



Latch Instructions for Polystyrene Hives (for single box)

Assembly Time: 10-15 minutes

You will need:

- Drill with Philips head bit (recommended) or standard Philips head screwdriver.

Latch Kit Components:

- 2-Latch catch
- 2-Latch stirrup
- 2-Hinged Latches
- *Note: Hinged latch and Latch stirrup may be attached. See page 2 for a picture.
- 12-1" screws for latch assembly

Instructions

1. Please ensure you have all the components.
2. Paint equipment
After assembly but before you install the latch hardware, paint the hive to protect the exterior surfaces. Paint any surface that is exposed to the outside elements including the outer cover and bottom board. Use latex based exterior paint.
3. Install latch hardware
Once the paint is dry, you can install the latch hardware. Use the 1" screws and screw into the pre-formed plastic inserts with guide holes on the short sides of the deep boxes and outer cover.

First, attach the latch stirrups to the latch (this may already be done for you). Do not screw these all the way down the latch as you risk breaking the hardware when you attach the hive components. You can adjust these when you put the hive together by screwing or unscrewing the latch stirrup on the latch.

Install the following hardware on each short side. See pictures below:

- On the deep that is attached to the bottom board install the latch only on the upper guide holes.
- On the upper deep install both a latch (on the top) and a latch catch.
- On the outer cover install a latch catch.



Please note: Latches are not designed to be attached from the bottom board to the bottom deep box. The bottom board is designed to screw into the bottom box.

