# Oakmere Installation Guide.

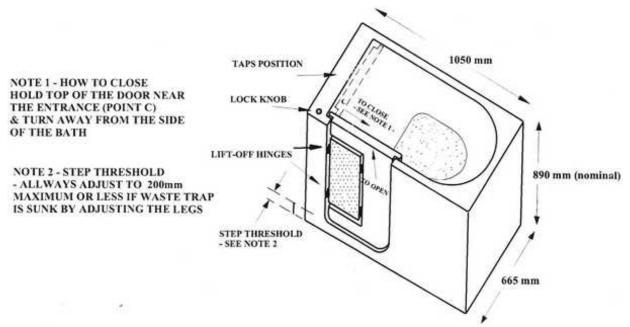
The Oakmere is supplied with the following components:-

Bath with Left or Right Hand Door Opening – SHOWN BELOW AS LHS DOOR OPENING Front Panel & optional End Panel Twin Waste kit with Shallow Traps 2 x Wall fixing brackets

built-in independence

#### Other Items supplied required with contract

Thermostatic Valve TMV22( high flow rate) -MUST BE INSTALLED IN ALL CASES Possible additional items: Pump and flow switch. (Refer to Installation notes) Bath/shower mixer/taps. (Refer to Installation notes.)



#### **IMPORTANT NOTES**

The bath is supplied with 4 adjustable feet fitted & has a water capacity of 200 litres (unoccupied) which may require pump assisted taps with a flow rate of 17 litres/min minimum. Use only 22mm pipe leads to enhance flow rate. Bath is filled only when user has entered and shut door, consequently taps must be thermostatically controlled.

Installation is similar as for a standard bath except that twin wastes are supplied to increase drainage rate & to ensure the bath can be drained if one waste fails. The bath should be installed rigidly to ensure there will be no movement or sagging of the floor when bath is used.

Consideration should be given to lowering the wastes below the floor level to keep the step threshold to a minimum to assist customer's ability to step into the bath.

If fitting in an alcove ensure the bath freely goes into position (as sideways pressure can distort the doorway).

The Oakmere is manufactured in glass fibre. When handling, proceed with care and caution, in particular the bath edges are more brittle than in acrylic baths.

For ease of manoeuvrability we recommend the door be removed after unpacking the bath. The door is held in place with 'lift-off' hinges. Open the door then lift from bath.

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#### **Standard Fitting Guide.**

- 1) Lift off door and lay aside.
- 2) Fit the wall fixing brackets to timber frame under back rim for fixing the bath to the wall.
- 3) Drill and affix Taps.
- 4) Fit wastes, overflow and shallow waste traps supplied.
- 5) Place bath in position and adjust to it's minimum height.

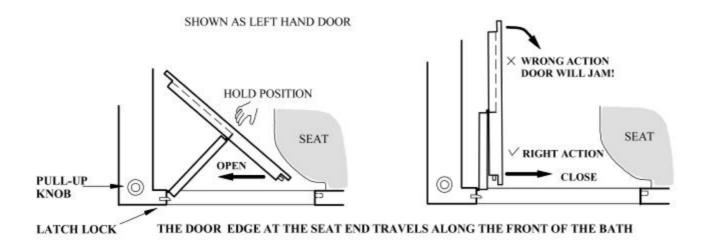
Note: It is advisable to fix batten runs on to the floor under the bath feet to avoid extending the legs to far & to ensure feet sit squarely and flat. On a wooden floor batten runs (3" x 2" minimum) should be positioned squarely across the floor boards to spread & support the load.

- 6) Level bath in all planes using the four adjustable feet on the four outer corners and lock the feet.
- 7) Mark wall fixings and plumbing runs.
- 8) Remove bath, drill wall fixings and run plumbing into position.
- 9) Re-position bath and affix to wall and to floor via all four bath feet.
- 10) Connect plumbing. The wastes may be run independently or joined by use of a tee. Refer to fitting guides for the Thermostatic valve and Pump if supplied.
- 11) Re-hang door.
- 12) Test plumbing for leaks.
- 13) Fill bath to maximum and leave for about 30 minutes to test the door seal.
- 14) While the bath seal is tested position and trim to size Front and Side.
- 15) Mark bottom of panels onto floor base. Fix battens along floor behind panels.
- 16) Refit front and side panels. Drill through bottom into batten and top into bath wooden frame. Affix panels using screws and caps. Do not use Silicone sealant as this prevents service access.
- 17) Finally drain bath and <u>leave the Door Open (</u> Door should not be locked when not in use to prevent over compression of the seal).
- **18)** Instruct customer on the use of the bath.
  - Refer to 'Operating/Care and Maintenance Instructions' and leave copy with customer.
  - Do not leave door in locked position on completion. Advise customer that the door should be left unlocked when not in use in order to preserve the seal.

## THE OAKMERE BATH

### **IMPORTANT INSTRUCTIONS FOR CUSTOMER**

#### PLEASE READ CAREFULLY AND RETAIN FOR FURTHER USE. IMPROPER USE OR CARE CAN INVALIDATE THE WARRANTY.



#### **OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS**

The Oakmere bath features a unique 2-part folding door to allow for easier access. A latch lock and bolt are located on the left and right hand side of the doorway respectively. Simply 'slam shut' door to close and lock into position. Always keep the door unlocked when not in use to prevent wear out of the seal.

- 1. Prior to entering bath push door inwards holding the top of door just off center to it's non hinged side. The door then automatically folds back on its self as shown above.
- 2. In a standing position in bath shut door by pulling gently from the nearside central position of door. Do Not pull from the far side as door will jam (as shown above). As door approaches closed position push outwards to engage the latch lock and lock the door.

Now be seated. Bath is ready for use.

- 3. After bathing, remain seated whilst all the water is drained on release of the 2 wastes.
- 4. Pull Up on the lock knob in a standing position to release the lock and open door.
- 5. Exit bath and leave door unlocked when not in use to preserve the door seal.

\*IT IS BEST TO HANDLE DOOR JUST OFF CENTRE ON NON-HINGE SIDE \*

\* NEVER ATTEMPT TO OPEN DOOR WHEN BATH IS FILLED WITH WATER \*

\* DO NOT LEAN ON DOOR OR USE FOR SUPPORT \*

#### **CARE AND MAINTENANCE**

The Oakmere Bath is manufactured to a very high standard in G.R.P. (Reinforced Plastic) to ensure its durability and appearance is maintained over many years of use. It has a robust, smooth and warm surface which is non-porous, resistant to dirt and bacteria and easy to clean and maintain.

# <u>This bath will give many years of service and continue to look good if cleaned</u> <u>correctly and treated with care.</u>

#### **CLEANING**

1. As with standard baths, cleaning will vary subject to the scale residue dependant on the hard or soft water level. In soft water areas, wash down with warm water and detergent applied with a soft cloth or sponge. In hard water areas, non-abrasive or mild acid cleansers can be used. Clean regularly followed by wiping with a dry soft cloth.

Widely available proprietary plastic/enamel bath cleansers are ideal cleaning agents which offer the advantage of a polished shine without rubbing down.

For the extra sparkle, and to further preserve the surface, the Bath can be gently polished occasionally. Beeswax and Brasso (Brass Polish) are suitable for this purpose. Polishing the anti-slip base should be treated with caution so as not to diminish its effectiveness.

- 2. The stainless steel lock receiver on outer face of door can be polished occasionally with a to ensure it does not discolour. It is recommended the latch lock is also lubricated on average once a year subject to the chlorine content in the water. A lubricant such as "WD 40" is ideal or 'Mr Sheen' –General Polish Household Cleaner which acts as both a lubricant and polisher.
- **3.** The white silicone seal along bath door sides should be cleaned occasionally. Use detergent and warm water applied with a sponge or soft cloth. Apply gently and refrain from excessive rubbing.
- 4. Ideally all chrome or gold plated furniture should be wiped down dry after use. Clean with soapy water and buff with a dry soft cloth. Note: Surfaces can easily be damaged with acid/abrasive cleaners or with a rough sponge.

#### **CAUTION**

- <u>DO NOT LOCK THE DOOR WHEN BATH IS NOT IN USE.</u> <u>LEAVE DOOR UNLOCKED WHEN NOT IN USE TO PRESERVE THE DOOR SEAL.</u>
- KEEP THE WHITE SILICONE SEAL FREE OF ANY BUILD UP OF DEPOSITS. CLEAN GENTLY AND AVOID UNNECESSARY HANDLING.
- DO NOT APPLY ANY UNDUE FORCE TO THE BATH DOOR. HANDLE GENTLY.

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