

# **Installation** guide

40mm Standard Linear Shower Tray

90mm Substrate Element

## Important Information

**PLEASE READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS THOROUGHLY BEFORE STARTING INSTALLATION.**

If your product has slightly damaged edges, there is no need to return the product as these can easily be repaired and most minor damage will naturally be covered during installation. Should you need to patch a repair that won't be naturally covered you should do so in the same way as you would seal a joint with Waterproofing Tape (EMTM-05-0010) and Pro-DRY Tape Sealer (EMAS-10-0005).

**DO NOT PLACE STEP LADDERS OR HEAVY ITEMS ONTO THE SHOWER TRAY OR OTHER ELEMENTS PRODUCTS, PRIOR TO TILLING, AS THIS COULD PUNCH A HOLE THROUGH THE SURFACE.**

When you are ready to start, make sure that you have the right tools to hand and that the installation area is clean and dry.

When drilling or fixing into walls or floors it is essential that you check for pipes and wires before commencing.

**DO NOT CLIP THE WASTE INTO POSITION WITHIN THE TRAY UNTIL INSTRUCTED TO DO SO IN THE INSTRUCTIONS THAT FOLLOW; THE WASTE CLIPS INTO THE TRAY SECURELY AND IS NOT DESIGNED TO BE REMOVED, THEREFORE THIS MAY CAUSE DAMAGE TO THE TRAY LUGS AND/ OR WASTE IF THIS WARNING IS IGNORED. ABACUS ELEMENTS CANNOT BE HELD LIABLE FOR ISSUES ARISING DUE TO DAMAGE CAUSED IN THIS WAY.**

### Site Preparation

All floor types need to be clean, dry and dust free.

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Prior to installation you will need to have access to a wastepipe in the correct position. Please ensure that the wastepipe is accessible and any alterations to the floor are completed prior to installation.

If you are running your pipe work below the floor, the waste pipe must run in the same direction as your floor joists so please check your joists before starting installation.

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# Installation Instructions

## 40mm Linear Shower Tray

### Parts Supplied

| Description      |   | Qty |
|------------------|---|-----|
| Shower Tray      |  | 1   |
| Shower Tray Base |  | 1   |

### Typical Parts Required (Fitting Kit)

| Description                       |   | Qty |
|-----------------------------------|---|-----|
| Shower Drain Base                 |    | 1   |
| Shower Drain Angled Coupler       |    | 1   |
| Shower Drain Reducer              |    | 1   |
| Shower Drain Stop End             |    | 1   |
| Shower Drain Vertical Waste Elbow |   | 1   |
| Shower Drain Internal Bowl        |  | 1   |
| Shower Drain Top                  |  | 1   |
| Shower Drain Bolts                |  |     |
| Shower Drain Finishing Grate      |  |     |
| Disposable Tiling Aid             |  | 1   |

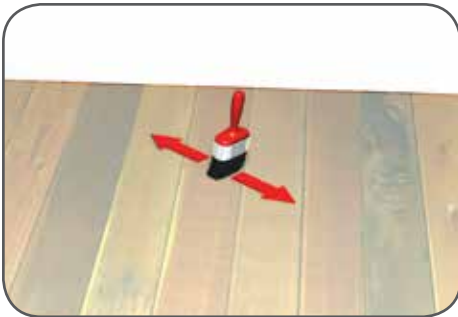
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| Description                   |   | Qty |
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| Fix-KST Adhesive Bag (5kg)    |    | 2   |
| Wood Floor Primer (250ml)     |    | 1   |
| Fix-MD Adhesive Tube (310ml)  |    | 1   |
| Waterproofing Tape (5m)       |    | 1   |
| Pro-SEAL Pre-MIX 0.5L         |  | 1   |
| Waterproofing Internal Corner |  | 2   |
| Notched Adhesive Trowel       |  | 1   |
| Protective Gloves             |  | 1   |
| Paintbrush                    |  | 1   |

**Shower Trays can be installed two ways; with or without a Substrate Element. If your waste pipe cannot be run within the floor joists below you may require a Substrate Element to raise the Shower Tray. Substrate Elements of different sizes and depths are available.**

If you are installing a Shower Tray only (wastepipe installed in floor joists below) follow Installation A. (Page 3)  
If you are installing a Shower Tray and Substrate Element follow Installation B. (Page 9)

### **Installation A: Fitting A Shower Tray Only**



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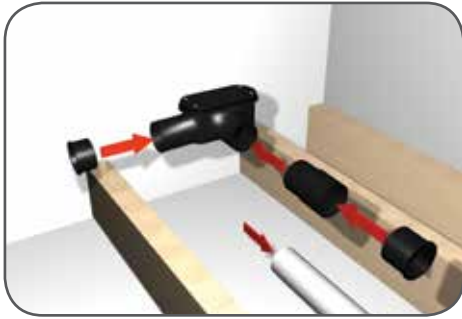
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Leave to dry for at least 2 hours.



#### **Step 2**

Remove flooring as necessary to carry out works to the wastepipe. Please note that if there is a joist in the way of the Shower Tray you will need to consult a professional joiner or structural engineer for advice.



### Step 3

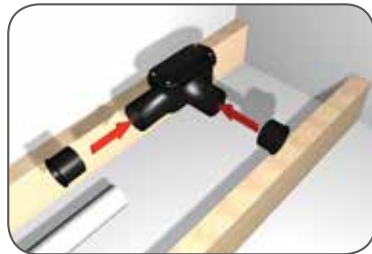
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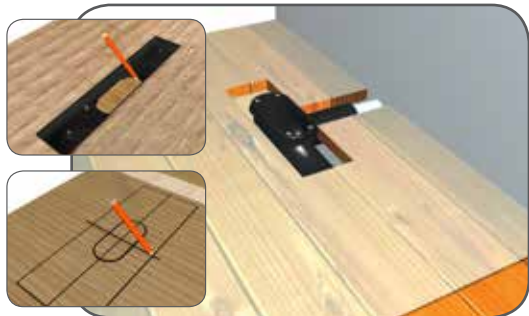
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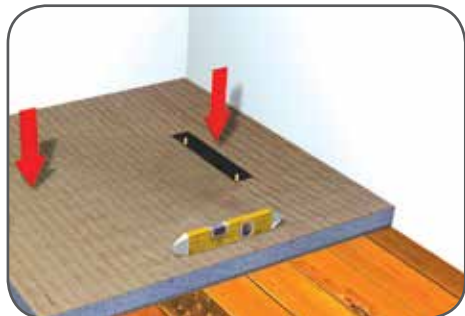


#### Step 4

Measure the shower drain base position on the floor and mark this onto the relevant flooring.

The size of the cut-out needs to be 315mm x 90mm. Make sure that the drain's centre is in the middle of the cut-out.

Using a jigsaw cut a hole in the plywood so that the shower drain base and shower drain connector will be exposed through the new floor.



#### Step 6

Apply a wavy line of Fix-MD adhesive across the edge of the shower tray base.

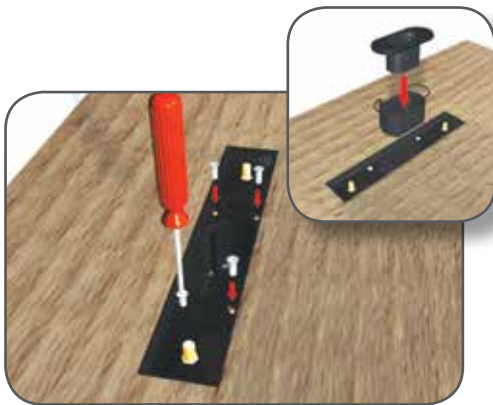
Place the shower tray into position and bed down onto the adhesive cement. Check that the shower tray is level in both directions using a suitable level.



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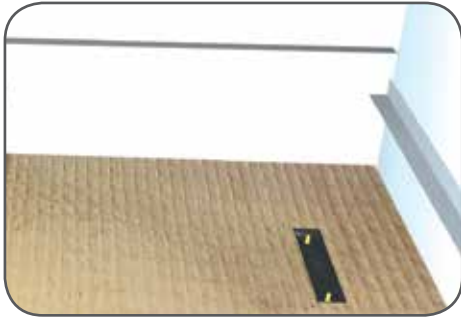
Put on the protective gloves and wear eye and breathing protection.

Mix a bag of Fix-KST adhesive with water, to the directions on the back of the bag, in a clean bucket which will give the adhesive a stiff consistency. Spread the Fix-KST adhesive onto the floor of the shower position and drag the notched adhesive trowel across the surface. The notched adhesive trowel will make a ribbed pattern which will leave just the right amount of adhesive on the floor.



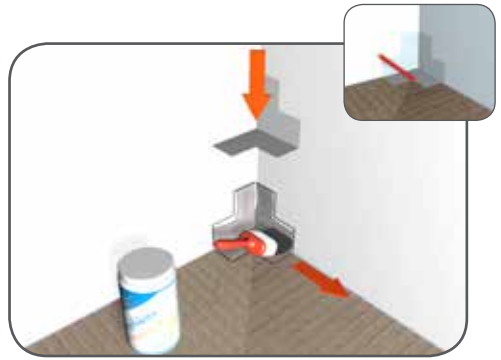
#### Step 7

Line up the linear drain bowl with the drain top pre-fitted within the shower tray and connect the two together using the four bolts provided and a suitable cross headed screwdriver. Ease the shower drain internal bowl into place then ease in the drain top as shown applying a little gentle pressure so that it seats correctly.



### Step 8

From a roll of waterproofing tape cut to suit the width of the shower tray and the length of the shower tray.

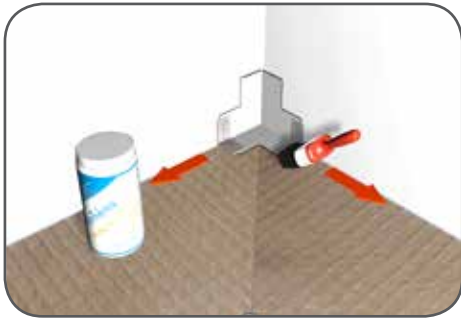


### Step 9

Temporarily place a waterproofing internal corner into position and mark around it with a pencil. Once marked it can be removed. This is to show where you need to apply Pro-SEAL tape sealer. Repeat for any other corners.

Put on the protective gloves and wear eye and breathing protection.

Using Pro-SEAL Pre-MIX tape sealer and a paintbrush, apply a thin layer of Pro-SEAL tape sealer to the internal corners of the shower tray, slightly bigger than the pencil line marked earlier.



### Step 10

Place the waterproofing internal corners into the internal corners of the shower tray and push firmly into the Pro-SEAL tape sealer. Apply a further thin layer of Pro-SEAL tape sealer over the edges of the waterproofing internal corners.

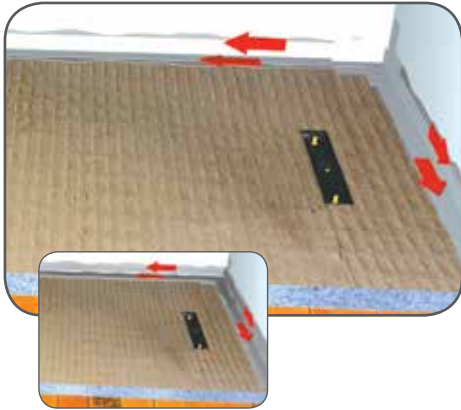


### Step 11

Where the shower tray meets the wall apply a thin layer of Pro-SEAL tape sealer to the shower area and the adjoining wall approximately 60mm wide on both.

**Leave to set for approximately 3 to 5 hours after which the tray is ready for tiling.**

**When sticking the tray down, it is a good practice to put some heavy weights (i.e. a bag of tile adhesive) on the tray whilst the adhesive cures. This ensures that the base sticks evenly to the floor.**



### Step 12

Place the strips of waterproofing tape previously cut in step 8 along the edges of the shower tray, folding half up the wall and half on the shower tray as you go. Press firmly into the Pro-SEAL tape sealer and the tape should also overlap the waterproofing internal corners. When you have finished you can remove the protective gloves and eye and breathing protection.

### Step 13

**IMPORTANT!** Apply a further thin layer of Pro-SEAL Tape Sealer over the tape & corners to fully impregnate the tape.

### Step 14

Leave to set for approximately 12 hours after which the tray is ready for tiling.

**Please leave the weights on the tray while its curing to maintain the contact with the adhesive.**

Steps 15, 16, 17 & 18 are after the Important Tiling Advice.

## Important Tiling Advice

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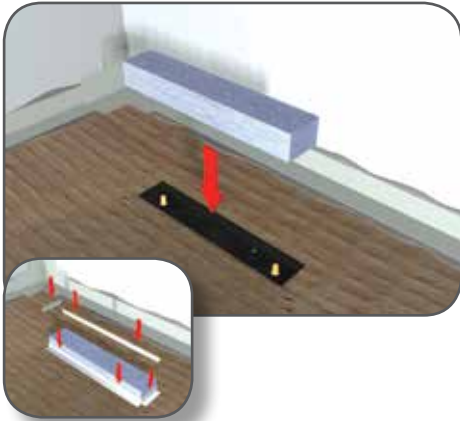
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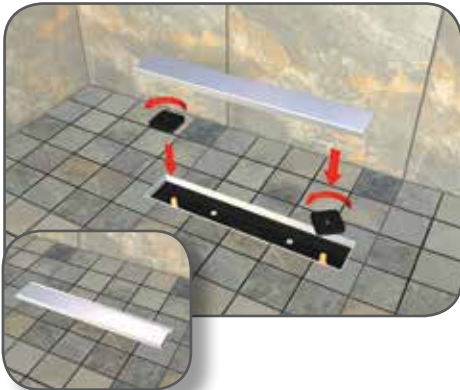
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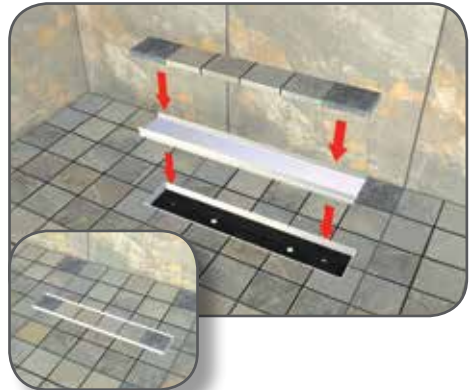
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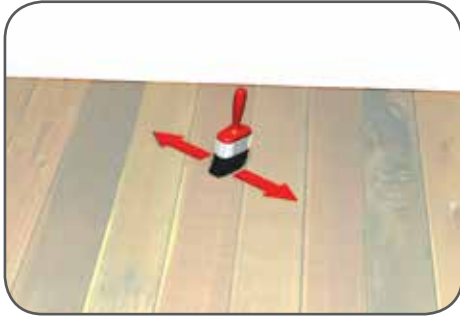
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## Installation B: Fitting A Shower Tray and Substrate Element



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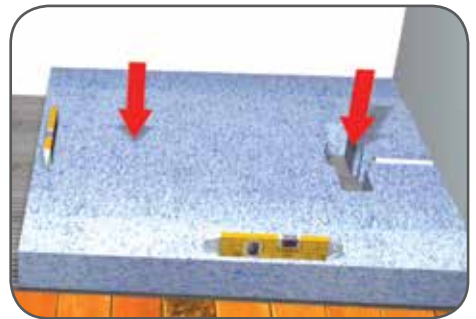
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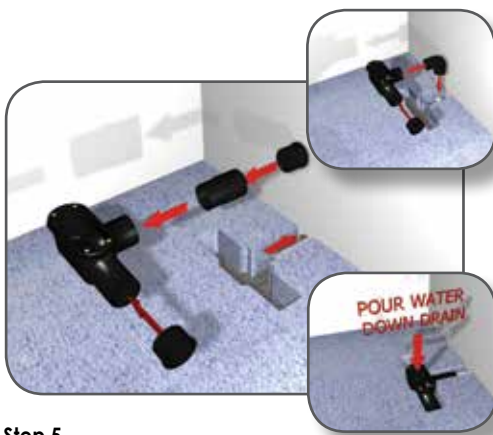
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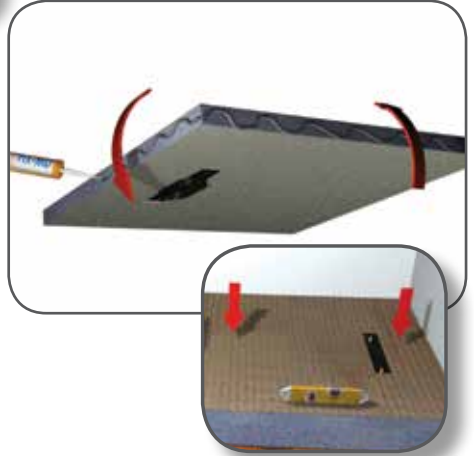
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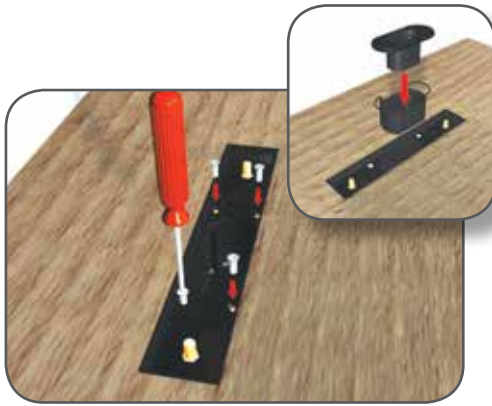
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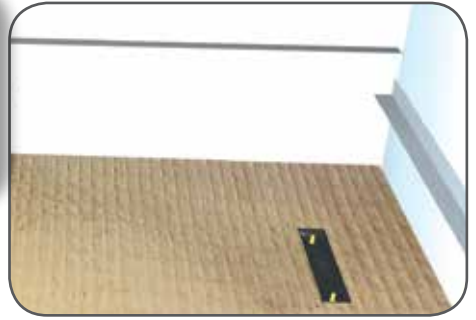
Spread Fix-KST adhesive across the surface of the Substrate Element using a notched adhesive trowel to leave just the right amount of adhesive on the shower base.

Apply a wavy line of Fix-MD adhesive across the edges of the shower tray base. Lower the shower tray onto the shower tray base and push firmly into position. Check with a level that the edges of the shower tray are level in both directions.



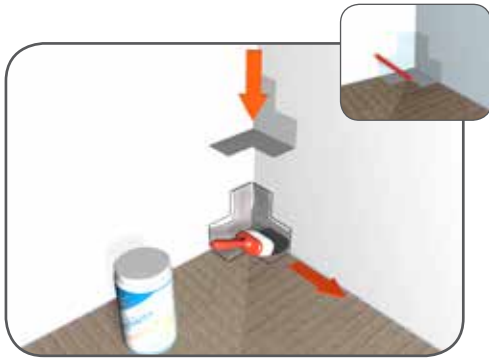
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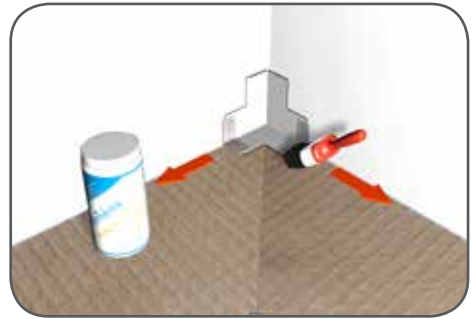


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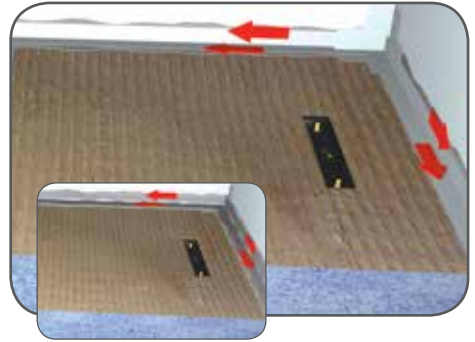
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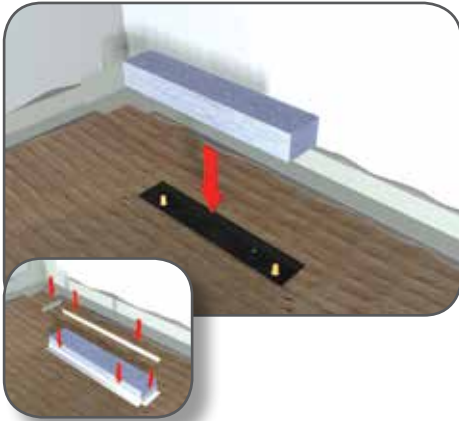
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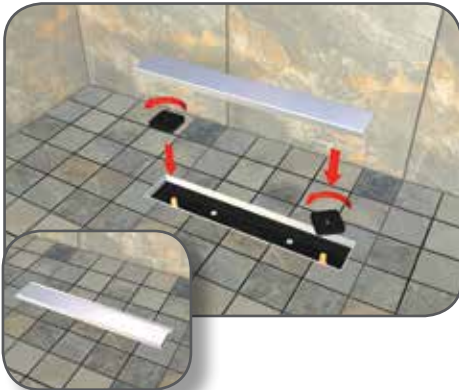
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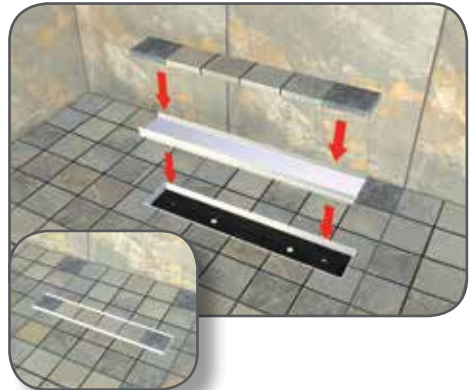
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