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Model: K-97100-4-CP | Brand: Kohler

1. PRODUCT OVERVIEW

The KOHLER Taut widespread faucet, model K-97100-4-CP, is designed for bathroom sink installations, offering a minimalist aesthetic suitable for transitional or contemporary environments. This faucet features a 1.2 gallons per minute (gpm) flow rate and is finished in Polished Chrome. It is equipped with UltraGlide valves for easy installation and leak-free performance.



Figure 1.1: Kohler Taut Widespread Bathroom Sink Faucet (Polished Chrome)

The faucet's design emphasizes clean lines and robust construction, ensuring both visual appeal and reliable functionality. It is part of the Taut collection, designed to coordinate with other KOHLER showering components.

2. PACKAGE CONTENTS

Before beginning installation, verify that all components are present in the package. The standard package for the Kohler Taut K-97100-4-CP faucet typically includes the following:

- Fully assembled faucet spout
- Two lever handles
- Pop-up drain assembly with lift rod
- Preassembled supply lines
- Mounting hardware and gaskets
- Installation instructions

Performance Tested to 2x Industry Standard



Figure 2.1: What's in the Box - Faucet, Pop-Up Drain and Lift Rod, Supply Lines

3. SETUP AND INSTALLATION

The Kohler Taut faucet is designed for straightforward installation, often preassembled to simplify the process. It is a widespread faucet, requiring three holes for mounting: one for the spout and one for each handle. Ensure your sink or countertop has the appropriate 8-inch spacing for a widespread installation.

3.1 Tools and Materials Required (Not Included)

- Adjustable wrench
- Plumber's putty or silicone sealant
- Phillips screwdriver
- Basin wrench (optional, for tight spaces)
- Safety glasses

3.2 Installation Steps

1. **Prepare the Mounting Surface:** Ensure the sink or countertop surface is clean and dry.
2. **Install Faucet Handles:** Insert the handle assemblies into the outer holes. Secure them from underneath the counter using the provided washers and nuts.
3. **Install Faucet Spout:** Place the spout assembly into the center hole. Apply plumber's putty or silicone sealant around the base of the spout if recommended by local codes or the specific installation guide. Secure the spout from underneath with its washer and nut.
4. **Connect Supply Lines:** Attach the preassembled supply lines from the faucet to your hot and cold water supply valves. Hand-tighten first, then use an adjustable wrench for a final quarter-turn. Do not overtighten.
5. **Install Drain Assembly:** Follow the specific instructions for installing the pop-up drain. Ensure a watertight seal with plumber's putty or silicone sealant around the drain flange. Connect the lift rod to the drain mechanism.
6. **Test for Leaks:** Turn on the water supply and check all connections for leaks. Operate the faucet handles and drain stopper to ensure proper function.



Figure 3.1: Faucet Dimensions for Installation Planning

4. OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

The Kohler Taut widespread faucet is designed for intuitive operation with its lever handles and integrated pop-up drain.

4.1 Water Flow and Temperature Control

- **Turning On/Off:** Rotate the left handle counter-clockwise for hot water and the right handle counter-clockwise for cold water. Rotate clockwise to turn off.
- **Adjusting Flow:** The further the handle is rotated, the greater the water flow.
- **Adjusting Temperature:** Mix hot and cold water by adjusting both handles simultaneously to achieve the desired temperature.



Figure 4.1: Faucet in Operation, showing water flow

4.2 Drain Stopper Operation

The faucet includes a pop-up drain with a lift rod located behind the spout. To operate the drain:

- **Close Drain:** Push the lift rod down to close the drain and fill the sink.
- **Open Drain:** Pull the lift rod up to open the drain and allow water to flow out.

5. MAINTENANCE AND CARE

Proper care and maintenance will ensure the longevity and appearance of your Kohler Taut faucet.

5.1 Cleaning Instructions

- Clean the faucet regularly with a soft, damp cloth and a mild soap.
- Rinse thoroughly with water after cleaning.
- Dry the faucet with a soft cloth to prevent water spots.

5.2 Avoid Harsh Cleaners

Do not use abrasive cleaners, harsh chemicals, or scouring pads, as these can damage the Polished Chrome finish. Products containing ammonia, bleach, or alcohol should also be avoided.



Figure 5.1: Vibrant Finishes with ScratchShield Technology for durability

5.3 Valve Maintenance

The faucet is equipped with UltraGlide valves designed for leak-free performance. In case of reduced flow or persistent drips, the valve cartridges may need inspection or replacement. Consult a qualified plumber or Kohler customer service for assistance.



Figure 5.2: UltraGlide Valve, designed to prevent leaks

6. TROUBLESHOOTING

This section addresses common issues you might encounter with your Kohler Taut faucet.

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
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Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Low Water Flow	Clogged aerator; partially closed supply valve; debris in supply lines.	Remove and clean the aerator. Ensure supply valves are fully open. Flush supply lines.
Leaking from Spout	Worn valve cartridge; debris in cartridge.	Replace valve cartridge. Clean debris from cartridge.
Leaking at Base of Faucet	Loose mounting nuts; worn gaskets.	Tighten mounting nuts. Replace gaskets.
Stiff Handles	Mineral buildup in cartridge; worn cartridge.	Clean or replace valve cartridges.
Drain Stopper Not Sealing	Improperly adjusted lift rod; debris in drain.	Adjust lift rod connection. Clear drain of debris.

If you are unable to resolve an issue using the troubleshooting steps above, it is recommended to contact Kohler customer service or a qualified plumbing professional.

7. SPECIFICATIONS

Detailed specifications for the Kohler Taut K-97100-4-CP Widespread Bathroom Sink Faucet:

Feature	Detail
Brand	Kohler
Model Name	Taut
Model Number	K-97100-4-CP
Finish Type	Polished Chrome
Material	Metal (Handle Material: Ceramic)
Mounting Type	Deck Mounted, Widespread
Number of Handles	2 (Lever Handles)
Hole Count	3
Flow Rate	1.2 Gallons Per Minute
Valve Type	Cartridge Valve (UltraGlide)
Spout Height	4 Inches
Item Weight	6 Pounds
UPC	885612710277
Special Feature	Easy to Install

8. WARRANTY INFORMATION

The Kohler Taut K-97100-4-CP Widespread Bathroom Sink Faucet is covered by the **KOHLER Faucet Lifetime Limited**

Warranty. This warranty typically covers defects in material and workmanship for as long as the original consumer/purchaser owns their home. For complete details regarding terms, conditions, and limitations of the warranty, please refer to the official Kohler website or contact Kohler customer service directly.



Figure 8.1: Kohler Lifetime Limited Warranty

9. CUSTOMER SUPPORT

For further assistance, technical support, or warranty claims, please contact Kohler customer service through their official website or the contact information provided in your product packaging. When contacting support, please have your model number (K-97100-4-CP) and purchase date available.

You can visit the official Kohler website for additional resources, FAQs, and product registration www.kohler.com

