



## Frequently Asked Questions

# Waterstop Streamline FAQs

## Answers to Common Questions

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*Do you have a question about something? Read through our Frequently Asked Questions and click on them to find the answers you're looking for.*

### **Where can I buy Waterstop Streamline from?**

A: Waterstop Streamline can either be purchased direct from the manufacturer (Gleda Pty Ltd) or from a range of re-sellers or distributors. For further information please refer to the "How to order" page.

### **What height is the angle?**

A: The extrusion used measures 65mm in total height, which allows an adequate fall to waste for even the largest of shower designs. For further information, including section drawing with dimensions, please refer to our "Technical Information" page.

### **Can I use any shower screen with the product?**

A: Waterstop Streamline has been in use for over eight years and more than 30,000 shower screens have been fitted to the product without issue. Some screen designs do have plastic fittings to join floor frames or sill extrusion that may cause the screen to fit a few millimeters out from the back edge of the Waterstop Streamline product. In most cases the screen installer is able to make minor adjustments to allow a closer fit. However, if you are uncertain please speak with your screen supplier and ask them to contact our technical department.

### **How do you join it at the corners?**

A: Waterstop Streamline does not require any assembly on site as it is fabricated from one piece of extrusion and comes ready to fit. For available sizes and styles please click [here](#).

### **Can I trim or cut it on site?**

A: It is common to find installers trimming one or both legs of the product on site to suite out of square bathroom walls or to fit a rectangular shape shower design. You can simply use a standard hacksaw or a drop saw. Remember to measure twice and cut once!

### **I have a very large shower to build that has some odd angles. Can you make a special size?**

A: Yes, Gleda offers a custom build service for non-standard shapes, sizes and colours. Please also be aware that many uneven configurations can easily be cut on site from standard product. For further information please refer to the custom made section in our product range.

### **Can the product be repaired if it is damaged after installation?**

A: Yes, Gleda has developed a repair system that can be used once installed. However, we have found that due to the high quality and robust nature of the finish and the thick protective tape used to protect the product whilst being installed there have been very few issues with damage.

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### **Does the product comply with the Building Code and Australian Standards?**

A: Yes, in fact Waterstop Streamline was developed by a group of waterproofers, tillers, screen installers and building construction supervisors after learning that the standard was about to change in 2004. The code and standard refer to the need for a waterstop to be fitted to all enclosed shower cubicles and that the waterstop must protrude above the finished tile height by no less than 5mm. Waterstop Streamline not only complies, but exceeds the standard and at the same time is the most simple and reliable way to ensure long-term waterproof performance.

### **Will it cost more than what I am using currently?**

A: The simple answer is NO. In general most builders find the benefits and savings are significant. This has resulted in major developers and builders such as Devine Homes, Choice Homes, AV Jennings, Phillip Usher Constructions, and Glencorp all using Waterstop Streamline. However, it does depend upon how individual companies assess costs. More information on the hidden costs faced by builders is available in our Technical Information.

### **Is there a warranty?**

A: Gelda provides a manufacturing warranty that covers any faults with the product. Damage caused by installation or miss-use is not covered; however, Gleda has developed a system for repair insitu.

### **Who can install them?**

A: Waterstop Streamline simplifies shower construction and replaces other common materials like aerated cement block and standard aluminium or plastic angles. The installation process utilises all common waterproofing techniques and therefore any licenced waterproofer, tiler or builder authorised to perform waterproofing in buildings is able to fit this product.

### **What waterproofing membrane can I use with the product?**

A: Waterstop Streamline is fabricated from aluminium extrusion and the responsibility for compatibility of waterproofing products used in conjunction with this product remains with the installer. However, Waterstop Streamline was developed for and is most suited to liquid applied membranes. There are many brands and versions of liquid applied membranes to choose from.

### **What do you recommend we stick or screw it down with?**

A: Waterstop Streamline has been designed with a large serrated horizontal base leg (40mm wide) to allow very strong adhesion when gluing the angle to the substrate. Most installers use a flexible sealant that is compatible with the membrane they use to form the shower tray. Using metal fasteners risks promoting Galvanic Corrosion which could result in damage to the alloys used to manufacture the Streamline extrusion. We do not recommend fixing the angle with screws or any other form of penetration. Gluing with a urethane type sealant will be more than adequate and will allow the angle to be leveled easily. For further information please refer to our installation instructions.

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### **How much of the product remains above the tiles and in view?**

A: There are two common methods of shower design/installation that affect the appearance of the finished product - direct stick or bedded tiles on the bathroom floor. If you choose the direct stick method of tiling for your bathroom floor (outside of the shower) you will see approximately 40mm of the Waterstop Streamline product. If you choose to bed the bathroom floor before tiling the amount of the Waterstop Streamline product remaining in view will depend entirely on how high your tile bed is raised. Either method creates a streamline modern appearance that will outlast most other bathroom fittings. For further information please refer to our installation instructions.

### **How does the shower screen connect to it?**

A: All shower screen systems have fixing points along their vertical connections with the walls and usually have very little, apart from a bead of silicon, to connect with the floor. Waterstop Streamline provides a secure, straight and precise vertical leg for the base of the shower screen to rest against. Any common screen floor-frame, sill extrusion or frameless glass will easily connect to Waterstop Streamline. For further information please refer to our installation instructions.

### **I am renovating my bathroom; can I use Waterstop Streamline?**

A: Waterstop Streamline is commonly used with many bathroom/shower renovations. The only requirement to consider is the demolition of your existing shower structure, which needs to be taken back to bare floor substrate. Once the floor substrate is exposed you will be able to start constructing your new shower with Waterstop Streamline. For further information please refer to our installation instructions.