

Tile and stone pre-cover inspection checklist

A tile and stone pre-cover inspection is the hold point before concealed work disappears behind the next layer. This checklist is built for that walk: verify, photograph, then release the cover, not the other way around. Work is commonly verified against ANSI A108 / A118, TCNA guidance. Confirm the edition your authority having jurisdiction has adopted.

Who runs it: The GC's superintendent with the tile foreman at each wet area, since the membrane and its test disappear permanently under the tile. When: After waterproofing is applied and slope is formed, before any tile is set over it — the flood test only counts if it is held before the assembly is covered.

Waterproofing continuity

- ☐ Membrane continuous, up walls and sealed at penetrations
- Continuous coverage with laps and corners detailed per the manufacturer, turned up the wall to the required height, sealed to the drain flange and around pipe and fixture penetrations.
- 3 photos required

Slope and drainage

- ☐ Slope to drain formed before the finish setting bed
- Positive fall to the drain checked with a level across the floor, no flat areas or reverse pitch, pre-slope present under bonded pans.
- 2 photos required

Flood test

- ☐ Flood test filled, held and observed before tile is set
- Water dammed at the drain and held for the specified duration, level marked at the start, ceiling and connections below checked dry at the end.
- 3 photos required
- ☐ Movement joint locations marked per the layout
- Soft-joint locations marked at perimeters, changes of plane and over any existing joints in the substrate, so setters leave them open instead of grouting through.
- 1 photo required