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# **Installation and Operation Manual**

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Mineral Composite Sinks Vessel and Semi-Recessed **Installer:** This booklet must be given to the product owner. Please include important information below:

Distributor Name

Model Number

Manufacturer's Date

Serial / Registration Number

## Owner's Manual & Installation Guide

Thank you for purchasing an Acquabella product.

The instructions in this booklet will provide you with the information needed to install and maintain this unit. The ease of cleaning and the elegant look will provide you with many years of pleasure. This information is also available on **acquabellabaths.com**.

Our customer service department is available to answer any additional questions you may have pertaining to installation and care of your Acquabella product. Please call **800-783-8827** to speak to our Service Department or email **service@acquabella-baths.com**.



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# Installation Instructions

## Lavatory Drain Installation

Acquabella's mineral composite sink bowls are designed to accommodate nearly any properly-sized lavatory drain kit. Contact area from drain to sink requires careful installation to seal properly. Because of variations in lavatory drain design styles, the following drain installation information is provided:

- Apply 100% clear silicone generously near and at the contact area and tighten. Typical tightness is snug plus a half turn. **Do not exceed 7 ft-lb maximum. Product damage will occur.**
- Insufficient sealant on installation may result in over tightening in an attempt to achieve a better seal at the contact area.
- · Over-tightening will create excessive stress at the contact point which can result in compression cracks over time.
- · Compression cracks are not considered a defect of material and will void the product's warranty.

## Vessel Sinks

- 1. Place sink in installation location and mark drain opening on countertop. If faucet is to be mounted, allow additional clearance for supply lines.
- **2.** Mark a 3–4" cutout on the countertop for drain assembly. The cutout should be large enough to tighten the drain assembly.
- 3. Drill appropriately sized hole(s) for faucet valve(s) using a diamond hole saw.
- **4.** Install drain body on sink. 100% clear silicone is recommended in lieu of plumber's putty under the waste flange of the lavatory drain.
- **5.** Apply a thin bead of polyeurethane-based construction adhesive to bottom of sink and secure to countertop.
- 6. Place sink onto planned location and allow silicone to cure.
- 7. Connect supply lines and drain pipes; test for leaks.

## Semi-Recessed Sinks

- 1. Place template(s) in installation location and mark cutout for sink recess on countertop. If faucet is to be mounted, allow additional clearance for supply lines.
- 2. Cut countertop along marked cutout.
- **3.** Install drain body on sink. 100% clear silicone is recommended in lieu of plumber's putty under the waste flange of the lavatory drain.
- 4. Dry fit sink in place. If sink does not fit properly, lift sink and rotate 180 degrees.
- **5.** Apply a thin bead of polyeurethane-based construction adhesive to bottom rim of sink and secure to countertop.
- 6. Allow silicone to cure.
- 7. Connect supply lines and drain pipes; test for leaks.





## **Care and Cleaning Instructions**

#### About the Mineral Composite Shell

Mineral composite has a stain-resistant, non-porous surface. With normal use, this surface will retain its appearance with a minimal amount of care.

#### When Cleaning

- Remove dust and dry dirt with a soft, damp cloth.
- Apply common household, non-abrasive cleaner in accordance with Manufacturer's directions and precautions. (i.e., a mild dishwashing detergent such as Ivory Liquid). Do not use unless the product label specifically states that it is safe for acrylic or plastic.
- Rinse well and dry with a soft, clean cloth. Scouring pads will deteriorate the finish.
- Never use any type of "scrubbing bubbles" or aerosol spray cleaners on your mineral composite product.
- Never use bleach, ammonia or organic solvents, such as lacquer, alcohol, acids or alkalis to come into contact with the product surface.
- Never use abrasive cleansers. If any product feels gritty when rubbed between your fingers, do not use on the mineral composite surface or system controls as permanent damage will occur.

**WARNING:** Check cleaning and bathing product labels. Do not use unless the product label specifically states that it is safe for acrylic or plastic. Some non-abrasive products damage the surface over time.

#### **General Care**

- Do not allow the mineral composite surface to come into contact with nail polish, nail polish remover, Wintergreen oil, dry cleaning solution, lacquer thinners, gasoline, pine oil, etc.
- Avoid using razor blades or other sharp objects that might scratch the surface.
- The Manufacturer strongly recommends a professional surface repair person for deep scratches, chips or gouges.
- Damage occurring to the unit during installation is the responsibility of the installer, and after installation, the responsibility of the user.

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**2.** Application; Limitations; Exclusions. The Limited Warranty set forth in Section 1 is subject to the following limitations and conditions, and will be rendered null and void in the event of a failure to meet any of the following conditions:

- a. The Product must:
  - i. have been purchased from an authorized Acquabella distributor or retailer within the boundaries of the continental United States on or after March 1, 2023, paid for in full, and installed within the boundaries of the continental United States<sup>2</sup>;
  - ii. have been installed, maintained and used in strict accordance with instructions provided by Manufacturer, including without limitation maintenance and usage guidelines, and generally accepted standards;
  - iii. be used for the limited purposes of personal, family or single household purposes;
  - iv. have been installed in an indoor, climate-controlled, residential environment;
  - v. have been water tested for proper drainage, system operation, and leak detection prior to completion of installation;
  - vi. not have been altered, customized, modified or repaired, including without limitation, installing the Product with any accessories or by any means not approved in writing by Manufacturer, placing or attaching structures, fixtures or utilities upon or to the Product, installing vents or manual perforations or penetrations, in each case without having obtained prior written authorization from Manufacturer;
  - vii. not have been damaged:
    - 1. due to normal wear and tear;
    - 2. due to unauthorized or unreasonable use or improper handling, including without limitation, damages caused by overfilling a tub or by leaving a running or full tub unattended;
    - 3. by freight carriers, installers, users or other third parties;
    - 4. due to accidents or acts of God, including without limitation, earthquakes, floods, or other storms;
    - 5. due to failure to follow Product instructions; or
    - 6. due to incorrect operation or lack of proper routine maintenance, including without limitation, the use of improper cleaners or abrasives or from food, beverages, bathing products with harmful dyes or other contents, medicinal products, make-up or hair dye, cigarette burns or burns from hot appliances or other misuses of any kind.
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- d. Purchaser must have registered the Product within one hundred twenty (120) days from the date of purchase. Registration may be completed online at https://acquabella.us/contact-us/%20warranty-registration/ or mailed to Manufacturer at 670 N. Price Rd., Sugar Hill, Georgia 30518.
- e. Purchaser must have notified Manufacturer of any claim under this Limited Warranty in writing within ten (10) days of the date Purchaser discovers, or should have discovered, the issue giving rise to the claim. All such claims must be submitted to service@acquabella.us. To be valid, all claims must identify the date of discovery, a description of the defect, the name and address of the installer of the Product, the date and address of installation, and the type or style of the Product.
- f. Damages that occur in transit are the responsibility of the carrier. Purchaser or persons(s) acting on behalf of Purchaser must open and inspect the Product for damage when delivered. If the Product is damaged upon delivery, Purchaser must notify the carrier and Manufacturer in writing immediately and an inspection must be requested. All freight claims must be filed within ten (10) business days.

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Manufacturer is not responsible for labor charges or other charges related to the removal or installation or other costs involved in repairing or replacing the Product or the expense of shipment to or from the factory, except where provided by applicable law. Manufacturer is not responsible for the cost of removing or reinstalling the Product or costs associated with any adjacent materials. Changes in materials, parts or specifications are not valid reasons for product refusal or replacement under warranty claims.

To the greatest extent permitted by applicable law, the remedy set forth in this Section 3 is the sole and exclusive remedy for any claim based on the Product's failure to meet this Limited Warranty. THIS LIMITED WARRANTY IS GIVEN IN LIEU OF ALL OTHER WARRANTIES OR CONDITIONS, STATUTORY OR OTHERWISE, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, INCLUDING THE WARRANTY OF MERCHANTABILITY AND FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE, AND THE CONDITION OF MERCHANTABILITY AND FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE, WHETHER EXPRESS OR IMPLIED BY LAW, COURSE OF DEALING, COURSE OF PERFORMANCE, USAGE OF TRADE OR OTHERWISE.

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