The Top 10 List Of Problems Created By Do It Yourselfers During Bathroom Remodels



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- Trying to incorporate a standard window into a shower enclosure creating moisture in the wall below.
- Solution: Glass Block unit that can be sealed to the tile.
- 2. Not covering seats and curbs with a shower liner creating mold problems with water leaking beneath the liner.
- Solution: The shower liner must be continuous to cover all horizontal aspects of the shower.
- 3. Installing a shower door so that the pivot jamb and not the strike jamb is on the same wall as the shower head creating leaks.
- Solution: Reverse the door mounting.
- 4. Placing glossy finished tiles on the shower floor creating a trip hazard when wet.
- Solution: use a matte finished tile or one with texture.
- 5. Using a sanded grout in tile joints that are 1/8" or less creating grout loss and water leaking into the backer board and maybe underneath the liner.
- Solution: Use unsanded grout in the smaller joints and caulk all inside corners for future movement.
- 6. Using any type (engineered or solid stock) of wood floors in wet areas
- Solution: Use any type of natural stone or ceramic floor tile.
- 7. Not using an adequately sized exhaust fan that will take care of the steam caused by a shower and only being concerned with the toilet.
- Solution: Add an additional exhaust fan of the proper size above the side of the shower.
- 8. Placing light switches or non GFI outlets too close to a tub or shower giving access while standing in water.
- Solution: Move them and put everything in the bathroom on arc fault breakers.
- 9. Providing improper task lighting where needed for makeup or hair and being too involved in making things look cool and eclectic
- Solution: Make any halogen or other special lighting an accent and light the bath in several ways.
- 10. Using a standard 30" tall vanity cabinet when you are 5'-10" or more in height
- Solution: Use a 36" tall kitchen base cabinet for comfort or have one custom made.