# **ARDEX TLT<sup>™</sup> Linear Drain** Foam Pan Installation Guide

## STEP 1:

Clean and level substrate (follow all ANSI 108.01 guidelines for substrate prep)

You must begin with a dry and structurally sound subfloor. If water damage, rotting, or any other structural defects are present, you MUST repair it prior to installing your new **ARDEX TLT™ Shower Base**. A clean and level subfloor is required for a successful installation. After cleaning the subfloor, use a level to check the subfloor. The subfloor MUST be level so that the **ARDEX TLT™ Shower Base** will drain correctly.

**NOTE:** an ARDEX Flowable Hydraulic Cement Underlayment can be used to level the subfloor: ARDEX LIQUID BACKERBOARD<sup>®</sup> or ARDEX TL 2000<sup>™</sup> over wood / ARDEX TL 1000<sup>™</sup> or ARDEX TL 1400<sup>™</sup> over concrete.





#### STEP 2:

Cut the drain pipe 7/8" to 1" below subfloor by using an internal PVC pipe cutter drill bit.



#### STEP 3:

Cut 5" hole centered on drain pipe. The **hub adapter** must sit 1/16" below substrate surface. Ensure the drain pipe is properly secure.



#### STEP 4:

Follow steps A-C for DRAIN ASSEMBLY

- (A) Insert threaded drain tube down through hole in trough.
- (B) Place the down tube with rubber gasket under the trough and screw on to the **threaded drain tube**. Use **red down tube installation tightening tool** to tighten from the top.
- (C) Leave red tightening tool in place until ready for tile.



#### STEP 5:

Dry fit pan and drain fitting to ensure proper fit to framing and walls as well as ensure the drain is centered.



# STEP 6:

Mix an ARDEX modified mortar suitable for the subfloor as per manufacturer specification. To assure full coverage, use a 1/4" square notched trowel and apply mortar to the floor and flat trowel the backside of the **ARDEX TLT™ Shower Base**. Assure the mortar is combed in the same direction on the floor. Set the **ARDEX TLT™ Shower Base** into place (ensuring level perimeter on 4-sided slope pan or level back and drain side on a single slope pan).



## STEP 7:

Follow steps A-D for INSTALLING DRAIN GRATE on linear drain for mud installation instructions (link below)

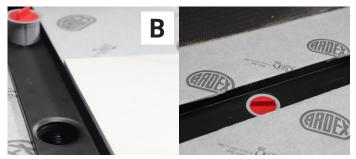
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- (A) Using the red tightening tool, loosen and back out (remove) the threaded down tube. Place the appropriate self-adhesive adjustment spacers into the trough. Dry fit the grate cradle and adjust spacers or combination of spacers to set the appropriate height according to the tile thickness.
- (B) Once height and **spacers** are set, screw the **threaded drain tube** through the **grate cradle** and **trough** and tighten down firmly.
- (C) Remove red tightening tool and install strainer.
- (D) Install drain grate using the appropriate drain grate supporting clips.



Threaded Down Tube

Spacers



Grate Cradle and Trough



Strainer



Drain Grate Supporting Clips

# ARDEX TLT™ Linear Drain Foam Pan Parts List

| Part Name                                       | Drain Kit for Foam Pan |
|---|------------------------|
| Tileable Drain Grate Supporting Clips           | X                      |
| Square Punch Drain Grate Supporting Clips       | X                      |
| Self-Adhesive Height Adjustment Spacers         | X                      |
| Strainer Removal Tool                           | X                      |
| Strainer  | X                      |
| Threaded Down Tube (Black)                      | X                      |
| Rubber Gasket                                   | X                      |
| Down tube Installation Tightening Tool          | X                      |
| Threaded Drain Tube (Gray)                      | X                      |
| Stainless Steel Grate Cradle                    | X                      |
| Tileable Stainless Steel Linear Drain Grate     | X                      |
| Square Punch Stainless Steel Linear Drain Grate | X                      |