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WHY TILE SHOWERS LEAK

Five potential failure points every homeowner should understand.

Tile and grout are not the waterproofing system. A reliable shower depends on properly integrated waterproofing, drainage, and transitions. A leak can damage concealed materials even when the tile looks intact.

1	**Shower Pan and Waterproofing** Poor membrane installation, damaged liners, or defective connections can allow water to escape beneath the shower.
2	**Drain Assembly** The waterproofing must connect correctly to the drain. A failed connection can let water reach the surrounding structure.
3	**Shower Walls** Tile and grout alone cannot waterproof wall cavities. Missing or incorrectly installed waterproofing can cause hidden damage.
4	**Floor Slope and Drainage** Improper slope may cause water to collect, increasing prolonged moisture exposure and indicating construction deficiencies.
5	**Corners, Curbs and Penetrations** Niches, benches, curbs, corners, and plumbing penetrations require continuous, correctly detailed waterproofing.

BEFORE PAYING FOR SHOWER REPAIRS

Ask whether the source of leakage has been identified, concealed damage evaluated, and the proposed work will restore a reliable waterproofing assembly. Regrouting or caulking may not correct a failed system.

Concerned about a leaking shower?

Scan to request a shower leak assessment and reconstruction consultation.

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