 included in Set)



Use ONLY a cleaner specially formulated for Stainless Steel, such as Stainless Steel Magic. *Cleaners are available through Frigo Design.* 

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