REDI BENCH® INSTALLATION GUIDE



Tile Redi® Shower Bench

To help guide you through the REDI BENCH® installation process, we have provided the following REDI BENCH Installation Guide which is intended to provide an easy-to-follow step-by-step process for the installation of your Tile Redi® REDI BENCH. In connection with your REDI BENCH® 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., for the installation of a tiled shower.

INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS FOR REDI BENCH

- 1. The REDI BENCH® is designed to be installed exclusively with Tile Redi® shower bases (known as Redi Base®, Redi Trench®, WonderFall Trench®, Wonder Drain®, Bathtub Replacement™, Redi Free™, and Redi Your Way®) using the REDI FLASH® flashing system.
- 2. The shower stall will need to be framed out as an assembly of the REDI BENCH and the Tile Redi shower base, with the framed out opening equal to the outside dimensions of the shower base plus an additional 12 inches on the side of the shower base where the REDI BENCH is to be installed to accommodate the depth of the REDI BENCH. Please see the REDI BENCH spec sheet.
- 3. Install the REDI BENCH frame between the shower base footprint and the shower wall framing. Either wood or metal framing may be used as required by local building codes. The REDI BENCH framing (the framing height is based on personal preference, but it is usually a height of 18") should be installed along the appropriate side of the shower base so that it will be butted up against the splash wall of the shower base. The bench framing will then need to be securely attached to the shower floor substrate, and the shower framing on the three sides of the REDI BENCH. The REDI BENCH framing will need to be level because the REDI BENCH is already designed with a slope so the seat of the bench will drain into the shower.
- 4. Install the shower pan as set forth in the Tile Redi shower base installation instructions.
- 5. Install the REDI FLASH above the splash walls of the shower pan and secure it to the framing. Using 100% silicone apply a small bead to the top of the flashing to properly waterproof all seams between the backerboard and the shower pan.
- 6. Install the backer board on the face of the bench framing resting on the splash wall flashing (per manufacturer instructions) leaving 1 ½" of space between the top of the backer board and the top of the framing, ensure to fasten the backer board to the wood or metal framing. After installing the backer board to the framing wipe off excess silicone. Apply the REDI FLASH to the top of the backerboard with the long side of the flashing pointing down toward the shower pan and fasten to the framing. Apply a bead of 100% silicone to the top of the flashing.
- 7. Apply Loctite PL Premium construction adhesive to all surfaces of the bench frame which are in contact with the REDI BENCH when it is placed in the frame (i.e., the top of the frame and the vertical frame studs above the splash wall.) Then, install the REDI BENCH by securely placing the REDI BENCH on the framing so it is in contact with all the seat and leg support areas containing Loctite PL Premium construction adhesive. Press the REDI BENCH firmly onto the Loctite PL Premium construction adhesive on the bench frame and hold it securely in place for approximately 30 minutes. After placing the bench frame wipe clean any excess silicone.
- 8. Install the REDI FLASH on the top of the 3 splash walls of the REDI BENCH in the same fashion that the REDI FLASH was installed above the shower base splash wall.
- 9. Now you are ready to install the ½" backer board above the REDI BENCH splash walls and the splash walls of the shower base.

Ensure that you waterproof the backer board per manufacturer's instructions. Now that the REDI BENCH and the shower base are secured and sealed in all areas you are ready to tile the shower base using a Tile Redi approved modified thin-set (**Appendix A**).

APPENDIX A

Tile Redi approved modified thin-sets		
MAPEI Ultraflex LHT White	MAPEI Large Format Floor and Wall White	CBP Prolite White
MAPEI Ultraflex 1 White	MAPEI Porcelain Tile White	CBP Flexbond White
MAPEI Large Tile and Stone White	MAPEI Ultraflex LFT White	TEC Ultimate 6 Plus 487 White