



## Tucson Bath Tub Fixture Repair

One of the staple plumbing fixtures in modern homes is the bathtub. There are many variations and designs of bathtubs, the basic idea remains constant. A tub connected to the home's drainage system and a faucet with a spout and/or shower head is the basic equipment. Upon closer look, there are many plumbing parts that work together to make the bathtub work properly. Most homes in Tucson have these components installed, but there's room for improvements. For the bathtubs in Tucson, this article discusses common bath tub fixture repairs and upgrades.

The bath tub itself is usually a very permanent fixture in the home. Unless remodeling many home owners work with the tub installed. The drain is the only plumbing directly connected to the tub. The drain on the tub consists of the tub shoe, which is where the water drains from the tub. The other part is the overflow, which acts as a safety measure against accidental flooding. Many older bath tubs in Tucson have bathtub drain fittings that look worn and dirty. These fittings can be replaced with newer drain/overflow fittings that will look and function better. When the drain/overflow fittings are replaced, the tub gets a new stopper which allows people to fill the tub effortlessly.

The tub/shower faucet is the fixture that delivers the water and facilitates bathing. The faucet directs water to the tub spout and shower head depending on the faucet configuration and user preference. There are older homes in Tucson that have a two or three handle faucets at the tub. Many of these types of faucets have been in service for many years and have problems. One option available to home owners is to install a single handle tub/shower faucet. Many times this can be done without damaging the tile or finished walls. A new single handle tub/shower faucet will be equipped with scald prevention technology (very important if children use the tub) and very easy to operate. These faucets are available in many styles and designer finishes such as brushed nickel and oil rubbed bronze. To make everything match, the bath tub drain fittings can be matched with the designer finish of the new single handle faucet.

Another option for bath tubs are safety grab bars installed for easy access. Many folks in the Tucson area find it challenging to get in and out of their bath tubs. Some home owners find that installing an easy access shower is not in their budget. For a significantly lower price, designer grab bars can be strategically placed to aid in entering and exiting the bathtubs. Many times these grab bars provide the support people need to prevent a fall in the tub. Grab bars are available in many different sizes to accommodate the tub area. Grab bars can also be special ordered in designer finishes to match bath tub faucets.

Bath tubs are a plumbing fixture that gets a lot of use in our homes. Bath tubs commonly get covered by a curtain and people don't give a lot of thought about them after using. This article highlights some of the bathtub components and upgrades available. I am available to discuss your particular bath tub situation in the Tucson area and work with you to find a solution that works best. Call me today for a free phone consultation.

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