



If you're putting a **tile shower** on a **timber floor**, you need to take **extra care**.

Beautiful to live with, timber can be a danger zone for wet areas as it contracts and expands in response to moisture from the weather.

Over time, subtle movement can be enough to undermine any waterproofing that has been applied directly onto the timber floor and walls. Cracks can occur, particularly at the corner joints, creating the potential for leaks. No matter how well the membrane has been applied, it won't stop water eventually finding its way out.

We've all heard of leaky home syndrome. Leaky shower syndrome is an equally serious and costly problem. Up to 90% of tiled showers built onto a stud wall will eventually leak because of gaps occurring at the expansion joints between the tiled wall and the floor of the shower recess. Damage from a leaking shower can run to thousands of dollars once it gets into the timber structure.

This risk is well known in the building industry. In fact, it's why many builders will flatly refuse to put a tiled shower into an upstairs bathroom - particularly when it's on a timber or particle board floor. They know there's a high chance of a callback within their warranty period - due to the likelihood of leaks.

No homeowner, and certainly no builder, wants to be faced with the inconvenience, the cost and the heartbreaking job of replacing rotted floors and framing years after the original shower installation.

According to Showersafe Installations, an Auckland company that specialises in remedial bathroom building, it can typically cost \$15-20,000 just to repair the structural damage - let alone repair and refit your lovely tiled shower.

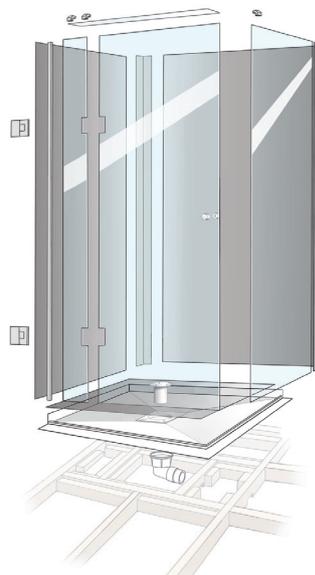
The safe way to build a tile shower

The Atlantis tile shower system is a specially designed solution to combat leaky showers. More importantly, it caters for high risk areas such as upstairs bathrooms and timber floors.

Unlike traditional methods of building tile showers and wet rooms, the Atlantis system is a complete shower package that addresses all the critical waterproofing issues in a shower area.

The core of the Atlantis system is the pre-moulded 100% waterproof EasyTile base that forms the structural foundation for the tile shower. Made from the same reinforced laminate material used in high performance boats, the EasyTile base provides a stable shower floor that will not move, flex or buckle with building movement.

Because of its unique design, it is possible to safely achieve a stepless (level access) shower in a timber floor. The level-entry base fits simply and easily into the existing floor structure at the level of the joists. Atlantis also offers various styles of hob bases that sit on top of an existing floor to create a traditional step into the shower.



The Atlantis EasyTile shower system components form a complete capsule to retain all water within the shower. With precision-made connections that seal together at the critical junctions, there is no chance of water escaping other than where it is directed.

The system comes with an anti-fracture sheet membrane for waterproofing the walls, a choice of premium quality frameless screen configurations - including walk-in options, all door hardware, as well as the necessary fitting components and materials. Everything is included, except the tiles, tile adhesives and tapware - leaving you with the freedom to create whatever look and character you desire for your tiled shower.

To provide total peace of mind, Atlantis recommends installation is undertaken by one of its Certified Installers around the country, who have all been trained to the highest standard.

And just to prove how confident you can be in choosing an Atlantis shower for your home, the Atlantis EasyTile shower base comes with an unrivalled 25-year leak-free guarantee.

Now that's what we call eliminating risk.

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