



FILE #3577

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RichPan

Installation Instructions

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1. GENERAL INFORMATION

RichPan is a flexible Polyvinyl Chloride (PVC) membrane used in full mortar bed shower installations as concealed waterproofing.

NOTES:

- a) RichPan is plumbing code listed, IAPMO File #3577.
- b) Do not use RichPan in a thin-bed method. Noble Company recommends using NobleSeal® TS or ValueSeal® for thin-bed applications.
- c) Tile cannot be directly bonded to RichPan.
- d) Install in strict compliance with these instructions and comply with all applicable ANSI standards, TCNA recommendations, and building and plumbing codes.
- e) For applications not detailed herein, contact Noble Company.

2. MATERIALS

- 2.1 **PRODUCT:** RichPan is a thin .040" (1.0 mm) PVC membrane for full mortar bed shower installations.
- 2.2 **FLEXIBLE PVC SEAM CEMENT (SHOWER PAN LINER SEAM ADHESIVE):** Use Flexible PVC Seam Cement to seam sheets, seal penetrations (i.e., pipes, wire), drains, and terminal edges. Seal preformed corners to sheet.
- 2.3 **PVC PREFORMED OUTSIDE/DAM CORNERS:** Use to flash over curb/dam.
- 2.4 **TOOLS:** Normal tile setting tools plus scissors or utility knife, rubber hand roller, and linoleum roller.

3. PLANNING & LAYOUT

- 3.1 **MEMBRANE:** Quantity of RichPan sheet required should include waste, upturns, and seams. Use preformed corners as necessary.
- 3.2 **PVC PREFORMED OUTSIDE/DAM CORNERS:** Recommended even when not required.
- 3.3 **FLEXIBLE PVC SEAM CEMENT:** One pint seams approximately 50 linear feet.

4. PREPARATION & PROCEDURES

>>>>RECOMMENDED: Test materials and method under job-site conditions to confirm suitability.

- 4.1 **INSPECTION:** The structural floor or substrate must be clean, smooth, and free of holes, cracks, and sharp projections. Nail heads should be driven flush or recessed.
- 4.2 **BLOCKING:** Blocking between studs is recommended to support upturned membrane.
HINT: Notching the studs at each corner approximately 1/8" will provide space for folded RichPan corners and prevent backer board from bowing. If metal studs are used, the backer board can be "shimmed" slightly to provide space for the folded corners.
- 4.3 **SUBSTRATES:** Substrate should be sloped per code requirements with no depressions where ponding could occur (i.e. PRO-SLOPE™).
NOTE: Where drains are incorporated into the installation (e.g., showers, commercial kitchens, decks, etc.), the substrate must be sloped towards the drain.
- 4.4 **DRAINS:** Drains must be equipped with proper clamping devices and weep holes. Inspect for warpage of clamping ring or drain body. Replace drains warped over .040". When reusing existing drain, clean rust, caulk, mortar, etc., from face of clamping ring and matching surface on drain. Use a bead of 100% silicone sealant to form a watertight seal between RichPan and the drain body.
- 4.5 **INSTALLER:** Must be familiar with Noble Company's current written instructions, TCNA Handbook recommendations, and ANSI A108 and A118 standards. Contractor must be experienced with installation procedures for Noble Company products or be instructed by a Noble Company representative prior to commencing work.

5. INSTALLATION PROCEDURES

- 5.1 **PAN:** Line the area with RichPan. Allow for upturn when cutting sheet.
NOTE: Rolls of RichPan are marked with blue lines at approximately 6" intervals. These marks are intended to be used as guidelines, not accurate measurements.
- 5.2 **UPTURNS:** The upturn should be 3" above the finished dam or floodplane as specified or required by code. Membrane should be flashed behind the backer board.
- 5.3 **FOLDED CORNERS:** Turn the sheet up on all sides using folded corners (see Figure 2) or use preformed inside corners as needed.
- 5.4 **FASTEN:** Secure the liner to the backing or studs with nails or staples in top 1" of flashed membrane. Install upturn at dam over the top and fasten on outside face. Where metal studs are used and no backup material is provided, use sheet metal screws and washers. Where walls are concrete or block, use masonry nails or screws with washers.



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- 5.5 PVC PREFORMED OUTSIDE/DAM CORNERS:** Protects against water leakage at the junction of the shower opening and the dam. Recommended even when not required. To install corners, use Flexible PVC Seam Cement (shower pan liner seam adhesive) and follow product directions.
- 5.6 DRAINS:** Press firmly on the RichPan using drain body as a cutting template to cut the opening.
CAUTION: When cutting bolt holes, do not cut beyond outside perimeter of clamping area. Snug bolts evenly and then tighten firmly to make a watertight seal. Apply a bead of 100% silicone sealant under the sheet over the clamping ring drain body.
- 5.7 PENETRATIONS:** If it becomes necessary to penetrate the membrane below the waterline or in any other critical area, use a piece of RichPan 2" larger (all sides) than damaged area and seal the patch over the damaged RichPan with Flexible PVC Seam Cement.
- 5.8 SEAMING AND JOINING PROCEDURES:** When the area to be waterproofed is wider than the width of a sheet, sheets may be seamed (joined) using Flexible PVC Seam Cement.
CAUTION: Bonding area must be dry, clean, and free of dust, dirt, oil, and grease.
- 5.9 TESTING:** Test in accordance with local plumbing codes. Inspect for leakage. If leaking is detected, first re-tighten clamping ring, then inspect ring to be certain it mates with the drain body and is not warped. If defective, replace. It may be possible to seal by welding a second layer of RichPan in area of drain body. Repeat testing until no leaks can be detected.
TIP: To protect liner from damage, water may be left in pan.

6. INSTALL MORTAR BED

Install mortar bed per TCNA and ANSI recommendations.

7. WARRANTY

RichPan is guaranteed for five years by Noble Company against failure caused by rotting, cracking, and microorganism deterioration when properly installed in concealed construction waterproofing and applications for which its use is recommended by Noble Company. This warranty is limited to replacement of defective material and freight charges to destination only. There are no other expressed or implied warranties, and this warranty is in lieu of any other warranty, including, but not limited to, implied warranties of merchantability and fitness for purpose. Noble Company is not responsible for consequential damages. The remedy of the purchaser set forth herein is exclusive.

NOTE: RICHPAN MUST BE INSTALLED IN STRICT COMPLIANCE WITH THESE INSTRUCTIONS, APPLICABLE ANSI STANDARDS, TCNA RECOMMENDATIONS, AND BUILDING CODES.

These suggestions and data are based on information Noble Company believes to be reliable. Users should verify by tests that RichPan, as well as these installation methods, are suitable with the products being used in their application. Since specific use, materials, and handling are not controlled by Noble Company, this warranty is limited to the replacement of defective Noble Company products. Noble Company disclaims any responsibility for (a) warranties of merchantability and fitness for purpose; (b) verbal recommendations of its representatives; and (c) consequential damages.

8. FIGURES/DRAWINGS

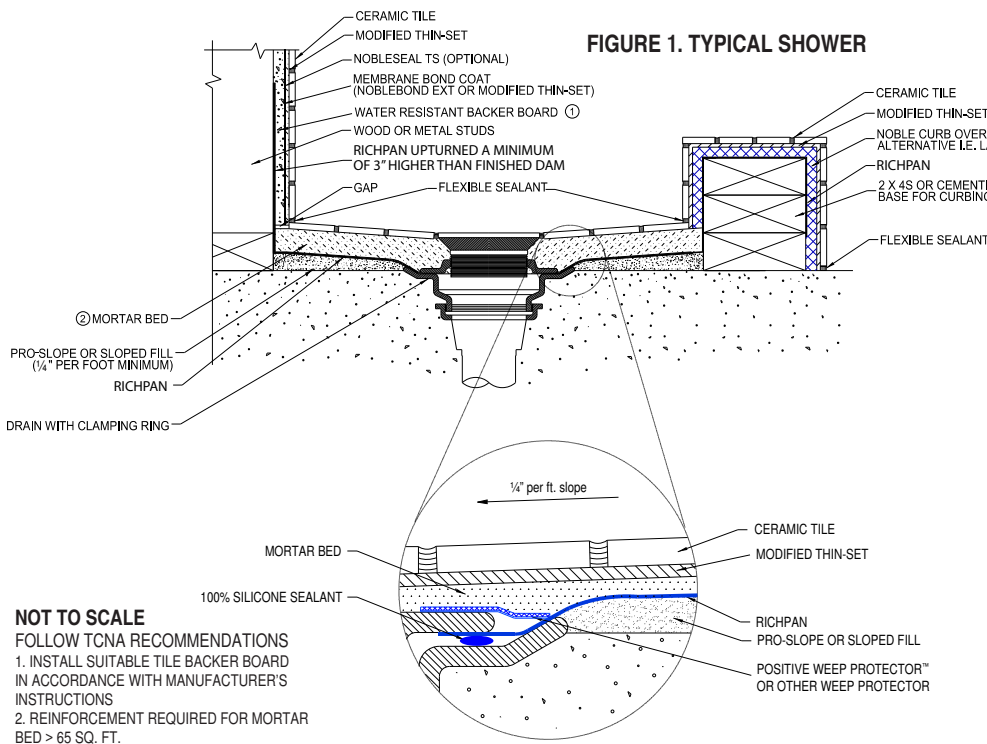
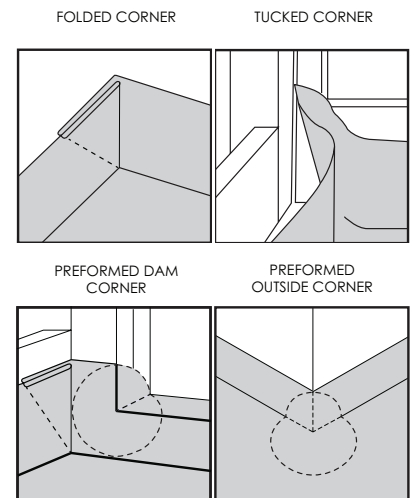


FIGURE 2. CORNERS



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