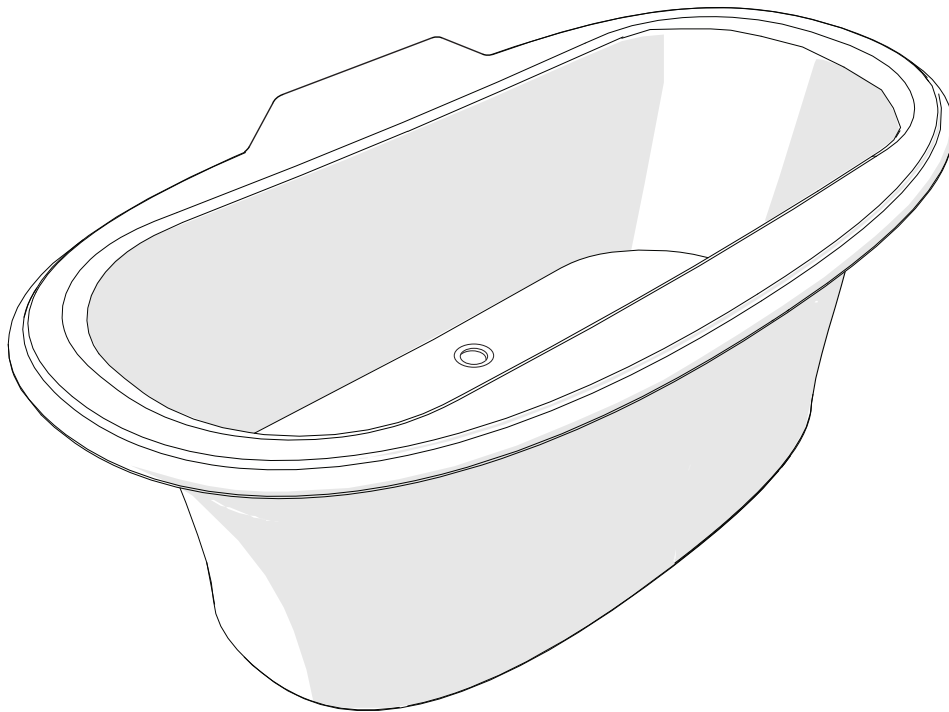




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Read all instructions carefully before proceeding.

SAVE THIS GUIDE FOR FUTURE REFERENCE.

IMPORTANT • Record the serial number

Serial number



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BEFORE YOU BEGIN

Carefully read all the instructions in the manual before beginning the installation.

Consult local building codes to make sure the installation complies with standards.

Remove the unit from its packaging. Before disposing of it, inspect the unit to make sure it is in good shape. Should inspection reveal any damage or defect in the finish, contact your distributor. The warranty does not cover damages or defects in the finish once the unit has been installed. American Bath Groups responsibility for shipping damages ceases upon delivery of the product in good order to the carrier. All complaints regarding damage due to transport must be made directly to the carrier.

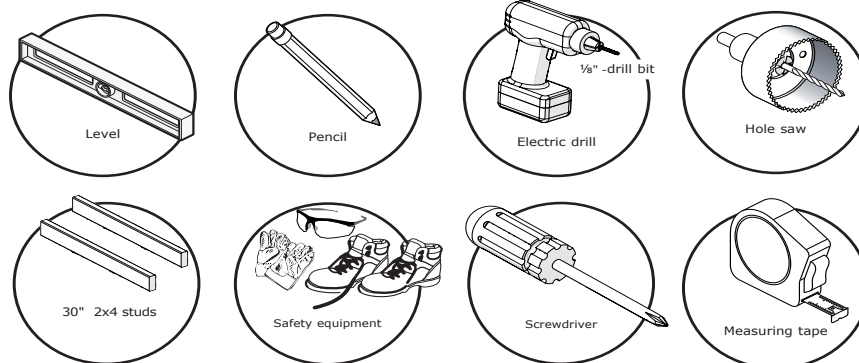
Note: do not remove the medallion Identification Number located on the rim of the bathtub.

Doing so may affect the warranty.

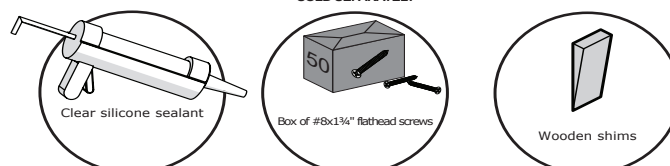
Place the unit in the bathroom before you start working. To protect the unit during installation, we recommend you lay cardboard on the bathtub floor.

Install all plumbing and drainage before securing the unit. It is always recommended to have a professional plumber do the plumbing installations. See rough-in information for your model on our website.

TOOLS REQUIRED



SUPPLIES SOLD SEPARATELY



STEP 1 Bathtub skirt and drain positioning

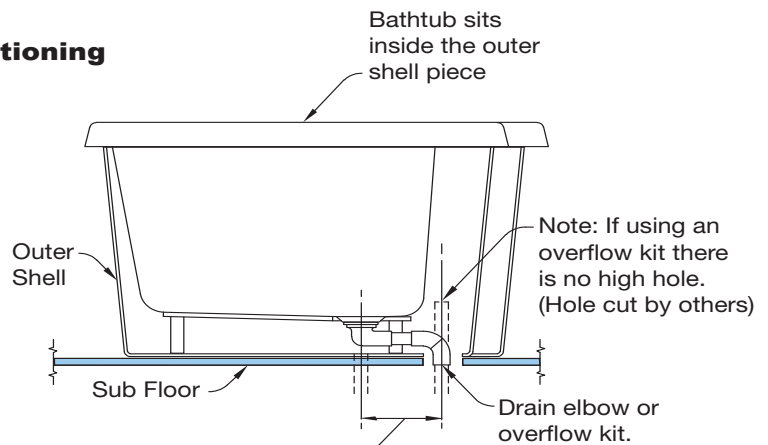
Unpack the unit.

This is a two-piece unit - bathtub piece and skirt piece. Separate the pieces by lifting the bathtub part away from the skirt piece. (gasket remains secured to the skirt part).

The drain fitting to the bathtub will be inside the outer shell piece. See example shown in Figure 1.

Locate the drain outlet position on the inside of the shell. This may be straight down or if using an overflow kit, will be off-set from the bathtub outlet hole. Mark this position on the inside surface of the shell. Cut the drain outlet hole. See Figure 2.

NOTE: If using an overflow kit, the upper hole in the bathtub will be cut in the field by others.



Drain fitting to bathtub is inside the outer shell piece. Determine drain outlet location. (Drain must have a trap).

Figure 1

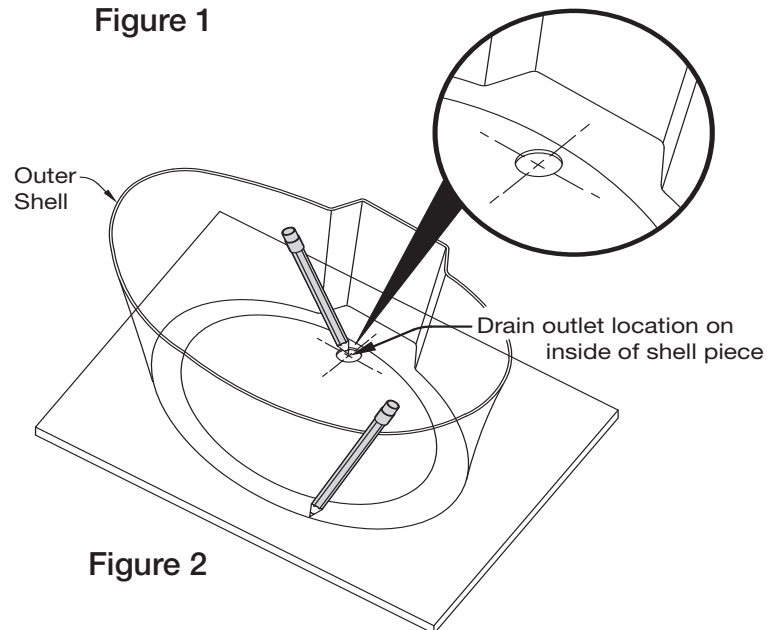


Figure 2

Make sure floor is level. Correct level if required.

Before drilling a hole in the floor for the drainpipe, make sure there are no hidden elements underneath: (pipes, floor joists, heating ducts, electrical wires).

Confirm location of bathtub in the room. Locate and cut an opening in the sub-floor for the drain connection. This opening may be round, square or rectangular and should be large enough to mate the drain outlet from the bathtub to the drain pipe in the floor. See Figure 3.

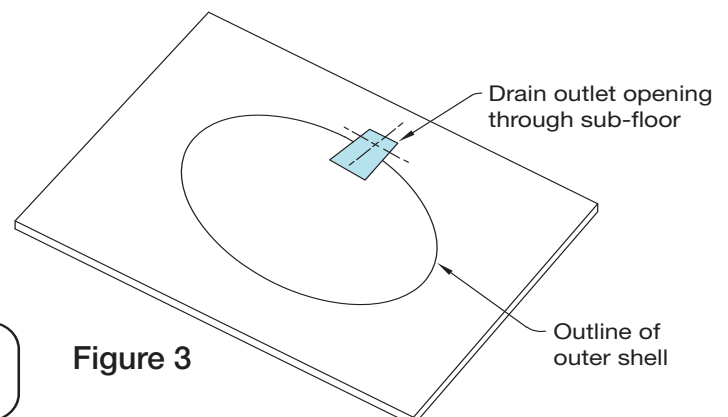


Figure 3

Make sure there will be any interference between the faucet set and drain and overflow assembly.

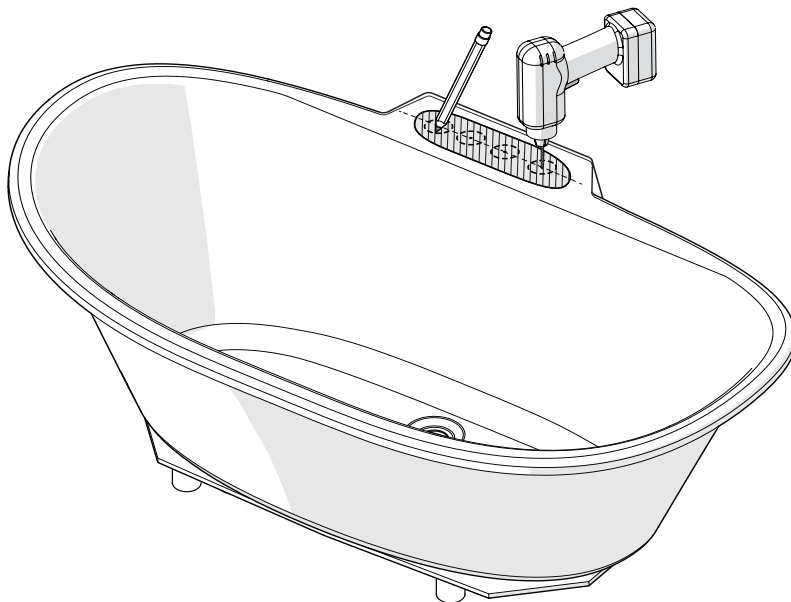
STEP 2 Installing faucets (NOT INCLUDED)

Faucet elements must be installed in the intended molded area.

Mark the location of the faucet and valves on the unit. Make certain faucet is located to the center of the molded area so the valve bodies will be within the molded box structure in the skirt piece. Refer to your faucet manufacturers installation guide before cutting the valve holes.

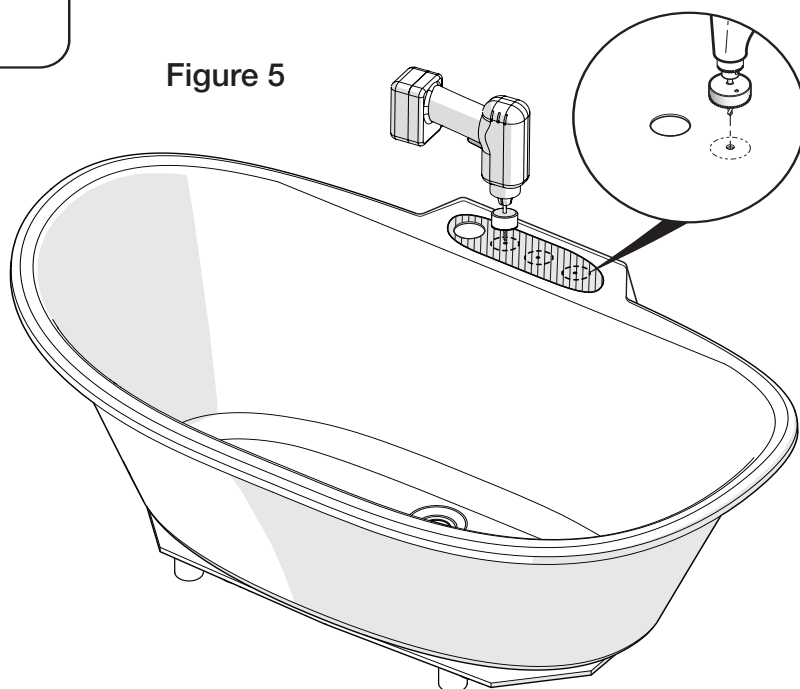
See Figure 4.

Figure 4



NOTE: Overflow hole is not factory provided.
If a hole for the overflow is cut in the field, first confirm there will be no interference between the faucet set and the overflow assembly.

Figure 5



Mark and cut the faucet holes on the finished side of the unit with the appropriate size hole saw.

Follow all instructions and recommendations provided by the faucet manufacturer,

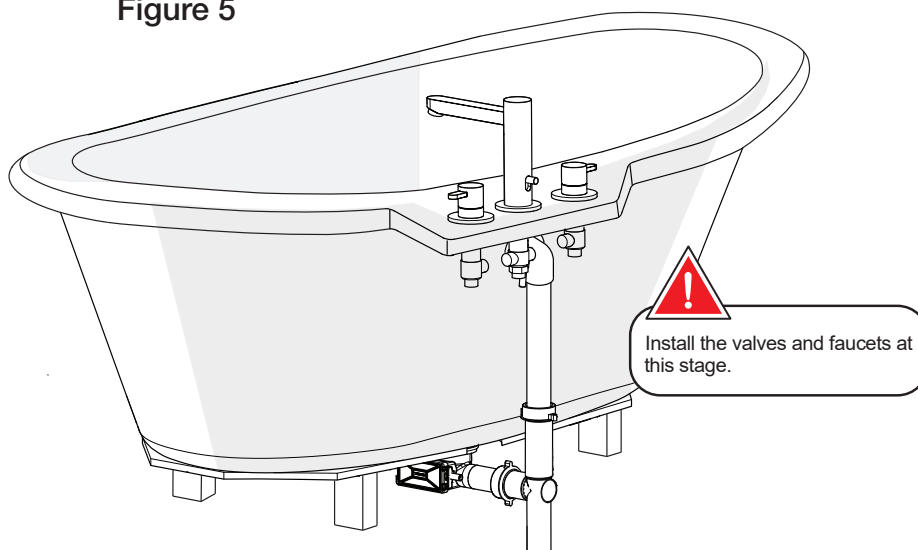
See Figure 5.

STEP 3 Bathtub preparation and installation

Install the waste fitting, overflow kit if it is applicable) and faucet set following the installation instructions provided by the manufacturer. See Figure 5.

Note these fittings are not included and are provided by others.

Figure 5

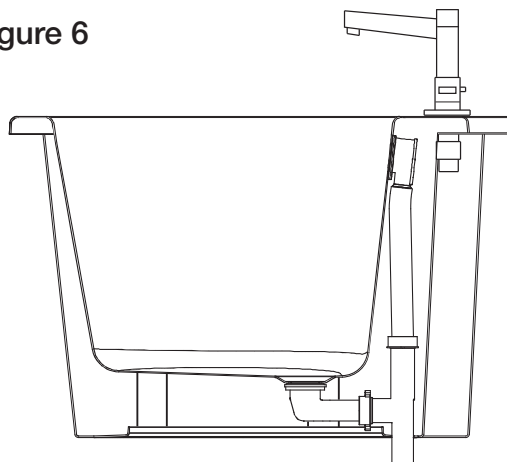


Note the outlet fitting from the bathtub drain fits entirely within the outer shell/skirt piece.

The legs attached to the bottom of the bathtub provide enough clearance for these drain parts to fit. The legs are adjusted in the factory to provide proper interface between the bathtub and shell/skirt piece, and should not require any adjustments in the field.

See Figure 6.

Figure 6



STEP 4 Bathtub preparation and installation (cont'd)

Secure the shell/skirt piece to the room floor.
Note this part should be installed on the finished floor surface.



Make sure the skirt is level.
Make sure the skirt is secured to the floor.
Make sure the skirt cutout for the drain lines up with the cutout in the sub-floor.

Apply a bead of silicone sealant under the skirt to the floor near the edge.

Use 4 stainless steel screws (not provided) to attach the shell/skirt to the floor.

See Figure 7.

The next step is to lift the bathtub and place it into the shell/skirt.

First add two spacers such as a 2 x4 on each end of the shell.

Position the bathtub so the fitting are directly over the molded area.

Attach the hot and cold water supplies to the faucet bodies on the bathtub.
Connect overflow if present.

See Figure 8.



Faucet must be connected to 1/2" flexible hoses of sufficient length to allow the bathtub to be lifted if needed (25" or 635mm).

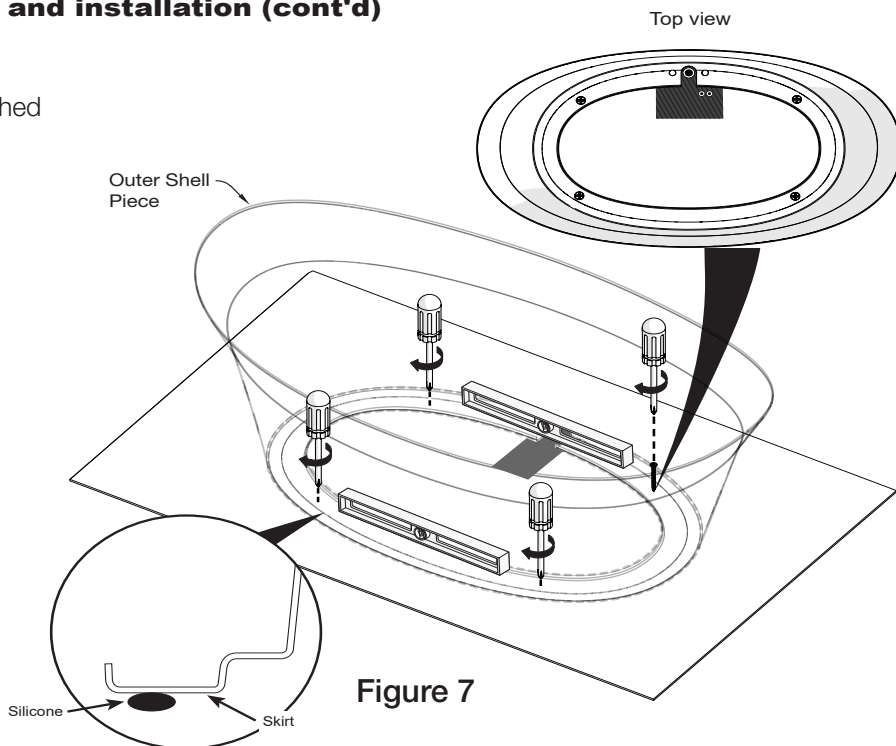


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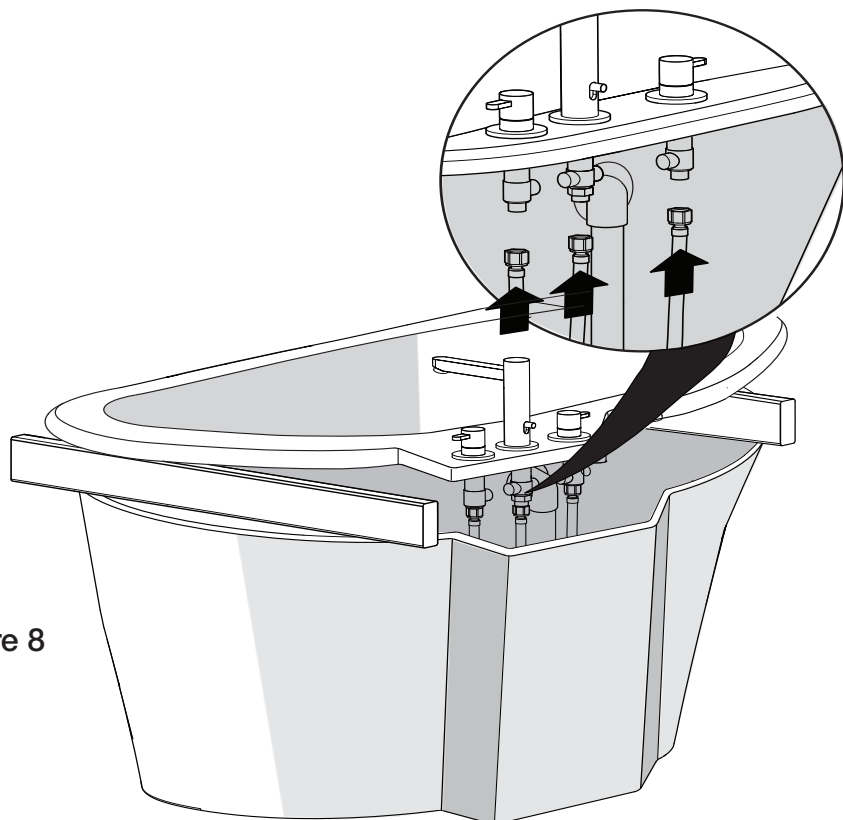


Figure 8

STEP 5 Installation of bathtub into the skirt

When water supplies and drain are connected, the next step in to complete the installation of the bathtub into the shell/skirt piece.

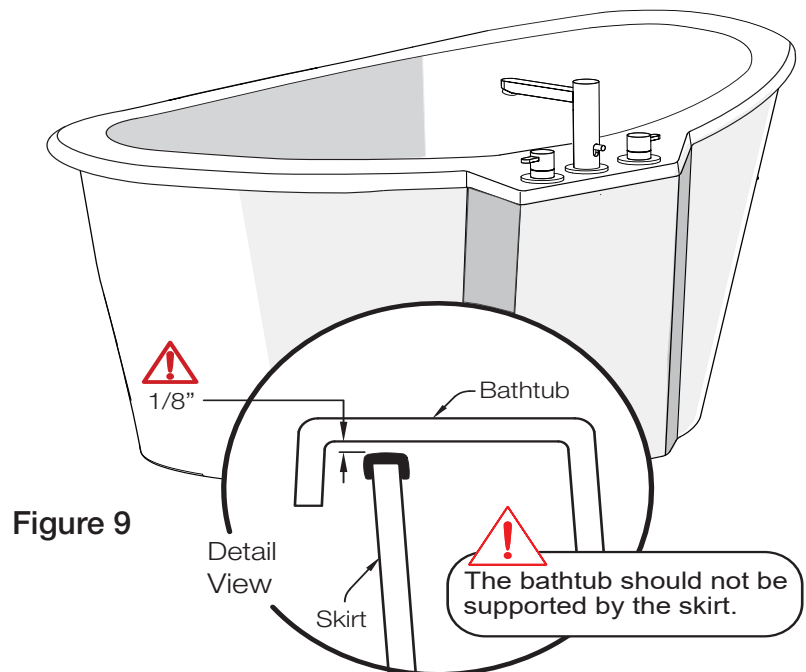
Remove the wood spacers.

Gently lower the bathtub down into the shell skirt piece.

Make sure all legs are in contact with the bottom of the shell/skirt AND that a small 1/8" gap is present between the weather seal and bathtub under the rim.

Bathtub should not be supported by the skirt.

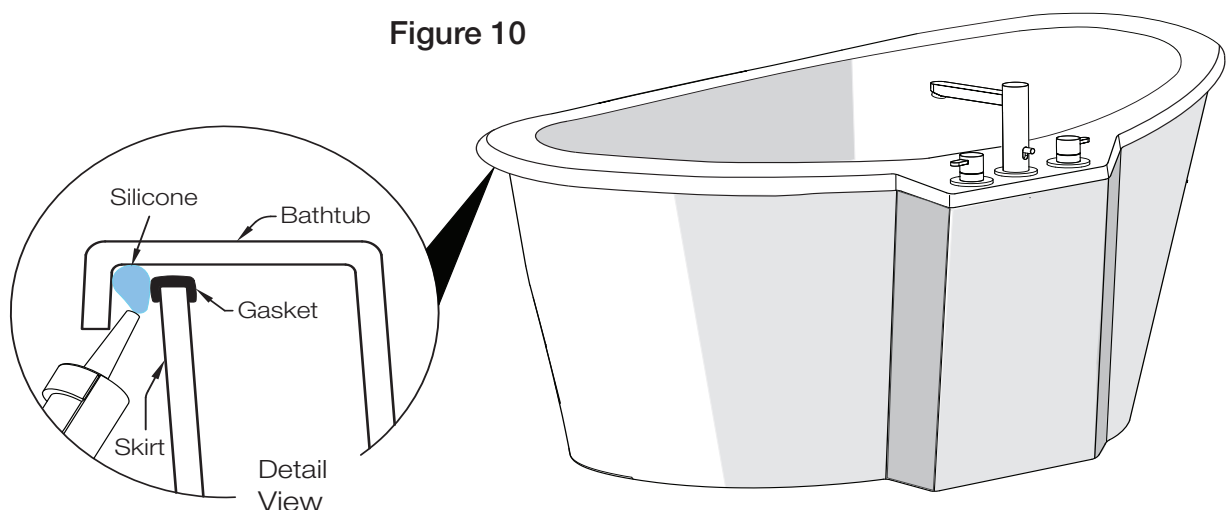
See Figure 9.



To complete the installation and solidify the bathtub, apply a bead of silicone along the seam between the bathtub rim and shell/skirt.

See Figure 10.

Figure 10





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TROUBLESHOOTING:

Water accumulates around the drain and bathtub does not completely empty.

- Check that the installation is level and the bathtub is well supported by the legs. With the help of a level, place on the floor of the bathtub, make sure to have a slight slope toward the drain. If necessary, adjust the legs under the bathtub.

Bottom of bathtub moves during use.

- Bathtub is not sitting firmly on its base: Adjust leveling legs.

Polyethylene film will not come off.

- If your bathtub has a thin film present to protect the surface and it is difficult to remove, use a hair pryer to blow hot air on the surface.

MAINTENANCE:

Regular disinfections provide an effective defense against various types of bacteria susceptible of developing in the deposits that build up over time in all bathtubs and showers.

For daily maintenance cleaning, use a moist cloth and gentle liquid detergent.

For acrylic surfaces, occasional use of a special acrylic surface cleaner such as **LUMINSHINE®** or **LUMICREAM®** will add luster and protect the finish.

If a rubber mat is used, it must be removed immediately after each use.

Ignoring this recommendation will cause damage not covered by the warranty.

Certain types of therapeutic products when added to bath water or if applied non-diluted directly in the bath may damage the finish of the unit.

Test the product on a small inconspicuous surface prior to use.

CAUTION

DO NOT USE ABRASIVE CLEANERS

The most important caution is to avoid the use of harsh abrasive cleaners or gritty scouring powders. To clean the unit, simply use a household liquid detergent with a soft sponge or cloth with warm water. More persistent stains, tar or paint can be removed with naphtha or mineral spirits. Remove dried plaster by scraping with a soft sharpened wooden stick. Avoid wirebrushes, metal scrapers or tools. Restore dull areas by rubbing with automotive type body cleaning compound.



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LIMITED WARRANTY

American Bath Group warrants to the owner of its showers and tub shower units as follows:

Units manufactured of fiberglass reinforced polyester resin, that it will, free of charge, repair or exchange as its option, any American Bath Group unit found to be defective in materials or workmanship upon inspection by an authorized representative of American Bath Group for a period of five (5) years from date of purchase.

The exchange of a unit is limited to supplying a replacement unit of comparable size and style and does not include the cost of removal or installation. This warranty shall be voided if the unit is moved from its place of initial installation or is not installed in accordance with the instructions supplied by the manufacturer of the unit. Further, this warranty does not apply if the unit has been subjected to accident, abuse, misuse, damage caused by flood, fire or act of God. Since local code requirements vary greatly throughout the country, distributors, dealers, installation contractors and users of plumbing products should determine whether there are any code restrictions on the use of a specific product. American Bath Group makes no representation or warranty regarding and shall not be responsible for any code compliance. The owner agrees by use of this unit that the obligations of American Bath Group shall not exceed to contingent or indirect damage or injury to the structure of its contents, that the obligations of American Bath Group are limited to those set forth herein, and that no other obligations, expressed or implied, are assumed by American Bath Group.

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