



If you want a stepless 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 into thousands of dollars once it gets into the timber structure.

This risk is well known in the building industry. In fact, it is why many builders will flatly refuse to put a level entry shower into an upstairs bathroom – particularly when it is on a timber or particle board floor. They know there is a high chance of a call-back 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 heart-breaking job of replacing rotted floors and framing years after the original shower installation.

Being one of the major reasons for home insurance claims, it can typically cost upwards of \$10,000 just to repair the structural damage caused by a traditionally formed leaking shower – let alone the cost to replace and refit your bathroom.



The safe way to build a frameless shower on timber

The Atlantis all-in-one 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 in situ 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 Linea Quattro base that forms the structural foundation for the tile shower. Made from the same reinforced laminate material used in high performance boats, the Linea Quattro base provides a stable shower floor that will 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-access base fits simply and easily into the existing floor structure. Atlantis also offers the option of a base that sit on top of an existing floor to create a traditional step into the shower.

The Atlantis Linea Quattro 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 a choice of premium quality frameless screen configurations – including fixed walk-in panel, hinges door or sliding door – all screen hardware, as well as the necessary fitting components and materials. Everything is included, except the tiles, tile adhesive, tapware and wall waterproofing – leaving you with the freedom to create whatever look and character you desire for your frameless shower.

To provide total peace of mind, Atlantis recommends installation is undertaken by a qualified tradesperson or someone with trade skills.

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

Now that's what we call eliminating risk!

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