## Classic Series Basement Door

## Replacement Header Instructions

The Classic Series Basement Door has been recently redesigned with a new header. The new header features built-in gussets at each end for enhanced weather-tightness as shown in Figure 1 below.

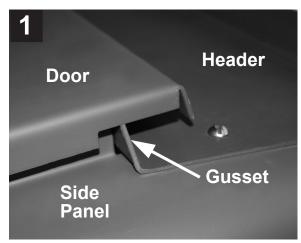
Your replacement header is equipped with the gussets on each end. In some cases, particularly with older door models, there may be some interference between the gussets and the door panels. If you have problems closing your doors once the new header is installed, the door leaves will need to be modified as shown in Figure 2 below. First, determine the amount of cover material that needs to be removed to clear the header gusset. Remove the material using a metal file or saw as required. Prime and paint areas of exposed metal after door has been modified to prevent corrosion.

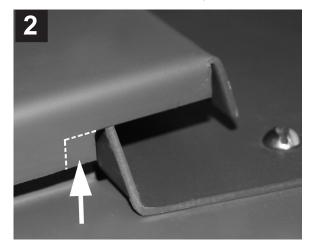
**IMPORTANT:** With header panel fully installed, caulk vertical seam between header and sidepieces on both sides as shown in Figure 3. Use exterior grade, paintable, silicone caulk.

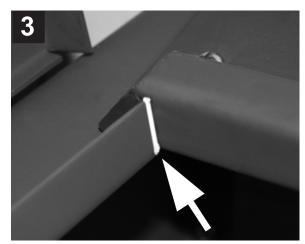
## **Painting Instructions**

BILCO Basement doors are supplied in either a red oxide primer or powder coat paint finish. If your door has a powder coat finish, no additional finishing is required.

IMPORTANT: Doors supplied with a primer finish must be painted within forty-five (45) days of installation. BILCO requires the use an exterior alkyd base enamel. For best results, carefully follow the directions on the paint label and apply one thin coat of paint followed by a second coat on both the exterior and interior primered steel surfaces of the door. Two quarts should be sufficient to coat the entire door. Application of paints that are not alkyd based may void product warranty.









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