

# Preparation & Painting of the Finials

Refurbishment of existing caps and roundels is pretty straightforward, requiring removal of all existing paint and corrosion. Whilst hand abrasion is possible the best method is grit/sand blasting as this technique removes all the paint from the detail and provides for a perfect substrate profile for repainting. We can prepare and paint the caps and roundels this way ready for assembly.

Cast iron polos may require some rust prevention coating. Alloy finials will require a suitable etch primer or special materials primer suitable for aluminium alloys, etc.

New alloy roundels are cast in green sand and emerge in a fairly rough state: requiring fettling / filing to remove excess alloy and either wire brushed or sand blasted to reveal the detail. However, we or the foundry can do this and finish the job either ready to paint or painted.



Aluminium alloys must be primed with an etch primer, followed by two coats of quality paint system eg Rustoleum combiprimer / combicolor. Black lettering etc can be applied after the white background using a brush or sponge/roller: both require a steady hand!