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Four Different Kinds of Shower Baths Are Available for Homes

If you are building a new house and wish to have a shower over the bathtub, you may choose between four different kinds of shower bath fixtures.

Least expensive is the bath and shower combination with the same hot and cold supply lines serving both the tub and the shower. By means of a transfer valve, the water may be transferred from the tub to the shower or vice versa. The transfer valve is a popular fixture with many people because it enables the bather to test the water with his toe at the spout of the tub before he transfers the water to the shower head.

All other types of showers operate independently of the tub supply. One type is known as the tub-valve shower. It has one valve for hot water and another valve for cold water. The temperature of the water is regulated by the turning of the two valves.

Another type of shower is the one with a mixing valve. This is a popular shower installation because it is necessary to move only one lever in order to get water at any desired temperature. The mixing chamber of this valve which is concealed in the wall makes a perfect tempering of the water possible. The mixing valve is a simple, trouble-proof piece of mechanism which obviously greatly economizes the time of the bather because it makes perfect tempering of the water possible by a turn of the lever.

Still another type of shower combination is equipped with a thermostatic mixing valve which protects the bather against fluctuations in water temperature. It can be set at any temperature which, in the opinion of the home-owner, should be the maximum temperature. If it is set at 110 degrees, it will not allow water at a higher temperature to enter the shower. A thermostatic control has its greatest value in homes where elderly people, invalids, or children will use the shower.

The shower over the tub may be enclosed with an absolutely water-proof plate glass enclosure. This fixture consists of fixed panels at each end of the tub with a swinging door in center. The clear polished plate glass panels can be changed to alluring art panels of colored tapestry plate glass, recalling old world beauty and refinement.

The plate glass enclosure is used with corner tubs as well as with recessed fixtures.

Ten years ago all shower curtains were white. Plumbing manufacturers then suggested to manufacturers of shower curtains that water-proof materials be made in colors. Today an endless variety of colored fabrics suitable for shower curtains are on the market.

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