

# 2022 Installation Instructions for In-the wall Frameless Single Cabinets

Tools Needed:	Stud Finder, Tape Measure, Pencil, Hammer, drill, 1/2" Drill Bit, Phillips Screwdriver, Phillips Tip, and Drywall Saw
01	Your cabinet comes to you with the cabinet box already assembled and pre-finished in white. Depending on the product ordered, your door may be unfinished, primed, or already pre-finished in a color. If your door is unfinished or primed, remove the hinges and store them in a safe place with the screws. Then paint or stain the door as desired. Primed doors can only be painted, not stained. If you want to add hardware to your door after painting or staining, it will be easier to drill for the necessary holes with the door off of the cabinet.
02	Use a stud finder to locate where the studs are in your wall. If possible, you'll want your product to go between the studs so that you do not have to cut through a stud.
03	Measure the back of your unit and cut a template from scrap newspaper to those measurements, it is easier than trying to hold the cabinet up and keep it level. Place the template/product on the wall and trace around it with a pencil. Cut the hole in the drywall using a drill and drywall saw. Use a drill to drill a hole in each corner of the rectangle, then insert drywall saw into each drilled hole and cut to the next one. (see figure A) Do not frame the top and bottom of the cabinet with 2x4 wall bracing. It is not needed and will be in the way if you have a powered cabinet.
04	Insert the cabinet into the wall and press it into place. Do not FORCE the cabinet into the wall by pressing on the back panel or you will void your warranty and damage the cabinet. If your opening is not large enough, see if you can enlarge it slightly so that the cabinet fits, or STOP and contact us for help. Use the long 3" screws (Pre-Installed Mounting Screws) to screw through the two mounting holes on each side of the cabinet into the studs on either side.
05	Hinge mounting holes have been pre-drilled on either side of the cabinet so that it is reversible. Mount the door on whichever side you desire. Remove the cover cap on each hinge. (See figure F) Re-attach your hinges if you have taken them off of the door. WHITE PLASTIC SPACERS MUST REMAIN ON THE HINGE TO AVOID THE DOOR RUBBING ON THE PLASTIC TRIM SURROUND WHEN OPENING AND CLOSING. (See Figure E) Have a partner help you by holding the door into place while you do the installation, it's easier! Place the door on the side of the cabinet and line up the hinges with the hinge holes marked on that side of the cabinet box. Screw the 3/4" screws (Hardware Bag labeled "Hinge screws") into the hinge hole (see figure C). The hinge should be resting right on the FRONT edge of the cabinet box itself.
06	Install your plastic shelf supports (Hardware package labeled - Shelf supports) at the desired locations (See figure D) and insert the shelves into place. Replace hinge cover caps.



Figure A.



Figure C.

Our custom designed shelf supports keep the shelves in place and do not allow the shelves to rock or come off the supports. Simply slide your shelves in and out of them.



Figure D.

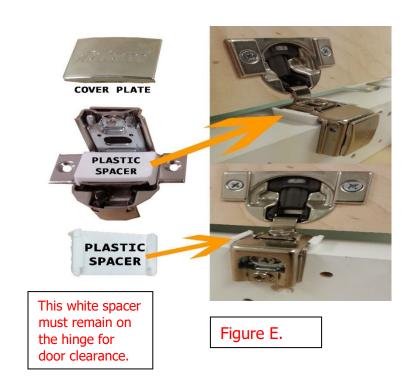




Figure F.

# **Hints and Tips for a Great Installation**

We use a one-piece Blum concealed hinge with a built-in Blumotion soft close option. The hinges are installed on all the doors. Due to various sizes of cabinets and doors, we may ship the door separately from the cabinet to ensure the door and hinges will arrive intact and undamaged.

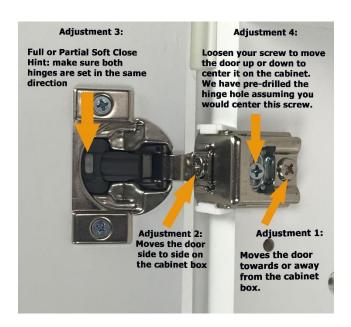




(Exception: Cabinets with slab MDF Doors which must be painted) If this is the cabinet style you purchased the hinges are located in the hardware bag labeled "MDF Door". They only mount one way in the door. Then follow the mounting procedures above.

### **Hinge Adjustments**

#### There are 4 adjustments on this hinge. See image below



Adjustment #1 - Use this screw to move the door towards or away from the front of the cabinet box (to close the gap between the door and the box). It will only turn about ¼ turn either way.

Adjustment #2 – Use this screw to move the door side to side. It will only turn about ¼ turn either way.

Adjustment #3 – This switch is for full soft close or partial soft close. See tips on last page.

Adjustment #4 – You can loosen your hinge mounting screw and adjust the door slightly up or down, then re-tighten the screw.

## **Troubleshooting Tips**

Occasionally, we have received customer concerns over doors that do not close properly or do not close all the way. There are usually only about five reasons for a door to not close properly and we have covered each one below.



<u>Soft close hinges are incorrectly setup:</u> There is a gray selector switch in the cup of the hinge as illustrated in the picture above. This switch needs to be in the same direction on both hinges. The switch is a mechanism for 75% closure speed or 25% closure speed meaning it slows the door down when closing at 75% open or 25% open. That is the point where the internal mechanism catches the doors and slows down its closing process.



<u>Hinge spacers have been removed:</u> We use a white plastic hinge spacer on our frameless cabinets. This spacer ensures that the hinges have enough clearance so the edge of the door does not rub on the plastic trim surround of the cabinet box. **DO NOT REMOVE THESE SPACERS**, they are there for a reason.



Walls are not perfectly flat: In most remodeling projects the beginning surface is not perfectly flat or square despite how it may look. Thus, once the screws are tightened into the side studs it can cause the cabinet box to be bowed or tweaked that can also cause the door to not close properly. Check for plum(level) or square of the installed cabinet. If either of these seem out of line Re-adjust the tension of the mounting screws on the cabinet and or shim around the box to eliminate the binding of the cabinet door.



The door is warped: Solid wood doors do occasionally warp due to the final drying of the wood. There is a simple test you can perform to ensure that your door is not warped. Remove the hinges by taking out the four screws holding them in. The hinges will then just pull out (though they do fit in the holes tightly). Now lay the door down face up on a flat surface such as a table or counter. If the door can rock from corner to corner, it may be warped. 98% of doors will lay perfectly flat. Push down on each corner. If the door rocks, check to see how much it is coming up off the counter. Anything more than 1/8" is a warped door. Anything less than 1/8" is within tolerances and is NOT warped.



<u>Hinge manufacturing defects:</u> All Blum hinges are manufactured to the highest quality standard, and are the leader in the industry. However, occasionally we have run across a hinge that something just wasn't quite right on it. In these instances, replacing the hinge took care of the problem. It is extremely rare to have a defective hinge, but it can happen. If nothing else solves the problem, the hinges could be at fault. Please call us for a replacement hinge.

# Still have questions or need help?



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