



# Installation Manual

## SH700 Shower Cabinets

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### ***Before you begin, note the following...***

- Caution, safety first! Be certain to have and use the proper safety gear.
- Plumbing fixtures and associated connections are not supplied by Metpar. Verify that pipes and waste lines have been installed in their proper location before you proceed.
- This installation manual is intended to be used in conjunction with the toilet partition layout drawings or standard SH700 shower details prepared by Metpar. Refer to the drawings/details for further information such as; shower sizes, shower positions, pipe chase covers (if applicable) etc.
- When the material is shipped to you, an Initial Release (packing list) is included. Be certain that all items you need have been ordered and shipped properly.
- Normally the shower terrazo base will be installed by a professional plumber. It is this person who will be responsible for setting the base(s) properly. Otherwise, there is no adjustment in the SH700 shower cabinets. The plumb and level condition of the cabinet is solely dependent upon the properly level installation of its base.





## A note for the plumber...

- When planning the pipes, plumbing fixtures and waste lines, review the Metpar layout drawings carefully to determine the position and location of the shower cabinets. Verify where the shower heads will be installed. Also verify the location for the waste lines. Some shower bases have a center drain while others have one that is offset.
- Plan ahead... the customer has an option to install the handicap shower cabinet flush on top of the finished floor, or to have it recessed down into the floor by 2¼" so that the shower entrance is now flush with the finished floor. If the base is set on top of the floor, then it is suggested to have a "ramp" installed to meet the entrance of the shower base for easier handicap accessibility.
- Something else to consider... All SH700 shower cabinets are 82" high. If a handicap shower cabinet is recessed into the floor, then the top will no longer align with top of another shower cabinet next to it. Furthermore, if there are dressing compartments in front of the shower cabinets, or if there are toilet partitions next to them, the headrail from these units will not align with the top of the handicap shower cabinet. If the customer wants to avoid this, then the terrazo base from the handicap shower cabinet should be installed flush on top of the finished floor with a "ramp" to meet the base entrance.
- To determine the correct position of a square standard size shower base, look at the small inner lock flange and find two (2) "V" grooves on two sides. Either of these two sides must face the entry to the shower.



## Metpar tips...

- Plan ahead... coordinate all of the materials and hardware for each specific layout. Study your layout drawings and evaluate any special conditions that may require custom size materials, unique hardware or special tools.
- Read all of these instructions carefully and thoroughly. Reading this manual first will better prepare you for the entire installation.



## **Step 1 - Layout**

Review the layout for the shower cabinets as well as any dressing compartments and/or toilet partitions that may be installed in conjunction with the showers. At this stage the shower bases should already be installed. Carefully check that the flange around the perimeter of the base is evenly spread and not crushed from installation. Note that the smaller inner lock flanges have "V" grooves in them. One of these sides must face the entry to the shower.

## **Step 2 - Prepare Rear Panels**

Take the rear panel and place one aluminum corner post on each side. The beveled end of the corner post points downward. The top end of the panel is flat while the bottom is uneven due to one face of the panel being longer. The inside face of the panel is identified as the longer of the two faces.

## **Step 3 - Install Rear Panels**

Lift the rear panel along with the corner posts and place the outside bottom edge of the panel firmly against the inside of the rear flange of the base. Make sure that the corner posts have fit between the two side flanges. Lower the panel into place so that it engages with the small lock flange on the base.

## **Step 4 - Install Side Panels**

Take one side panel and slide it into the rear corner post previously installed with the rear panel. As you slide the panel into the back post, slowly lower it so it engages into the lock flange inside the base. Repeat this for the other side panel. **CAUTION:** make sure that the bottoms of the panels are down and the longer faces are toward the inside.

## **Step 5 - Install Front Pilasters**

In a similar fashion as the other panels, install the two small front pilasters along with the two front corner posts.

## **Step 6 - Set Top Cap**

Slide the top cap over the top of the shower so that the top of each panel fits inside the top cap. The cap has an additional flange along one edge which sits above the front entry of the shower and accepts the curtain track.

## **Step 7 - Install Thresholds**

Take one threshold and slide it down between the two small front pilasters so it engages with the lock flange in the base. Take the other threshold and slide it up between the two small front pilasters so it fits into the void under the cap. Secure this piece with screws through the holes in the top cap.



## **Step 8 - Secure Top Cap**

Make sure all of the panels are even at the top into the cap and secure in place with screws through the holes in the cap.

## **Step 9 - Accessories**

At this time, you can now install your accessories such as the soap dish, curtain track, glides and shower curtain. If it is a handicap shower, you may also have grab bars and/or a seat to install within the cabinet. A pipe chase cover may have been ordered to conceal any spaces between two or more showers which were installed side-by-side.

## **Step 10 - Care & Maintenance**

For general care and maintenance, all surfaces must be kept clean with water and a mild soap solution. Water left on units for extended periods will damages the surface. The finish must be wiped dry following cleaning. Areas with high humidity must be properly ventilated.

## **Step 11 - Need Help?**

In the unlikely event that you need further help, you have several resources. First, contact the Metpar representative from which you purchased the materials. They are best suited to assist you. Another quick and easy source of information is the Metpar internet web site. Here you will find a wealth of information, details, specifications, technical support and so much more. Our URL address is; <http://www.Metpar.com> or you can send e-mail to us at; [Service@Metpar.com](mailto:Service@Metpar.com). Finally, you can also contact us by phone at 516-333-2600, fax at 516-333-2618, or mail at 95 State Street, Westbury, NY 11590.





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