

# Installation Instructions

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#### Read all instructions before beginning.

Follow our handy installation guide to find out the correct way of properly mounting this product. It is the responsibility of any individual who installs or maintains this product to fully understand and follow proper installation and maintenance procedures. Safety precautions should be taken to mitigate the inherent dangers in the use of power tools when installing this product.

#### Work in a safe manner

The recommended installation of these panels suggests using power tools. Do not use power tools without proper safety training. If necessary, hire or consult a trained professional. Having a helper onsite will make several steps of the process easier.

Do not use nails or screws on this product. We recommend mounting of panels to walls with Loctite Power Grab Tub Surround Construction Adhesive. Never use hammers, nails, or screws. Hammers, nails and screws could adversely affect the integrity of this product. Nails and screws could puncture the panels, resulting in water or other damage to floors, pipes, walls or other portions of your building or home. You will need approximately 5 tubes of adhesive.

#### Check the condition of the walls

Thoroughly check the walls to make sure they are dry and free of mold before installation of the panels.

#### Prepare the Walls

Not following all wall surface preparation instructions could cause the panels to break free from the wall surface after installation, potentially causing personal injury. Failure to follow these instructions could result in water damage to installation area.

Walls should be solid, plumb, and square within 1/8" of true and constructed from moisture resistant drywall.

# Never install this product directly on any surface that is, or may become, wet or damp.

#### **Grab Bars**

If installing grab bars, you must anchor them behind the panels to structural supports. The panels will not support grab bars.

#### Storage

Store panels vertically in original packaging until installation to prevent warping.

#### Opening the package

Open the box carefully to avoid damaging the panels. Immediately inspect the panels for shipping damage. If you find damage report it immediately to your purchasing location.

Move this product to a safe area until ready to install to prevent jobsite damage.

# When ready for install use the included cardboard as a working surface to protect the panels

Installing damaged product will void the warranty.

#### Transporting

Transport panels vertically. Carefully lay the panels flat to prevent flexing, take extra care if panels have a cut-out in them.

#### **Preparation Tips**

Prepare the area with moisture-resistant drywall. When using with Jetta Loft tub stop the drywall at the top of the tile flange.

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After installing waterproof backing boards. Measure the width of the back wall. This measurement cannot be larger than the width of the back panel

Measure the location of the plumbing cut-outs from the back wall forward and from the deck of the tub upward.

Dry fit the side panels before you begin. The gray side should be against the sub-wall with the white tile pattern as the finished side. **Place side panels** with the longer tiles in the corner to ensure all grout lines match in the corners.

Clean the waterproof backer board of any dirt, film, waxes, or any other residues.

Ensure that the bathtub is levelled during installation for the top of the panels to line up correctly.

# Installation of the Panels Back Panel

Measure the back wall at top, bottom and middle.

If the back wall measures less than the width of the panel, cut the panel to fit the opening.

With the tile pattern side face down on a stable surface, with protective plastic still attached to the panel, mask the edge you will cut with tape. This should be done on the gray side of the panel. Use a circular saw with a 60-80 tooth carbide blade to slowly cut the panel.

Hold the panel steady as you cut. Wear safety glasses anytime power tools are in use.

Cutting the back panel 1/4" shorter than the wall will ensure the back panel lays flat. The 1/8" gap on each side will be covered by the side panels. **Do not force a panel to fit in a bowed or curved wall**.

Dry fit the back panel and make any adjustments.

Remove protective film and tape from the panel. With a soft dry cloth remove any dust or debris from the back side of the panel.

# **IMPORTANT NOTICE**

Do not use oil-based cleaners, such as mineral spirits, to clean the panels. The oil in the cleaner will prevent the panel from adhering properly to the wall.

Using Loctite Power Grab Tub Surround Construction Adhesive apply a generous line approximately 1" in from outer edges, then apply a grid of dollops to cover the rest of the surface of the back of the panel. Using a Polyester Adhesive Roller cover smooth out the adhesive.

Move the back panel into place on the backwall of the tub and set into flush with the deck of the tub, covering the tile flange.

Once the back panel is in place, starting on one side and using firm pressure slide your hands from the top of the panel to the bottom to smooth out the adhesive, remove any air pockets, and allow the panel to bond to the wall.

#### **IMPORTANT NOTICE**

Any cut out for accessories should have rounded corners (sharp corners can promote stress cracks).

Side Panels Tip – using the larger tiles of the side panels near the back corners will ensure grout lines match.

Measure the side walls at the top, bottom and middle and mark for cutting. Use the cutting method as described for the back panel.

Holes for shower controls should be marked and cut with the protective film and making in place using a hole saw with the drill in the reverse setting to prevent shards.

Dry fit the panels and make any adjustments.

Remove plastic from the panel and wipe away any dust or debris.

Apply adhesive in the same manner as described for the back panel.

Set both side panels in place.

# **Final Caulking**

# **IMPORTANT NOTICE**

Follow the manufacturer's instructions on the tube for proper application. Allow at least 24 hours for silicone to set before using the shower enclosure. You will need approximately 3 tubes of silicone.

- 1. Apply 100% White Silicone sealant to all inside seams.
- 2. Apply 100% White Silicone sealant to the exterior edges. This silicone sealant is non-paintable

The installation is now complete. DO NOT discard these installation instructions. Please leave with the homeowner.

# Care and Cleaning Day-To-Day Clean-up

Wipe the surface with a soft cloth to remove watermarks and residues. You can clean all Jetta products with warm water, a soft cloth, and liquid dish soap. Always rinse off cleaners within five minutes of application.

You can find added cleaning tips at Jettacorp.com/FAQ

# **Caulking Joints**

Inspect caulking joints monthly for signs of deterioration or damage. Separations in caulking will allow water to leak into the surrounding surfaces. Caulking should be reapplied to any joint showing signs of wear. Failure to inspect and repair caulking joints will void the warranty

You can find full warranty information at jettacorp.com/warranty



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