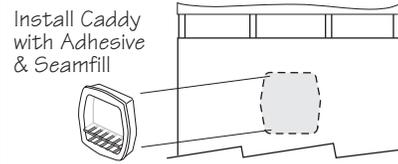
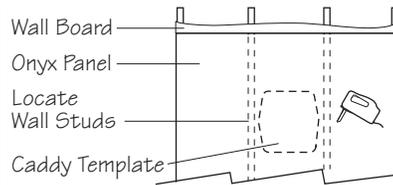


❶ Installing Recessed Shower Caddies

If you are installing a recessed Soap or Shampoo Caddy, keep track of the locations of the wall studs so there is not a conflict when cutting the hole for the caddy.

Cut holes for recessed caddies after the panel is installed and fully supported by the wall.

Each recessed caddy includes instructions and a template for the exact cut-out needed.



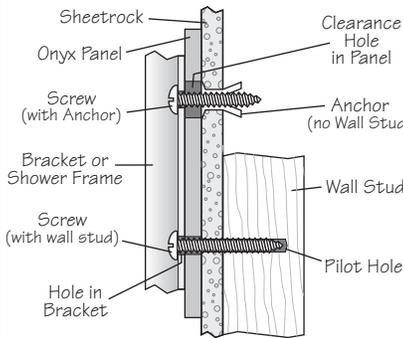
Always check for stud location before cutting the panel. If there are no studs in the intended area for the caddy, but the exact stud location is not known, begin with a small hole and then measure over to the stud for the exact location.

❷ Mounting Shower Doors and Shower Accessories

Follow the mounting instructions that come with each accessory.

When drilling holes in the Onyx Wall Panel, always make the hole slightly larger than the fastener in order to avoid stress on the panel.

If anchors must be used because the screw location cannot be aligned with a wall stud, make the clearance hole in the Onyx Panel large enough for the head of the anchor to fit through so it can anchor securely into the wall board behind the panel. (see sketch)



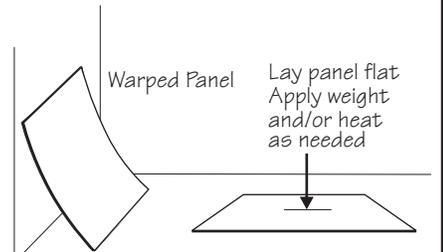
Clearance holes through the Onyx Panels are very important. Fasteners should pass through a clearance hole in the Onyx and never screw directly into the Onyx. Always secure fasteners to anchors or wood backing as seen in the sketch.

Other Helpful Suggestions & Solutions

What to do if a panel is not flat:

If a wall panel has a bend in it, it can be flattened by simply laying it on a flat surface overnight.

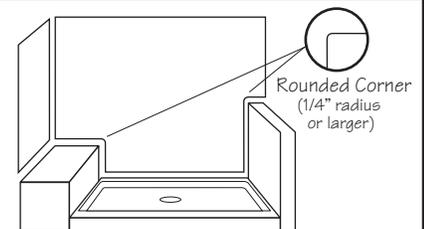
To flatten the panel faster, gradually apply a little weight and/or heat (normally heat is not necessary, but if it is, an electric blanket or hair dryer will work well). The panel should flatten within a few minutes.



Cutting or Notching Panels:

Always put a radius on the inside corner when notching a panel. The rounded corner will greatly reduce the chance of the panel cracking during installation.

In cooler temperatures, use extra caution when cutting and notching panels because the panels do not flex as well when cold. Warming the panel will make it more flexible and easier to install.



Panel Care During Installation:

Panels are packaged with a protective plastic wrap on them. Leave this wrap on the panel until the panel is ready to be installed (after all sizing and trimming is completed) to help avoid scratches. When cutting the panel, protect the finished side of the panel with cardboard or painter's tape to keep the saw from scratching the panel.

Cleaning and Care

Your Onyx products can be cleaned using almost any liquid household cleaner (except those that have abrasive particles in them which can scratch the Onyx surface). We offer a cleaner and surface protector (Eliminate® and Repel®), but most quality cleaning products you can buy locally will work well. After cleaning, use Repel® or Gel Gloss® to make future cleaning easier. For heavy cleaning, a soft brush can be used.

Also, ventilation is important to help reduce water spots and mineral deposits, so keep doors open when possible.

