

# Instructions for Use

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This manual contains important information for the installer and for the client.

Please read carefully before installing and using your shower cubicle!

Dear client,

Thank you for choosing a duka shower cubicle. You have purchased a quality product. All of our products are manufactured to the highest of quality criteria and undergo rigorous testing.

In order to ensure that you get many years of pleasure from your duka shower cubicle, please read this manual carefully. The manual also provides information on correct shower installation, and should be given to the installer during the installation stage.

Please read the 'Safety Recommendations' sections carefully.

For future reference and for warranty purposes, please retain this manual and all other information regarding your shower cubicle.

## A Introduction

This manual covers all duka shower cubicles manufactured from 17.06.2016 onwards and supersedes all previous versions.

This manual applies exclusively to shower cubicles manufactured and supplied by duka AG. Please observe the information in the warranty certificate provided with your shower cubicle.

duka shower cubicles feature a QR code. For more information, please consult "QR Code" at [www.duka.it](http://www.duka.it).

duka shower cubicles have been manufactured and tested in accordance with European Standard EN 14428. The CE label is displayed on your warranty certificate and on the packaging of your shower cubicle.

duka shower cubicles have been manufactured to provide protection from water spray in indoor and sanitary areas. No other uses are covered by the warranty.

## B Safety recommendations when using your shower cubicle

Please follow this safety information at all times in order to minimise risk of glass breakage and risk of injury.

Please ensure that the clearance space inside and outside of your shower doors is free of all obstructions, fixed or otherwise (i.e. bathroom furniture, ceramics, stools or sinks), at all times.

Please ensure that no obstructions are positioned near the doors inside your shower cubicle (spray heads, soap dishes, taps etc.).

The edges of the glass panelling are sensitive to impact. Be careful not to hit or knock them! Damaged panelling must be replaced immediately as it is at risk of spontaneous breakage.

Slipping is a risk before, during and after your shower, both inside and outside of your shower cubicle.

Select water temperature carefully to avoid the risk of scalding.

Electrical equipment should not be taken into the shower cubicle.

Take care not to trap any part of your body, e.g. fingers or toes, on opening and closing your shower door.

Do not allow children, ill persons or disabled persons to shower unattended.

People with pacemakers should keep a minimum distance of 10cm from the magnets on the shower doors at all times, as these magnets could affect the pacemaker.

## C Safety recommendations when installing your shower cubicle

Please follow this safety information at all times in order to minimise risk of glass breakage and risk of injury.

Please follow the installation procedure provided together with your shower cubicle. Installation should only be carried out by a qualified expert. Failure to follow these instructions will void your warranty!

The installation kit provided with your shower cubicle is for installation on solid walls and ceilings, i.e. concrete or brick. For all other kinds of walls, the appropriate mounting materials must be used.

**Attention:** check the load-bearing capacity of walls and ceilings and the position of light, gas and water pipes and cables. In order to avoid damage or leakages, do not perforate or drill cables or pipes during installation. We recommend that installation be carried out by two people.

Before installation, check that the cubicle has not been damaged during transportation. We decline all responsibility for damage to products which have just been installed. Failure to follow these instructions will void your warranty.

In order to ensure consumer safety, glass shower cubicles must be manufactured with tempered ESG safety glass, in accordance with EN 14428. ESG glass guarantees higher resistance than standard glass and, in case of breakage, will crumble into granules, posing a lower risk of injury than that of standard glass, which breaks into splinters.

Before installation, please ensure that glass panels are not damaged. Damaged panels should not be installed, as they are at risk of spontaneous breakage. The corners of the panels are delicate and must be protected. Do not knock or strike corners!

All panels should be handled with care and should not be laid down abruptly or leaned on their corners during installation. Ensure that sufficient protection is laid down on flooring during installation, i.e. shower packaging material or similar.

To avoid damage, all surfaces should be protected from sharp or pointed objects.

Please ensure that the clearance space of the door, both inside and out, will not be blocked by any object, moveable or immovable, for example, bathroom furniture, ceramics, stools etc. Likewise, ensure that no objects are positioned near the doors inside your shower cubicle (spray heads, soap dishes, taps etc.).

Installation must follow the steps illustrated in the installation instructions supplied with your shower. Please follow the instructions in the manual regarding installation to the right or left hand side or for reversible installation. Shower cubicles which have been designed to open in one direction only (right or left) should be installed accordingly.

In case of doubt or enquiry, please contact your supplier.

In order to seal your shower cubicle, please refer to the installation manual.

To avoid leakage, analyze the material and nature of your wall, flooring, and shower base carefully and adjust sealing accordingly.

Use the type of sealant which is appropriate to your requirements. Different materials require different sealants. If the area permits, use antibacterial, anti-fungal silicone sealant for your shower cubicle.

Follow the safety guidelines provided with your sealant!

## D Disposal of packaging materials

duka takes environmental responsibility seriously. We use INTERSEROH and RESY packaging material. Do your bit for the environment: Dispose of packaging materials separately and use your recycling facilities.

## E Maintenance, care, replacement parts, cleaning

Please understand that it is not possible for us to be aware of every type of cleaning method. If you have any specific questions, please ask your supplier and the producer of the cleaning materials you use. They will be able to provide you with expert advice.

Hinges, runners and other moveable parts of the shower cubicle should be checked after cleaning and re-grease if necessary. Use only acid-free grease. We recommend silicone grease or household Vaseline.

To ensure continued perfect functioning, damaged panels must be replaced. An exploded view in the installation instructions will provide you with an overview of replacement parts. Details for supply of replacement parts can be found in your warranty card.

### E.1 Basics

Modern shower cubicles consist of a number of materials:

Brilliant safety glass or high quality acrylic panels, precious metals like aluminum, stainless steel, engineering plastics, chrome fittings, ball-rollers and much more. For all of these materials, it is important to use cleaning materials which are as non-aggressive as possible. Abrasive products, cloths and sponges should not be used. As with a car, the parts and the surface of your shower cubicle should be protected from damage. If this care is taken, your shower cubicle will give you years of reliable use, retaining the beauty and functionality of the day you bought it.

### E.2 Regular cleaning

Please clean your shower cubicle regularly, depending on frequency of usage, type of water and degree of grime. Do not allow lime scale to build up in your shower cubicle. Limescale is also present in soft water, and once formed it can become impossible to remove.

We recommend regular cleaning of your shower cubicle with our specialized product Pronett, available from dealerships. Alternatively, you can use commercially-available products designed specifically for cleaning showers.

Please check that your cleaning products are not excessively acid or alkaline in nature. Avoid the use of abrasive, oxidative or chlorinated cleaning agents.

Do not allow cleaning agents to soak or dry into metal surfaces (frame or hinge), plastic or washers. It could cause permanent staining and ruin the surface area. Always rinse the cubicle well and dry off in order to remove traces of limescale.

### E.3. Glass shower cubicles with or without ProCare or PROTECT surface treatment (This section does not apply to shower cubicles with acrylic panels)

Real glass treated with ProCare or PROTECT makes cleaning a lot easier. Both treatments protect your glass and allow water to run off the glass more easily. As the water remains on the surface for less time, there is less build-up of limescale. Treated glass, however, must still be cleaned regularly depending on frequency of use, type of water and degree of grime (see *E.2 Regular cleaning*).

Do not use – for any kind of glass - aggressive cleaning agents or abrasive cloths or sponges, as they could scratch the glass and, in the case of ProCare or PROTECT treated glass, destroy and inactivate the coating.

In the case of persistent stains on glass, try removing them with vinegar and rinsing well.

For glass without surface treatment and glass with ProCare, use commercially available anti-limescale cleaning products (ATTENTION: Do not use for glass with PROTECT treatment). Likewise, in this case, remove all traces of dirt first, and then rinse well. Then follow cleaning instructions as per E.2.

Always ensure that vinegar-based cleaning products and anti-limescale products do not come into contact with other surfaces or parts of the shower cubicle, as they could damage them irreversibly and cause surface staining.

### E.4 Shower cubicles with acrylic paneling

Do not use abrasive cleaning agents, sponges or clothes, as they could scratch the acrylic paneling.

Acrylic panelling should not be cleaned with vinegar-based, anti-lime scale or other aggressive products as they could cause surface smearing or clouding. Other chemical products such as, for example, nail-varnish remover, may corrode the acrylic panels. Please make sure that these products do not come into contact with the shower cubicle.

For further information, please refer to E.2.

### E.5 After showering

To prevent the formation of limescale, remove excess water from shower panels with a rubber window wiper and dry the remaining droplets of water after every shower. Air regularly and well in to prevent mould.

## **F Product documentation, dismantling and disposal**

Please retain this information, installation information and your warranty card. These documents contain important information on installation, use, cleaning, spare parts and guarantee.

To dismantle your shower cubicle, follow the installation instructions in reverse.

duka take environmental responsibility seriously. We use high-quality recyclable materials to produce our shower cubicles. Do your part for eco-friendly recycling and dispose of this product at a certified recycling site at the end of its product life.