HOW TO CLEAN YOUR

SHOWER DRAIN

ATTENTION

A clogged shower drain can cause expensive water damages, both in your apartment and in the apartment below you, if you are living on the 1st floor or higher. We therefore recommend you to clean the drain regularly.

Please follow our step-by-step guide to do the cleaning of the shower drains. Note that there are different types of drains in some apartments. Each type of drain has its own guide.

You will need the following materials:

- Gloves
- Garbage nylon bag
- Screwdriver / specific tool

You can also use 'afløbsrens' for blockages. This can be bought at any supermarket. Pour half a bottle into the drain before you go to bed and leave it overnight. The drain will most often be clear for flow in the morning, rinse with hot water.

Please note, the dorms mentioned below does not have a guide .

Sigynsgade and Øresunds. If you live here and have problems with the shower drain, you need to contact the building inspector. In the case of Sigynsgade, Vermundsgade, Rovsingsgade and Kulbanekollegiet you can contact our inspector Atilla to get help. These dorms has old types of shower drains and cannot be cleaned by the tenants.

You can find the inspectors contact information on our website under each accommodation option.

HOW TO CLEAN THE SHOWER DRAIN (THE ORDINARY) GUIDE STEP BY STEP



- 1. Remove the screws in the corner of the grid.
- 2. Lift the grid up and remove it to reach the water trap.
- 3. Now you can reach the water trap which stays deeper in the drain.
- 4. Pull the water trap bowl out

5. You can see the hair and other builts-up which block the water trap.



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- 6. Place the water trap bowl in a garbage bag. Remove the built-up hairs and put them in the garbage bag (it is not allowed to put the flith in the toilet as it can cause further blockage!)
- 7. Clean the water trap well inside and outside (you can use the shower)
- 8. Place the water trap well in its place and fill it up with water in order to stop the drain smell. Finally place the grid back.



HOW TO CLEAN SHOWER DRAIN (MARIENDALSVEJ) GUIDE STEP BY STEP



- 1. Remove the long grid using a flat screwdriver or handle of a spoon/fork.
- 2. Grab the handle and lift up/remove the water trap (grey plastic insert).
- 3. The water trap is full of hair and soap residues. Clean it well and at the same time clean the rubber seal around the upper edge.
- 4. You need to put all the dirt in a garbage bag (it is not allowed to put the filth in the toilet as it can cause further blockage!). Dispose it as household waste.
- 5. Clean the plastic (grey) area thoroughly and place (push down) the water trap firmly into its place. Apply fluid soap on the rubber seal (red arrow). It helps to glide and it is easier to push the water trap down.
- 7. Use the shower to fill up the water trap with water in order to avoid drain smell. Finally place the grid back.



HOW TO CLEAN SHOWER DRAIN (BISPEBJERG) GUIDE STEP BY STEP



1. Contact the RA (Residence Assistant) and get the tool (hook with handle) from her/him.

- 2. Insert the hook into one of the side holes of the grid and lift it up. Now you can reach the water trap for cleaning it.
- 3. The water trap is placed firmly into the drain to stop any drain smell. Try to pull it up with the handle. If it cannot work, then go to the next step.
- 4. Insert the hook into the hole, move it to the side and lift the water trap up.
- 5. After the water trap has been removed, you can clean the shower drain. Remove all the filth (hair & soap residues) and place them into a garbage bag. Never throw the dirt into the toilet it can cause further blockage!



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- 6. Clean the water trap thoroughly (inside and outside) and wipe the rubber seal around it with paper.
- 7. Clean the shower drain and wipe the round edge with paper.

- 8. Apply some dish- or hand soap to the round edge of the water trap and to the round edge of the shower drain (marked with red arrows in the pictures above). This will help to place the water trap back more easily.
- 9. Place back the water trap and push the round edge firmly down. This way you will avoid the drain smelling. Put the grid back and you are done.

Please note that there always needs to be water in the drain bowl. The water stops the drain for smelling. If the shower drain dries out (after the shower not being used for several weeks), you will need to pour some water in it by using the shower.

HOW TO CLEAN SHOWER DRAIN (REBSLAGERVEJ) GUIDE STEP BY STEP



- 1. The shower drain is located in the corner of the shower area
- 2. Lift and remove the grid of the shower drain to reach the water trap (to remove the grid you can use the handle of a spoon or fork by inserting it in the hole of the grid and prinse it out)
- 3. Grab the handle of the water trap
- 4. Pull out the water trap bowl, empty it for water and place it in a nylon bag. All the accumulated hair and built-up dirt need to be removed and placed in the garbage bag first (DO NOT throw the flith in the drain or toilet as it can cause further blockage!)
- 5. Clean the water thoroughly inside and outside.
- 6. Place the water trap firmly back in its place and fill it up with water in order to stop the drain smell. Finally place the grid back.

