

A modern bathroom interior featuring a shower area with walls covered in large, square terrazzo tiles. The tiles have a white base with dark, colorful speckles. A white, rectangular shower pan is installed in the shower area. To the right, there is a white, oval-shaped bathtub or shower pan. The overall aesthetic is clean and contemporary.

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SHOWER FLOORS

installation Guidelines

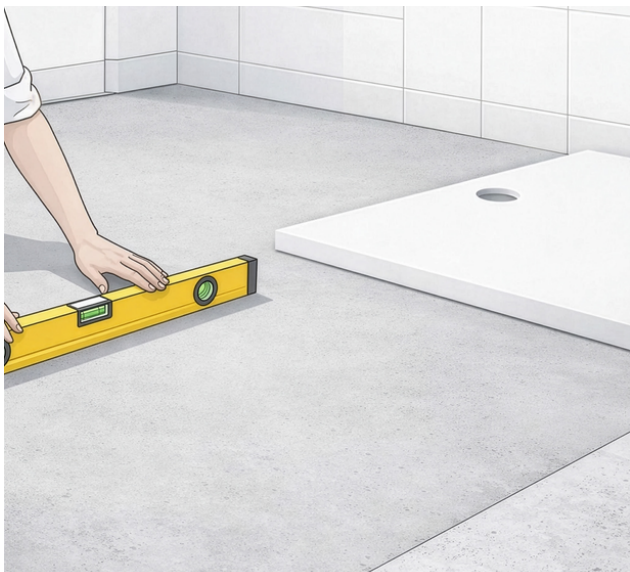
DADOquartz® Shower Floor Installation Guidelines

Installing the shower tray (shower floor) correctly is critical to avoid leaks, movement, and long-term damage.

1. Prepare the Base Properly.

- Ensure the floor is solid, clean, and level
- Concrete floors: remove dust and debris
- Timber floors: reinforce with plywood (min 18–22mm) to prevent flex
- Check the waste outlet position aligns perfectly with the tray

Tip: Even small unevenness can cause cracking or poor drainage.



2. Dry Fit First

- Place the tray without adhesive
- Check:
 - Level in all directions (use a spirit level)
 - Waste alignment
 - Wall fit (no gaps)

Never skip this step — it prevents costly mistakes.

3. Install the Waste (Before Final Fixing)

- Attach the waste trap securely
- Use silicone or rubber seals (not excessive glue)
- Tighten firmly but don't overtighten
- Test for leaks before placing the tray permanently



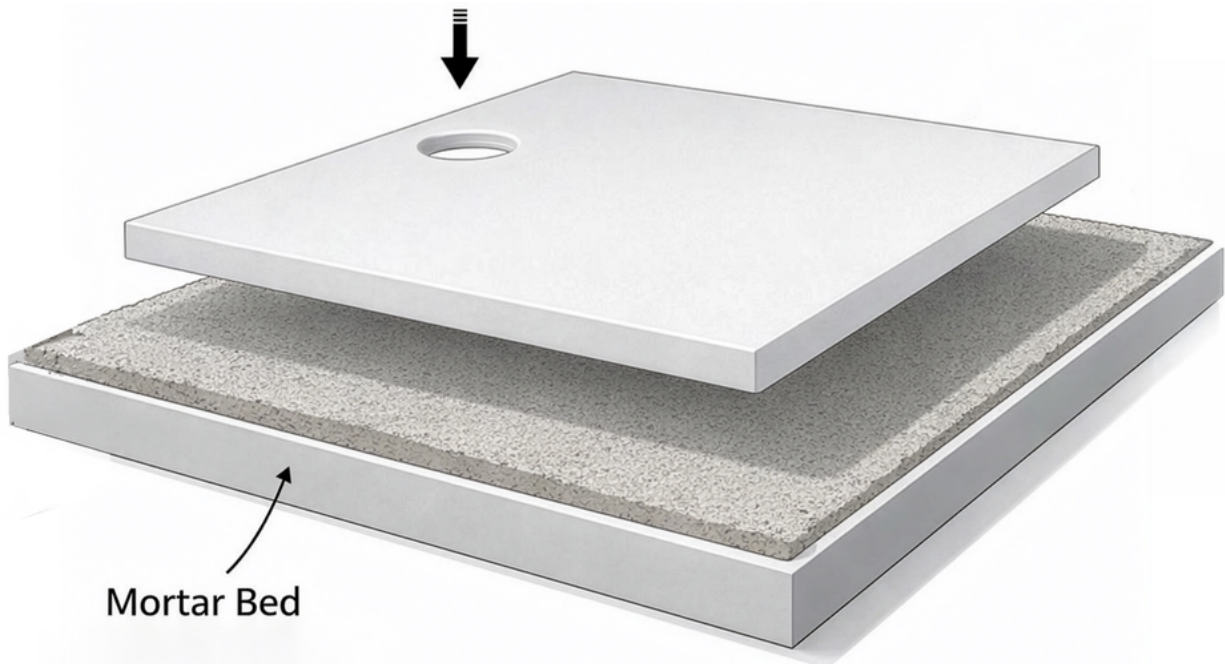
4. Bed the Tray Correctly (CRITICAL STEP)

Best practice: FULL mortar/cement bed support

- Use a sand-cement mix (typically 4:1) or manufacturer-approved compound
- Apply a full bed, not just blobs
- Place tray and press down evenly
- Check level again immediately

Avoid:

- Just foam blobs (unless manufacturer specifically allows it)
- Leaving hollow spots (causes cracking and movement)

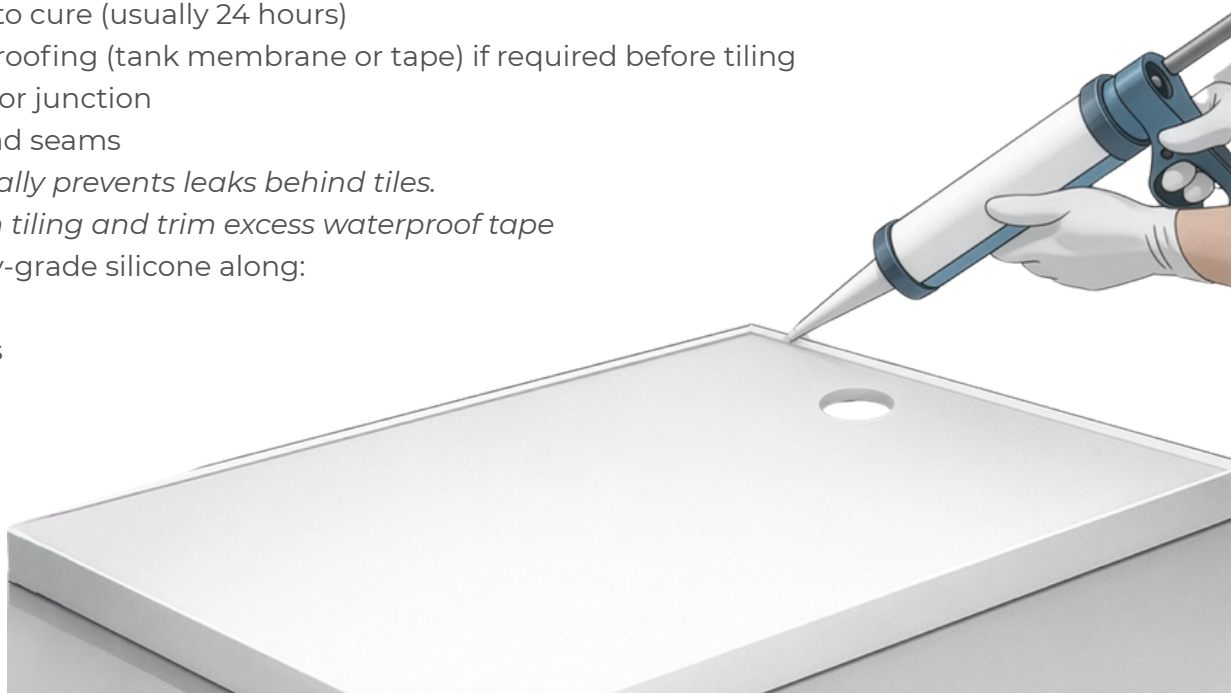


5. Secure and Seal

- Allow mortar to cure (usually 24 hours)
- Install waterproofing (tank membrane or tape) if required before tiling
 - Wall-to-floor junction
 - Corners and seams

This is what actually prevents leaks behind tiles.

- Continue with tiling and trim excess waterproof tape
- Apply sanitary-grade silicone along:
 - Wall joints
 - Tray edges



6. Final Testing

- Run water for several minutes
- Check:
 - Drainage speed
 - Leaks underneath
 - Water pooling

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Common Mistakes to Avoid

- Not supporting the full base (leading cause of cracks)
- Installing out of level (poor drainage)
- Skipping waterproofing
- Over-tightening waste fittings (causes leaks later)
- Installing directly onto uneven tiles or timber

Pro Tips

- Use a low-profile tray only if drainage slope is sufficient
- Always follow the manufacturer's instructions
- For premium floors (stone resin), full support is even more critical

