Tile Woodbridge® Shower Pans Installation Guide

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To help guide you through the shower pan installation process, we have provided the following Installation Guide, which is intended to provide an easy to follow step by step process for the installation of your Tile Woodbridge[®] shower pan, whether you are a professional or a first time novice. In connection with your shower base and shower project, please comply with the recommendations and standards established for such projects from time to time by the Tile Council of North America, Inc.

INSTALLATION INSTRUCTION FOR SHOWER PAN WITH PVC OR ABS DRAIN:

- 1. Frame out shower stall area to shower pan dimensions.
- 2. Sweep out any debris from sub floor.
- 3. Test fit shower pan drain housing into subfloor bore hole.
- 4. Make sure the shower pan is aligned properly and fits snuggly against the shower frame studs on all sides.
- 5. This step depends on whether there is access to the drain connection from below the subfloor
 - a. If there is access from the subfloor below, then cut a section of drain pipe (PVC or ABS, as applicable to the type of drain) which is long enough to extend below the subfloor and easily make a connection to the waste water pipe.
 - b. **If there is no access from the subfloor below**, then make sure the drain pipe stubbed up from the subfloor is adjusted to a height sufficient to fit properly into the shower pan drain connection.
- 6. Turn the shower pan over and note that there are ribs under the shower pan floor. Please measure the depth of the ribs under the shower pan floor from the rib bottoms that rest on the substrate to the underside of the pan floor at the deepest point in between the ribs. Once you have that value, calculate the thickness (depth) of your mortar base (Portland cement /sand mix) by subtracting **1/8**" from deepest rib measured above.

Please note, do not place the mortar directly on a wood substrate. First, waterproof the wood substrate with a waterproofing membrane, liner, or sheet rock so the wood does not absorb the water from the mortar.

Spread the mortar base EVENLY ACROSS THE SUBFLOOR AT THE THICKNESS CALCULATED FROM STEP 6, and offset ³/₄" from each outside edge of the pan. NOTE: The mortar base should have a consistency close to peanut butter for best results.

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- a. If there is access from the subfloor below and you followed step 5.a. above, then brush PVC or ABS adhesive on the outside of the cut drain pipe and quickly insert into drain connection, and then be sure the drain pipe extends far enough below the subfloor so it can be conveniently connected to the waste water pipe following the installation.
- b. If there is no access from the subfloor below and you followed step 5.b. above then brush PVC or ABS adhesive on the drain pipe stubbed up from the subfloor, then quickly insert the stubbed up drain pipe properly into the shower pan drain.
- 8. Place the pan in the mud base and firmly but gently shimmy the pan into the mud so that (i) the drain is fully supported by mud at the bore hole in the substrate, and (ii) the ribs are completely filled with the mud by alternately applying hand pressure to the right and left side of the pan floor until the pan ribs contact the subfloor. Level all pan sides and the let the mortar dry overnight. Important: DO NOT STEP INTO THE SHOWER PAN ONCE IT IS PLACED IN THE MORTAR BASE UNTIL THE MORTAR HAS CURED COMPLETELY.
- 9. Install the shower backer board and water proofing in accordance with the standards established by the Tile Council of North America, Inc.
- 10. Seal and waterproof joint between backer board and the shower pan splash walls with using 100% silicone.
- 11. Adjust the height of the drain as necessary to accommodate the ceramic tile or marble.
- 12. Mix the included approved adhesive and trowel the epoxy onto the shower pan surface using a 1/8" x 1/8" square notch trowel.
- 13. Tile the rest of the shower.

Surface Preparation:

Surface must be sound, stable and free from dust, grease or any other contamination.

Mixing:

First pour 1.5 liters of clean water into a clean container; then slowly add 13 lbs of MAPEI[®] TILE ADHESIVE into the container. Mix with a low-speed mechanical stirrer to obtain a smooth paste free of lumps. Leave to slake for 5-10 minutes before remixing again. The paste is then ready for use.

Application:

Apply the MAPEI[®] TILE ADHESIVE paste with a correct-size notched trowel on to the surface, and lay tiles with a firm pressure within 10-15 minutes. The pot life is about 8 hours. Ready for grouting after 24 hours at temperature of +73.4F or +23 $^{\circ}$ C.

Approximate Consumption:

0.41-0.82 lbs/sqft of mixed adhesive or more depending on tile sizes and quality of surface conditions.

Curing Time:

Ready for light traffic: after 24 hours;

Ready for use: after approximately 14 days.

Shelf Life:

12 months in the original unopened packaging in a dry and ventilated place.

Further information:

This product contains cement. It is known that when cement is in contact with sweat or other body fluids, it can cause an alkaline reaction. Therefore when using this product, any contact with eyes or skin must be carefully avoided by the use of gloves and protection eye ware. For further information, see the technical data sheet or contact the local distributor.

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