IMI Standard Shower Base Installation

Measure the cavity and allow for 1/2" front to back and side to side for the base to fit.

All shower bases rest on sub-floors, not finished floors. IMI's shower bases have been custom designed to drain properly if installed on a level surface. Fiberglass flange has been attached to ensure the shower base will not leak in case there is a drain obstruction and water overflows the base. This keeps water from getting behind the base into the wall and subfloor. (see Figure. A)



Figure. A. Attached flange/leak-proof fiberglass edge of shower base.

INSTALLERS PLEASE NOTE: Most floors are not level. It is best to check the floor for level before installing the shower base. If the floor is not level, float the floor with mortar or other suitable material before setting the base. Allow this material to dry before setting the base.

If the floor is level, set the shower base and check to make sure it is level it in all four directions: front to back, side to side, and diagonally each direction and shim the necessary areas to level it. Check the shower base by setting the level on top of the curb, not into the base. The floor where the shower base is to be installed should be clean and free of dust and debris, which could cause it to rock.

The plumber should connect the drain to the shower base and set the base in place. Substrate material (sheet rock, etc.) should not be installed until after the plumber has connected the plumbing to the base. The substrate material should stop ABOVE the flange of the pan, never in front or behind the flange. (see Figure B).

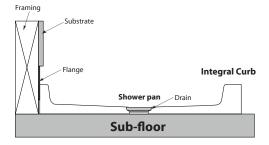


Figure B. Cross-section view of the shower base installation with substrate material shown.

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