

## **OUTDOOR SHOWER - WINTER USE AND MAINTENANCE**

In order to prevent any possible freeze damage to your outdoor shower through exposure to cold winter weather conditions, we advice reading over and following these steps when applicable.

## WINTER CARE

Freezing temperatures can cause potential freeze damage to water pipes and certain accessories (such as a shower head or garden hose attachement).

Below we have included a few precautionary measures that we advice considering taking if your shower is kept outdoors in freezing temperatures.

## DAMAGE PREVENTION

1. We advise checking that all water is drained from the shower prior to and then throughout the cold winter months in order to prevent possible damage to the shower due to frozen water in the system.

We fit all of our exterior showers with drainage valves. These are located at the base of the shower, and allow any excess water that may be still in the system to be drained.

2. To drain excess water, please first ensure water flow is turned off. Next, open the drainage valve (See **Fig 1** – overleaf) and taps / faucets. These can be opened by hand, or alternatively using an adjustable spanner. After draining, ensure to close drainage valve and taps / faucets.

3. In extremely cold weather, it is advisable to remove the shower head and any attachable accessories, such as an additional flexible hose attachment (See **Fig 2** – overleaf). These can then be stored inside to prevent possible damage.

### Please remove these by hand, being careful to not over-tighten when re-attaching.

# If any parts are detached, please ensure to cover these (with plumbing tape or fabric / old clothes) to prevent water, dust or debris from entering the pipes.

If you suspect that any parts or components have been damaged due to freezing, we advise contacting a professional for guidance. Alternatively, please do not hessitate to contact use for any guidance.

If you require any assistance with your outdoor shower, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Kindest regards,

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