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## 1. INTRODUCTION

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This manual provides detailed instructions for the installation, operation, and maintenance of your DreamLine DL-6190C-01 Center Drain Acrylic Shower Base and QWALL-5 Backwall Kit. This kit combines a SlimLine shower base with coordinating shower backwall panels, designed to transform your shower space. The SlimLine shower base features a low-profile design, and the wall panels have a tile pattern for aesthetic appeal. Both components are constructed from durable Acrylic/ABS advanced materials.



*Figure 1: DreamLine Shower Base and QWALL-5 Backwall Kit installed. This image shows the complete shower system with the white acrylic base and patterned backwalls.*

## 2. SAFETY INFORMATION

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Please read and understand all instructions before beginning installation. Failure to follow these instructions could result in injury or property damage. Professional installation is recommended for optimal safety and performance.

- Always wear appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE) during installation, including safety glasses and gloves.
- Ensure the installation area is well-ventilated.
- Verify that all local plumbing and building codes are met.
- Do not stand on the shower base during installation unless specifically instructed and supported.
- Handle all components with care to prevent damage or injury.
- Ensure the subfloor is level and structurally sound before installing the shower base.

## 3. PACKAGE CONTENTS

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Verify that all components are present and undamaged before proceeding with installation. If any parts are missing or damaged, contact DreamLine customer support.

- DreamLine SlimLine Shower Base (Center Drain, White)
- QWALL-5 Backwall Panels (White)
- 2 Glass Corner Shelves
- Installation Hardware (specific to backwall panels)



Figure 2: DreamLine SlimLine Center Drain Shower Base. This image displays the white acrylic shower base with a textured floor and a central drain opening.

## 4. SETUP AND INSTALLATION

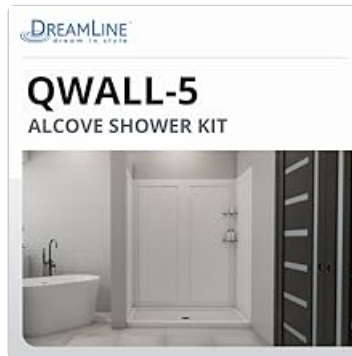
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### 4.1. Pre-Installation Requirements

- **Measurement Requirements:** DreamLine SlimLine Shower Base dimensions are provided for unfinished wall opening measurements (against the studs). Ensure your rough opening matches the base dimensions.
- **Subfloor Preparation:** The shower base requires installation into a bed of mortar for proper structural support

and leveling.

- **Wall Preparation:** QWALL-5 Backwall panels are designed to be installed over an existing solid surface, such as wonderboard or greenboard, not directly to studs.
- **Drain:** A drain assembly is not included and must be purchased separately. Ensure it is compatible with a standard 2-inch compression fitted drain opening.

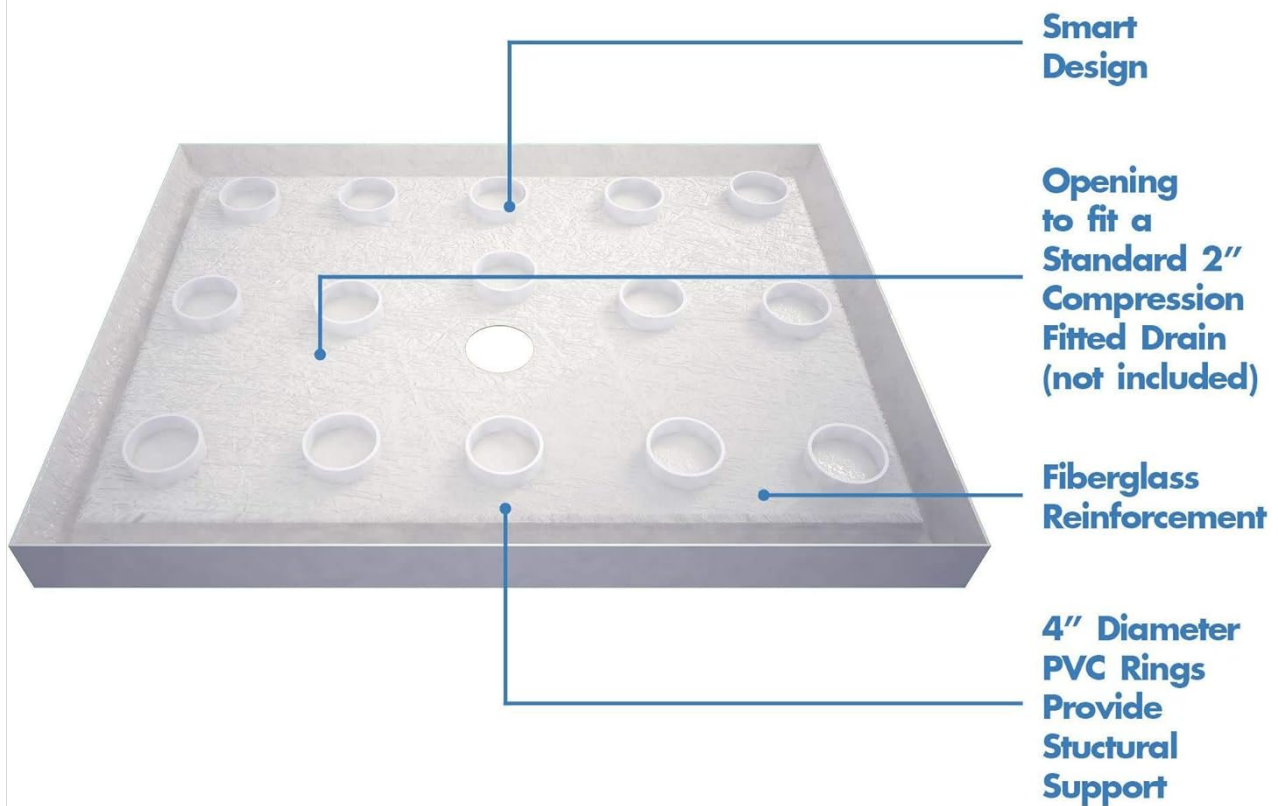


*Figure 3: Measurement Requirements. This image illustrates the difference between unfinished wall openings (for shower bases) and finished wall openings (for shower doors/enclosures).*

## 4.2. Shower Base Installation

1. Prepare the subfloor by ensuring it is clean, level, and structurally sound.
2. Apply a bed of mortar evenly across the installation area where the shower base will rest. This provides crucial structural support.
3. Carefully place the DreamLine SlimLine Shower Base into the mortar bed, aligning the drain opening with your plumbing.
4. Ensure the base is level in all directions. Adjust the mortar as needed.
5. Connect the drain assembly (not included) according to the manufacturer's instructions.
6. Allow the mortar to cure completely before proceeding.

# Base Structural Support



**Structural support is consistent for all DreamLine shower bases. Installation into a bed of mortar is required.**

*Figure 4: Base Structural Support. This diagram shows the underside of a DreamLine shower base, highlighting the fiberglass reinforcement and 4-inch diameter PVC rings that provide structural support.*

## 4.3. QWALL-5 Backwall Installation

1. Ensure the wall surfaces are prepared (e.g., wonderboard/greenboard) and clean.
2. Measure and trim the QWALL-5 panels to size as required for your specific installation. This step is crucial for a proper fit.
3. Apply appropriate adhesive (not included, consult local building codes for recommended type) to the back of the panels.
4. Carefully position and adhere the backwall panels to the prepared wall surfaces, ensuring a watertight connection.
5. Install the included glass corner shelves as desired, following the provided hardware instructions.
6. Allow all adhesives and sealants to cure fully before using the shower.

## 5. OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

Once installed and all sealants have cured, your DreamLine shower system is ready for use. The SlimLine shower base features a SlipGrip textured floor surface designed to enhance slip-resistance and safety during showering.

- Always ensure proper ventilation in the bathroom during and after showering.

- Avoid using abrasive materials or harsh chemicals on the acrylic surfaces to prevent damage.
- Regularly inspect the sealant around the base and backwalls for any signs of wear or leaks.

## 6. CARE AND MAINTENANCE

Proper care and maintenance will ensure the longevity and appearance of your DreamLine shower system. The premium high-gloss non-porous acrylic surfaces are designed for easy maintenance.

- **Cleaning:** Clean the acrylic shower base and backwalls regularly with a soft cloth or sponge and a mild, non-abrasive cleaner. Avoid cleaners containing harsh chemicals, ammonia, or abrasive particles, as these can damage the acrylic finish.
- **Stain Removal:** For stubborn stains, use a diluted solution of white vinegar and water, or a cleaner specifically designed for acrylic surfaces. Rinse thoroughly after cleaning.
- **Preventing Buildup:** Wipe down surfaces after each use to prevent water spots and soap scum buildup.
- **Avoid Abrasives:** Do not use abrasive brushes, scouring pads, or steel wool, as these will scratch the surface.

## 7. TROUBLESHOOTING

This section addresses common issues you might encounter. For problems not listed here, please contact DreamLine customer support.

| Problem                        | Possible Cause   | Solution  |
|--------------------------------|--|---|
| Water Leakage                  | Improperly sealed joints or drain connection.          | Inspect all sealed areas around the base and backwalls. Reapply silicone sealant where necessary. Ensure the drain connection is tight and properly sealed. |
| Base feels unstable or squeaks | Insufficient or uneven mortar bed during installation. | This issue typically requires professional intervention to re-level and properly support the base.  |
| Scratches on acrylic surface   | Use of abrasive cleaners or tools.                     | Minor scratches may be buffed out with a specialized acrylic repair kit. Prevent future scratches by using only soft cloths and non-abrasive cleaners.      |

## 8. SPECIFICATIONS

| Feature                        | Detail                                     |
|--------------------------------|--|
| Model Number                   | DL-6190C-01                                |
| Kit Dimensions (D x W x H)     | 32 in. x 60 in. x 76 3/4 in.               |
| Shower Base Dimensions (W x D) | 60 in. x 32 in.                            |
| Drain Location                 | Center                                     |
| Color                          | White                                      |
| Material                       | Acrylic capped ABS, Acrylic, Glass Shelves |

| Feature             | Detail                                |
|---------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Installation Method | Alcove                                |
| Certification       | cUPC certified (Base), ANSI Certified |
| Item Weight         | 111.6 pounds                          |

## 9. WARRANTY INFORMATION

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DreamLine provides the following limited manufacturer warranties for this product:

- **Shower Base:** Limited lifetime manufacturer warranty.
- **Shower Backwalls:** Limited 1 (one) year manufacturer warranty.

Please retain your proof of purchase for warranty claims. For full warranty terms and conditions, refer to the official DreamLine website or contact customer support.

## 10. CUSTOMER SUPPORT

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If you have any questions, require assistance with installation, or need to report a missing/damaged part, please contact DreamLine customer support.

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