

**MTI BATHS  
BOUTIQUE COLLECTION**

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**ENGINEERED SOLID STONE™  
SHOWER BASES**



**OWNER'S MANUAL  
INSTALLATION GUIDE  
EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2013**

**Installer: this booklet must be given to the product owner. Please note important information below:**

Model # \_\_\_\_\_

Manufacturer's Date \_\_\_\_\_

Registration/Serial # \_\_\_\_\_



## **OWNER'S MANUAL AND INSTALLATION GUIDE**

Thank you for choosing a Boutique Collection Engineered Solid Stone™ shower base from MTI. We know it will provide many years of pleasure. The instructions in this booklet will provide you with the information you need to install and care for this product. Our customer service department is available to answer any additional questions you may have pertaining to the installation or operation of your Boutique Collection product. Please call 800-783-8827 to speak to our Service Department or email at [customerservice@mtibaths.com](mailto:customerservice@mtibaths.com).

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## **IMPORTANT! Read all instructions carefully before beginning installation.**

Before Installing — Inspect shower base thoroughly.

- A. Damage from shipping or delivery must be reported to carrier immediately. Do not install damaged shower base. MTI Baths is not responsible for damage occurring during shipping and/or handling.
- B. Factory defect must be reported to factory before base is installed. Defects claimed after installation will be excluded from warranty.
- C. Please note: Blemishes, air holes or casting marks on the underside of the base are not considered defects and do not affect the performance or quality of the shower base.

## **Installation Procedures**

1. Inspect product thoroughly. Make sure the size and color match what was ordered and any necessary tiles flanges are in place. Ensure drain location is correct.
2. Check floor surface for level. The area supporting the shower pan must be perfectly level and have no air voids.
3. Use enough bedding material (MTI recommends Quikrete Sand Topping Mix (#1103), under the pan to ensure consistent contact between the bottom of the shower base and the floor and provide a structurally sound, perfectly level surface for the base.
4. Products such as spray foam, plaster or sheetrock mud are not recommended, and will void future warranty coverage.
5. Place shower base into position. Check the shower base to ensure it is level from side to side, and front to back. If not, remove base and use additional bedding compound to achieve level. Do not attempt to use shims to level the shower base.
6. Re-check the shower base for level.
7. Pre-drill the tile flange at each stud location. Secure tile flange to studs using stainless steel screws.
8. Complete drain installation. Do not use plumber's putty, as it may discolor the solid stone over time or dry and crack, leaving open the potential for leaking. MTI recommends using clear silicone.
9. Water test before completing installation to ensure proper drainage.
10. Use a bead of clear silicone along the top edge of the base wherever the tile flange is installed to ensure a water tight seal behind the walls.

## For Matte Finish

The Engineered Solid Stone™ (ESS) surface of all MTI shower bases is among the highest quality surfaces available. Its hard, non-porous surface prevents dirt from accumulating and resists stains better than other materials. With normal use, the ESS will retain its beauty with only a minimal amount of care. To maintain the elegant look of the ESS surface, follow these simple steps:

1. Use common household, non-abrasive cleaners for most cleaning jobs. A mild liquid dish detergent diluted in warm water is sufficient for everyday cleaning. Rinse well and dry with a soft, clean cloth. Mr. Clean Magic Eraser is recommended for more stubborn marks such as newsprint or hard water deposits.
2. Remove dust or dry dirt with a soft, damp cloth.
3. Clean grease, oil, paint or ink stains with isopropyl (rubbing) alcohol. Dry with a soft, dry cloth.
4. For more stubborn stains, use a mild abrasive cleaner such as Soft Scrub or Bon Ami. It may take a little more scrubbing to actually remove marks and polish surface. You can also use a gray Scotch Brite pad. DO NOT USE the green Scotch Brite pads on the solid-surface shower bases as it will destroy the finish. Do not use artificially colored cleaners.
5. Avoid using razor blades or other sharp objects that might scratch the surface.
6. Do not use harsh chemicals, such as hydrochloric acid, sodium hydroxide, paint thinner, chloride solvents or any strong acid or base, as this will permanently damage the finish.
7. Small scratches may be removed by sanding with 1500 grit wet/dry paper and then cleaning with Soft Scrub.

The MTI shower base has been designed and engineered to resist scratches and stains when used properly. The durable finish will resist food acids and should not stain under normal bathroom conditions. Improper use may damage the shower base or its finish and void the warranty.

**REMEMBER—** If you do damage the shower base, minor cuts or scratches can usually be buffed or polished out of the finish.

## Residential Warranty

This warranty is effective for all MTI Boutique Collection Engineered Solid Stone™ (ESS) shower bases manufactured after January 1, 2007, and is in lieu of all other warranties. MTI Baths provides a limited five year warranty on ESS shower bases for use in the continental United States to the original purchaser for personal or single family use. Warranty begins on date of purchase (regardless of installation date). Blemishes, air holes or casting marks on the underside of the shower base are not considered defects and do not affect the performance or quality of the shower base. Slight variations in the surface are indigenous to the natural stone appearance of the product and are not considered defects or flaws. Variations in the surface do not compromise the structural integrity of the product.

### This warranty excludes:

1. Any obligation other than replacement of defective parts, when presented to the selling distributor, together with proof of purchase, during the warranty period.
2. **Any labor charges**, removal or reinstallation expense, freight or any incidental or consequential damages resulting from any defective product.
3. Products classified as “accessories.”
4. Normal wear and tear, including chips and/or scratches.

This warranty shall be voided by any of the following:

1. Modification.
2. Improper installation, care or maintenance of the product.
3. Use of the product for any purpose or in any manner other than for which it is specifically intended.
4. Improper use and maintenance contrary to the use and care instructions.

This warranty supersedes any and all other warranties, expressed or implied. The foregoing warranties are exclusive and made only to the buyer. No other warranty, whether expressed, implied or statutory, including any warranty of merchantability or fitness for particular purpose shall exist in connection with any of the warranties on behalf of MTI in addition to or different from those herein given, or to assume for MTI any other liability in connection with any of its product except in a written statement which is signed by an officer of MTI expressly and intentionally giving such warranties or expressing such liabilities.

**MTI Baths is NOT liable for incidental or consequential damage, loss of time, inconvenience, incidental expenses, labor or material charges or any other costs related to the application of this warranty.**

## Commercial Warranty

This warranty is effective for all MTI Boutique Collection Engineered Solid Stone™ (ESS) shower bases manufactured after January 1, 2007, and is in lieu of all other warranties. MTI Baths provides a limited two year warranty on ESS shower bases for use in the continental United States to the original purchaser for commercial use. Warranty begins on date of purchase (regardless of installation date). Blemishes, air holes or casting marks on the underside of the shower base are not considered defects and do not affect the performance or quality of the shower base. Slight variations in the surface are indigenous to the natural stone appearance of the product and are not considered defects or flaws. Variations in the surface do not compromise the structural integrity of the product.

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This warranty supersedes any and all other warranties, expressed or implied. The foregoing warranties are exclusive and made only to the buyer. No other warranty, whether expressed, implied or statutory, including any warranty of merchantability or fitness for particular purpose shall exist in connection with any of the warranties on behalf of MTI in addition to or different from those herein given, or to assume for MTI any other liability in connection with any of its product except in a written statement which is signed by an officer of MTI expressly and intentionally giving such warranties or expressing such liabilities.

**MTI Baths is NOT liable for incidental or consequential damage, loss of time, inconvenience, incidental expenses, labor or material charges or any other costs related to the application of this warranty.**





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