

DIY Cleaning – A Perfectly Cleaned Shower & Tub

HOW TO GET YOUR TUB & SHOWER SUPER WHITE



To Purchase

- Crocks
- One painters mask (with a charcoal filter)
- Plastic kitchen gloves
- A gallon pitcher
- One small old bath mat
- Two small old hand towels
- Paper towels
- A shower squeegee
- Zep "Tub & Shower Cleaner" (Home Depot)
- One white erase marker (Home Depot)
- One can of Sprayway "World's Best Glass Cleaner" (Kroegers True Value)
- Gel Gloss (Kroegers True Value)



To Do

For starters, pull all the shampoos, razors, body wash... out and place in a plastic bag or in an empty trash bucket (outside the shower).

In treating the tub, you might want to put on some crocks and place an old towel on the floor outside the tub to keep the cleaner from being tracked onto the floor or rugs -- that is if you need to get inside the tub/shower to reach certain areas.

What I've learned: Using the mask -- squeeze the metal area tight around your nose to keep the fumes from entering around the edges of the mask.

#1) Take the "Zep" and pour it into a small plastic bucket about 2" deep dipping one of the small hand towels (using gloves of course) into the cleaner. Note: This method is best because if the cleaner is sprayed it leaves streaks of white.

Take that saturated hand towel and suds the entire area primarily concentrating on the heavily stained areas. Spread out or lie the saturated towel out... flattening on the bed or bottom of the tub. Let this set for 20 minutes. You may choose to treat the toilet and sink areas while waiting...

#2) return to the tub/shower and check the results. Decide if you need to repeat the step above (with the towel). Do this until you feel the tub/shower is as white as desired. Remember this process may take several applications to get it completely white, depending on the extent of the hard water & soap buildup.

#3) for the cleaning, the last step is to saturate your Mr. Clean "White Erase" marker with Zep and to scrub the area methodically in a circular motion from top to bottom.

#4) Now to rinse... for Showers -- **ROLL UP YOUR PANTS!** Take a pitcher with a nice spout and fill with water. Starting at the top of the shower wall pour the rinse water slowly along the top working your way around and down to lower areas rinsing the handles and spout along the way. Repeat as needed.

#5) Drying the shower. Showers -- take the squeegee and starting at the top of the shower, squeegee most of the water to the bottom. You may want to give it a few minutes to drain while working on the sink and toilet.

Ready to dry? Using one of the small hand towels, start at the top and work your way down drying all walls and then the tub area.

#6) Take the Sprayway glass cleaner and spray the spout and handles (all metal fixtures) and wipe down to a shine with a paper towel.

Sounds like a lot of steps but aren't you proud of how beautiful it looks? :)

HOW TO MAINTAIN THE BEAUTY IN A TUB AND SHOWER

Follow instructions above routinely (once a week or bi-weekly) depending on how often the tub/shower is being used. Then apply as directed a coat of Gel Gloss. This is done after the tub has been dried. Gel gloss can be found in many hardware stores. I found it at Kroegers, True Value here in Durango.

http://www.amazon.com/s/ref=nb_sb_noss_1?url=search-alias%3Daps&field-keywords=gel+gloss

Note: if fixtures have hard water deposit etched the only way to remove some of it is with CLR after the rinse and then you will need to rinse the fixtures again.

Hope this helps!

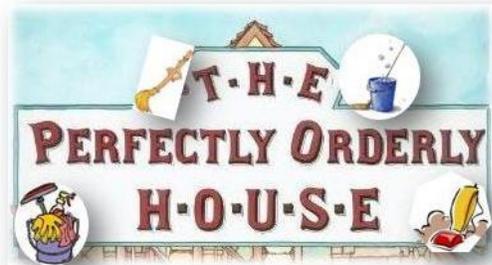
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