



Introduction

This fact sheet is intended as a guide only and should be read in conjunction with AS1288 and AS3740.

Enclosed Shower Screens comprise:

- Fully framed where the water from the shower rose is contained with the shower area.
- Semi-Frameless w/- seals and deflectors
- Fully Frameless w/- seals and deflectors

Water from the shower rose must be contained with the shower area to comply with a fully framed shower screen.

Un-Enclosed Shower Screens comprise:

- Fully Frameless
- Curtain and Rod
- Where a screen is less than 900mm over a bath

Unenclosed shower screens should not be installed directly adjacent to doorways unless the doorway is protected against water exiting through the doorway.

Enclosed Shower Screen Placement:

Showers with a hob should have the screen installed as follows,

- It should finish flush with shower area of the hob
- Over hanging in to the shower or inside the hob.

Showers with a stepdown should have the screen installed as follows,

- Flush with the finished vertical surface of the stepdown
- Overhanging into shower area or inside the step down of the shower area.

Bath end walls and nib walls abutting a shower shall be installed as follows,

- The shower screen shall be positioned so that the bottom edge within the shower area is either flush with the outside edge of the bath or overhanging into the shower area.

Please Note that in all cases a self-draining sub-sill is considered to be part of the shower screen.

Un-enclosed Shower Screen Installation:

- It is recommended to follow similar placement guidelines as for an enclosed system.
- To ensure stability, braces or supports may be necessary.
 - To avoid contact with the floor, frameless glass doors should be a minimum of 3mm and a maximum of 10mm clearance. This could vary depending on the slope in the floor.
- Glass wall panels up to 2100mm shall have a minimum of 2 mechanical fixings. Panels exceeding 2100mm shall have fixings at a minimum of 1700mm spacing's.
- Where mechanical fixings are used, the fittings should be a minimum of 2 at a maximum of 1700mm.

Doors

- Shower Screen doors must either swing out or slide. They are permitted to swing in provided they also swing out.

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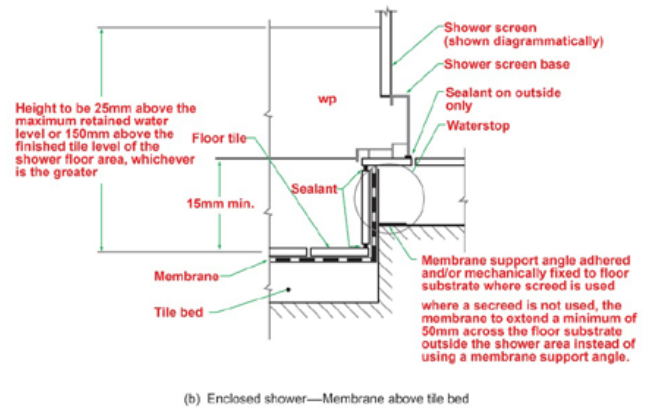
- Be readily removable from outside of the shower enclosure.

Windows

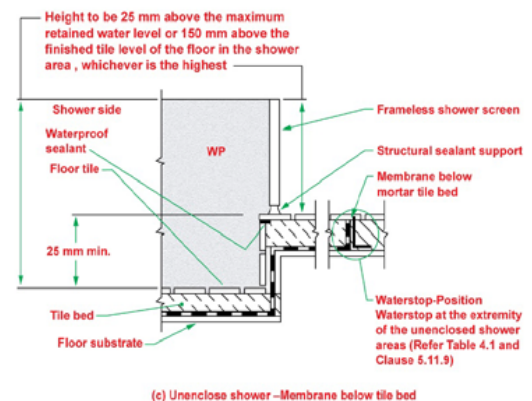
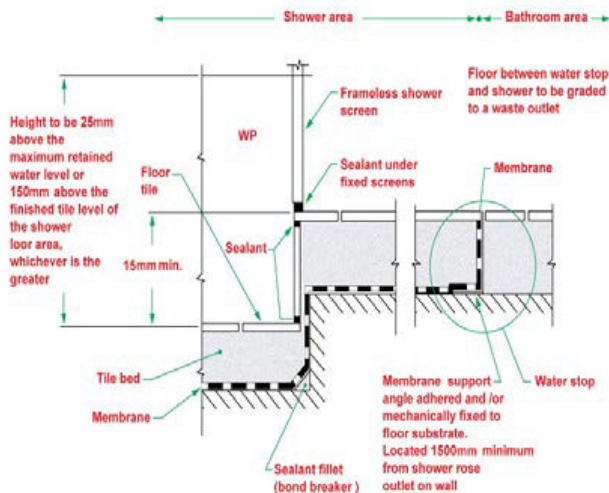
- Windows which form part of the shower enclosure shall be grade A safety glass in accordance with AS1288.

Water leakage through waterproof membrane

- Water may penetrate wall and floor finishes in wet areas especially if exposed to long periods of moisture. If not intercepted this water can cause damage to adjoining rooms.
- Care should be taken if fixing is required through waterproofing membrane and sealing of all fixing holes crucial to maintain the integrity of the membrane.



See Attached Diagrams



(a) Unenclosed shower-Membrane above tile bed

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