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Install a showerhead



If you have difficulty with any of the steps, please call a plumber. Don't force the fittings or overtighten the new showerhead as you may damage the wall or plumbing fittings.

If you have a gravity fed hot water or an older instantaneous hot water service, you may need to seek assistance from a plumber.

Save water, save energy, save money

These are three key benefits of installing a water efficient showerhead. The savings in water can be up to 50%.

Easy installation

Installing a water efficient showerhead is incredibly easy and you don't need a plumber. All you need is a shifter and the showerhead which are available from hardware stores and retail outlets. Each showerhead should have its own set of instructions but just in case we have included some basic installation information to assist.

How to install your showerhead:

- 1.** Remove existing showerhead arm (turn anti-clockwise), using a spanner and cloth if needed.

Do not force it – you may damage the wall.



- 2.** Clean thread of supply outlet with steel wool or a stiff brush and dry the area thoroughly.



- 3.** Wind about 6 rotations of plumbers tape around supply outlet.

Keep the outer most thread clear of tape.



- 4.** Place flange or wall plate over supply outlet, if one is not pre-existing.

- 5.** Attach showerhead to arm. Screw new showerhead arm onto supply outlet (turning clockwise).

Don't reverse the screwing action (it will break the tape seal).

Don't use shower arm to tighten, use a spanner and cloth if needed, but don't overtighten.

