# ThermaSol™ 18" Wide Bamboo Shower Seat

Installation Instructions: SEAT-S-GR



Thank you for purchasing the ThermaSol™ Shower Seat. We are confident that you will find the unique design and durable construction of this product to be of great assistance in your daily routine.

To fully enjoy your ThermaSol™ Shower Seat, please take a few moments to read these instructions. You should store these instructions in a safe place for future reference.



## SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS

CAUTION: It is your responsibility to see that your ThermaSol™ Shower Seat is properly assembled, installed, and cared for. Failure to follow instructions in this manual could result in serious injury. Some surfaces can be slippery when wet - use this product with caution.

THERMASOL™ SHOWER SEAT INSTALLATION / MAINTENANCE The ThermaSol™ Shower Seat should only be installed in areas where the mounting surface is structurally sound. Strengthening modifications may be required (see page 3 for details). ThermaSol™ Shower Seat should not be installed in fiberglass / acrylic shower enclosures with insufficient stiffness and strength. Should not be installed into metal studs. If you are not equipped to undertake the outlined work we recommend that you have your ThermaSol™ Shower Seat installed by a qualified contractor. Seat should only be used for sitting upon - not to be used for other purposes. Do not install seat in locations where seated user and seat are close to direct steam or hot water emissions. Suggested maximum user weight 500lbs/227kg, however this rating is conditional upon suitable fasteners and supporting surface. One person maximum capacity. WOOD CONTACT SENSITIVITY some people may experience a skin rash or other reaction due to contact with certain types of wood. If unsure, test first. CLEANING & MAINTENANCE - Clean seat with water, and then wipe dry using a soft cloth. Do not use abrasive cleaning products.

#### WARRANTY

This shower seat is covered by a one year limited warranty with the exception of hand grips which are subject to normal wear. Buyer hereby indemnifies, agrees to hold harmless and defend the manufacturer/distributor of the ThermaSol™ shower seat from and against any and all liabilities, claims, (founded and unfounded), losses, damages, costs and expenses (including without limitation consequential damages and reasonableprofessionalfees) resultingfrom buyers specification, application, or improper use of goods described hereon; buyers omission or neglect.

The manufacturer/ distributor of the ThermaSol™ shower seat does not assume any liability for damage resulting from services performed by others or faulty installation, misuse or misapplication of goods.

The manufacturer/ distributor of the ThermaSol™ shower seat shall not be liable for prospective profits or special, indirect, or consequential damages, or for the cost of any corrective work done without prior approval. Manufacturer/ distributor of the ThermaSol™ shower seat total liability hereunder shall in no event exceed the purchase price of the goods specified hereon.

#### TOOLS REQUIRED

 $\bullet$  Level  $\bullet$  Personal Protective Eyewear  $\bullet$  Center Punch  $\bullet$  Hammer  $\bullet$  Carbide tip drill suitable for tile  $\bullet$  Stud Finder  $\bullet$  Protective blanket

#### **CLEANING AND MAINTENANCE**

The back panels of the ThermaSol™ Shower Seat are removable to allow for cleaning of the wall behind the seat. Clean seat with water, and then wipe dry using a soft cloth. Do not use abrasive cleaning products.

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# WOOD PANEL WARNING

In order to retain the natural beauty of the Bamboo, each slat is finished with an extremely durable 2-part oil

finish that does not contain volatile organic compounds (VOCs) or other harmful chemicals.

A light brown or red discoloration may be noticed in water exposed to the wood, and is due to an excess of pigments (natural oils) in the wood reacting with minerals present in certain types of water (well water, hard water, etc.). This discoloration is a natural reaction often referred to as leaching and should fade over time. The applied oil finish also reduces the effects of leaching. If unsure, test wood in local water prior to installation.

## TIPS FOR DRILLING INTO TILE

- Use carbide tipped masonary drill on ceramic, or consider a diamond tip drill for porcelain tile.
- If possible, drill a smaller pilot hole first.
- Be careful to prevent the drill from moving when you first start it rotating use duct tape or a wood guide on the surface of the tile to hold the drill from walking sideways.
- A variable speed drill on slow is best to start the hole. Do not apply too much pressure when drilling. Do not use a hammer drill.
- The screws listed as #10 typically use a hole diameter of 1/8" (3mm) into the support structure (wood studs, blocking, etc.). The clearance hole through tile, etc. would be a minimum of 13/64" (5mm).

#### MOUNTING LOCATION

We strongly recommend that you give some thought as to the optimal location of your ThermaSol™ Shower Seat before installation. The following suggestions are offered for your consideration, however, it is recommended to consider advice from the appropriate healthcare professional for locating of any support product. Also, consider the following when determining the optimal mounting location:

- 1. Move mounting location to match structure behind the wall.
- 2. Avoid electrical / plumbing behind the wall.
- 3. Where possible, drill through tile not through grout.

The ThermaSol™ Shower Seat is to be mounted on surfaces perpendicular to each other (i.e. in a Shower). If the holes on the bracket do not align with the wood studs, we recommend strengthening modifications to be done (see Page 3 for recommendations). When determining the seat height, consider the height of the user and their capabilities (NOTE: ADA guideline specifies seat height of 17-19" above the finished floor).



