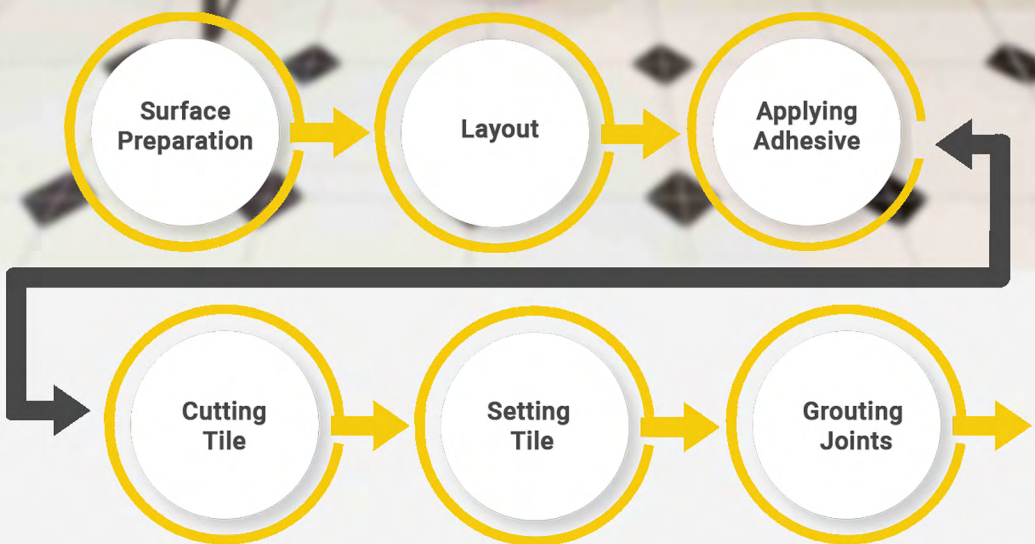


GLASS TILE INSTALLATION GUIDE

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Surface Preparation



01

Make sure the surface is **clean, dry, and smooth** to avoid imperfections showing through the transparent or translucent glass tiles.

02

Repair any damaged or uneven areas, and remove any moldings, trim, and appliances that could obstruct installation.

03

Trim door jambs if needed to allow the tiles to fit smoothly underneath.

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Layout



01

Find the wall's center and mark a vertical line with a level. Lay out a row of loose tiles from this line to check spacing.

02

If cuts are smaller than half a tile, adjust the center line slightly to one side for a cleaner look.

03

Determine the lowest point of the floor or tub; from there, stack two tiles and draw a horizontal line at the top. This line serves as a guide for placing the first row.

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Applying Adhesive



01

Use **white, latex-modified thin-set mortar** or a specially formulated adhesive for glass tiles to prevent discoloration from showing through.

02

Follow all package instructions, mixing only what you'll use in 30 minutes.

03

Apply a 1/4" layer of adhesive in one grid area with the specified trowel, using the flat side for even coverage.

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Cutting Tile



01

Use a **wet saw with a diamond blade** for cutting glass tiles.

02

For straight cuts, use a tile cutter; for curves, use a nipper or rod saw, smoothing edges with a carborundum stone.

03

Leave a 2-inch gap for expansion, which is important for grout joints.

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Setting Tile



01

Start tiling from the center of the room, finishing each grid section before moving on.

02

Place tiles with a gentle twist, ensuring even spacing with tile spacers.

03

Install perimeter tiles last, leaving a 1/4" gap around the room's edges.

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Grouting Joints



01

Use **non-sanded grout** to prevent scratching the glass surface; wait 24 hours after setting tiles before grouting.

02

Mix small batches of grout and spread it with a rubber float, pressing into gaps.

03

Clean the surface with a damp sponge after 15–20 minutes, and polish with a soft cloth once a haze appears.

04

Allow 72 hours before heavy use and avoid sealers or polishes for three weeks.

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