

How to fit a Wet Room shower base..!

Simple Installation Guide WOODEN FLOORS

Shower Bases - Sprung Joist & Wooden Floors, fitted at joist top level.

NOTE -Only a RIVERBED Wet Room System is this simple. Other systems require greater knowledge, skill & experience to achieve a perfect finish.



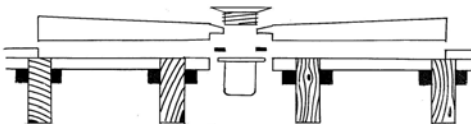
Your original floor will look something like this.!

Preparation

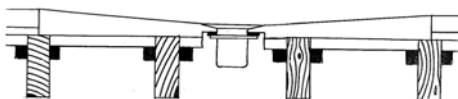


1. Decide where the base will be fitted, & mark out on the floor, including the hole for the waste.
2. Remove the floorboard, fit noggins (supports), trim & refit board level with the top of the joist.
3. Ensure this supporting area is flat & level so the shower base can be fully supported.

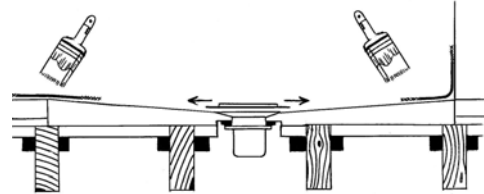
Installation



1. Fit the drain body to the 2" waste pipe, & place the rubber seal on top of the trap.
2. Bed down the shower base completely level using a suitable, good quality solvent free adhesive (e.g. flexible tile adhesive)
3. Positively align the shower base in line, & over the drain body before the adhesive sets.
4. Screw the drain top section through the shower base with the key. Tape the key in place to stop debris falling into the waste & trap.
5. Take particular care to ensure the shower base is completely level across all four sides.
6. Use a suitable material to pack out the finished floor so it is level with the shower base.



7. Seal gaps & joints with a combination of waterproof flexible liquid tanking membrane (or "Rubber Paint") and 'Rubberised' mesh sealing tape.
 - o Apply 'rubber paint' to the edge of the base, to secure the joint sealing tape.
 - o A second layer of 'rubber paint' correctly applied over the sealing tape will create a seamless & waterproof barrier, ready for tiles to be fitted.



8. Use the "Rubber Paint" and Sealing Tape to bridge gaps & seal joints between different areas on all surrounding surfaces (walls or floor) that are at risk of water ingress. Repeat as desired.

Finishing

1. Tiles should be cut & laid so that the slope leading to the drain is maintained, especially along the 4 x, V shaped valleys.
2. When tiling, use suitable, good quality, flexible tile adhesive.
3. Large tiles will allow a quicker installation, & will reduce the risk of subsequent water ingress.
4. The outlet cover is secured with adhesive when tiling, & the unique floating design allows re-positioning to ensure a perfect finish.
5. Use the highest quality grout to fill gaps between tiles.

NOTE :-

Tiles are the first & most important line of defence against water ingress. Choose the wrong tile & all of the hard work 'tanking' and waterproofing the room will be wasted. Therefore take extra care when choosing the tiles, & consider the following:

- Waterproof membranes should not be relied upon as the only method of sealing a room.
- Some natural materials are very porous, & allow water through. Use a Tile Materials Choice Guide.

Additionally

- Do not use 'gully only' systems unless you will create a clear gradient leading to the outlet.
- Avoid systems with dished or variable gradient floors, unless you are prepared to use smaller 'mosaic' type floor tiles they demand, & the increased risks (more gaps) these tiles bring.