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# VIBE WITH GLASS

## DESIGNER GRAB BARS

For Residential and Commercial Use

# INSTALLATION GUIDELINES



STOP

Read this manual carefully prior to installation.

## IMPORTANT SAFETY WARNINGS

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY PRIOR TO INSTALLING  
THE GRAB BAR SYSTEM

### Definitions

**WARNING** May cause serious injuries or death  
**CAUTION** May cause property damage

For information on LifeValet Installation Guidelines, see:

[www.lifevalet.com](http://www.lifevalet.com)

When installing and using this Grab Bar System, basic safety precautions should always be followed, including:

**WARNING:** Do not mount on hollow wall surfaces such as drywall, sheetrock, plaster, fiberglass, acrylic, or similar materials without solid backing. Do not affix grab bars directly to hollow, steel studs. In order to support the maximum weight limit, grab bars must be anchored to solid blocking installed between wall studs or to the studs themselves.

**WARNING:** Use the hardware and mounting screws included with the product. If a hollow-wall-type anchoring system is used, it must be certified by its manufacturer as ADA compliant, for use with grab bars, and compatible with Vibe's wall-mount profile.

**WARNING:** Do not modify the product in any way. Modification of the product will void all product certifications and warranties.

**WARNING:** Be careful not to penetrate existing pipes or electrical lines when screwing into a wall. Damage, injury, or death may occur.

**SAVE THIS INSTALLATION GUIDE**

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**Congratulations on the purchase the  
Vibe Grab Bar from LifeValet!**

**NOTE:** This Installation Guide is for the LifeValet Vibe Grab Bar system only. For the installation of other LifeValet Grab Bar models, please visit [www.lifevalet.com](http://www.lifevalet.com) or contact your sales representative.

## FIGURE 1: TOOLS NEEDED FOR INSTALLATION



Fine-tipped  
Permanent  
Marker



Diamond  
Drill Bits



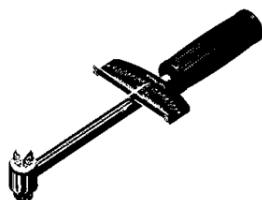
Tape Measure



Waterproof  
Construction  
Adhesive  
& Gun



Level



Torque Wrench  
Capable of reading  
14 in.-lbs. (1.58 N-m)



Drywall Saw



Stud Finder  
Sensor

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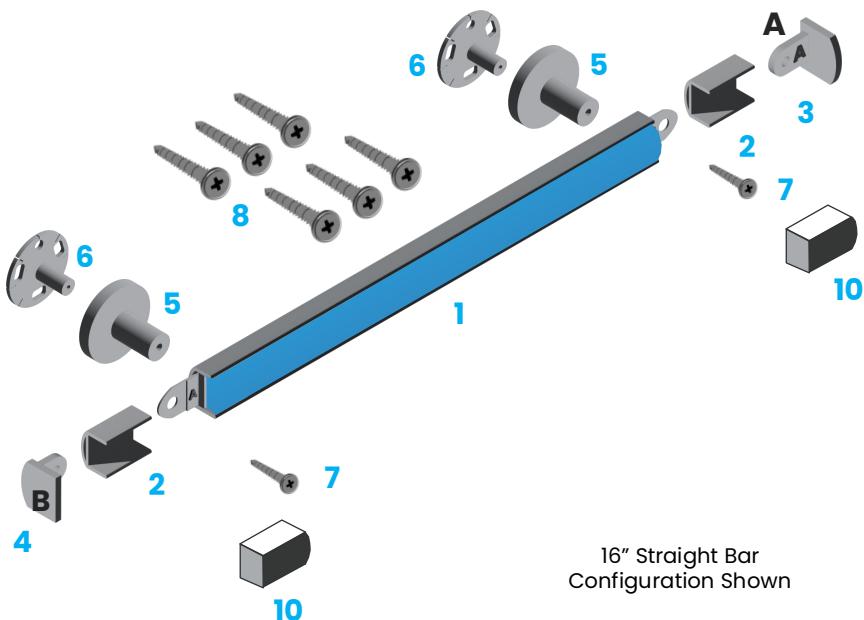
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#### FIGURE 2: PARTS LIST

The following is a list of parts for the Vibe Grab Bar system.

| ITEM | DESCRIPTION   |
|------|---|
| 1    | Vibe Main Bar Sub Assembly w/ Glass Insert          |
| 2    | Connectors (2) (Straight, 120-Degree, or 90-Degree) |
| 3    | End Cap - A   |
| 4    | End Cap - B   |
| 5    | Wall Extensions (2)                                 |
| 6    | Mounting Plates (2)                                 |
| 7    | SS 5/16"-24 x 1" Phillips Flat Head Screw (2)       |
| 8    | Mounting Plate Screws, 21/64 x 2" (6)               |
| 9    | (Not in use)  |
| 10   | Domed Connector Inserts (2)                         |



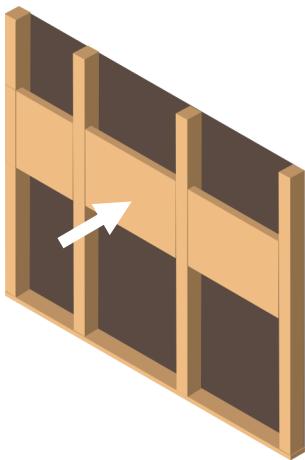
## SITE PREPARATION

LifeValet recommends installation by a qualified professional using current ADA installation practices for grab bars as detailed by ANSI 117.1 and/or ASTM F446-19. R23.

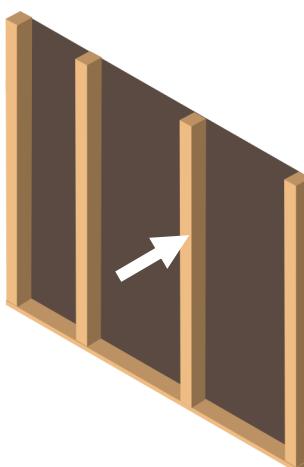
Vibe Grab Bars must be mounted directly to wall studs or appropriate solid blocking between studs and affixed using a **minimum** of two screws per mounting plate.

If a hollow-wall-type anchoring system is used, it must be certified by its manufacturer as ADA compliant, for use with grab bars, and compatible with Vibe's wall-mount profile. Follow the installation instructions provided by the product's manufacturer.

### SOLID BLOCKING OPTION:



### WALL STUD OPTION:



**Note:** Double-check that all required Grab Bar assemblies, connectors, and/or components are on hand to ensure correct installation.

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## INSTALLATION OVERVIEW

1. Subsurface preparation, install blocking
2. Unpack the grab bar
3. Prepare the main bar for installation (see Page 9)
4. Preliminary Installation, mark the wall position of the mounting plates
5. Grab Bar Installation on the mounting plates
6. Finalize installation of your grab bar



## SUBSURFACE PREPARATION

**Vibe grab bars must be screwed into solid blocking installed between studs or to the studs themselves.** This subsurface preparation is made before the finished wall and final veneer are in place. Be sure to have all blocking in place and located prior to installing grab bars.

**If a hollow-wall-type anchoring system is used, it must be certified by its manufacturer as ADA compliant, for use with grab bars, and compatible with Vibe's wall-mount profile.** Follow the installation instructions provided by the product's manufacturer.

Regardless of type of installation, LifeValet recommends installation by a qualified professional using current ADA installation practices for grab bars as detailed by ANSI A117.1 and/or ASTM F446-19. R23.

For ADA installations, where grab bar lengths are less than 18", the installation location will be subject to field installation according to the ADA Standards.

For the latest information, please refer to the Local Building Code in your area, and the latest copy of following standards:

- ASTM F446-19 entitled, "Standard Consumer Safety Specification for Grab Bars and Accessories Installed in the Bathing Area"
- ANSI A117.1-2017, ICC A117.1-17, entitled, "Standard for Accessible and Usable Buildings and Facilities"



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## UNPACKING

Unpack the grab bar and components from the box onto a soft, non-abrasive surface and layout all pieces as presented on page 5, Figure 2: Parts List. Check that all components are present and have not been damaged in shipping. **Throughout the installation, refer to Figure 2: Parts List on Page 5 to easily identify components.**

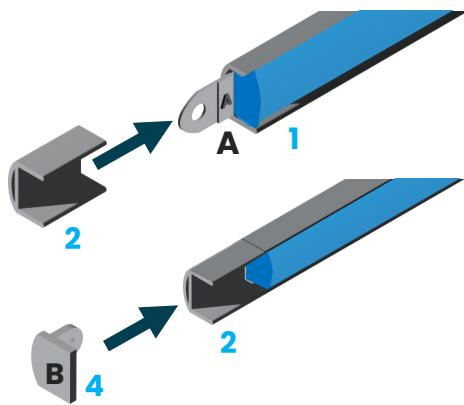
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**Note:** End-Cap "B" connects to the "A" side of the Main Bar.

Remove Connector Inserts (10), and set them aside.

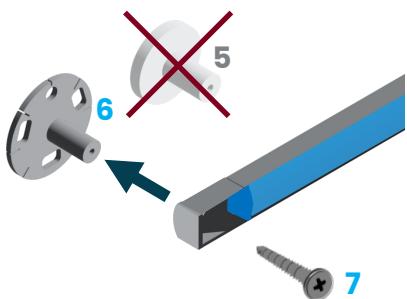
### Left-End Assembly

1. Set the main bar so that the empty cavity faces you.
2. Locate parts 4, 2, and 1. Align them as shown. Each End Cap is marked either "A" or "B." Ensure that the Left-Side End Cap, Part 4 is marked as "B". Connectors are universal, so are interchangeable.
3. Join Connector (2) onto the Main Bar (1) at the "A" End. Then insert "B" End Cap (4) into Insert Connector (2).



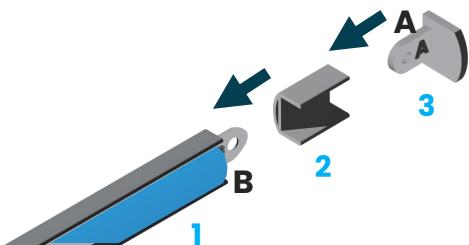
## PRELIMINARY INSTALLATION

4. As part of the preliminary installation process, use Screw (7) to attach the Main Bar Assembly to the Mounting Plate (6)-not the Wall Extension (5). **This preliminary step is necessary.** Be sure the down arrow on the mounting plate faces DOWN.



### Right-End Assembly

5. Repeat the Steps from the Left-End Assembly for the Right-End Assembly. Join Connector (2) onto the Main Bar (1) at the "B" End. Then insert "A" End Cap (3) into Insert Connector (2).



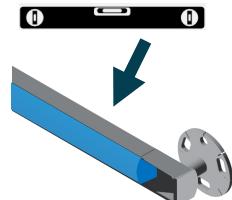
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6. The main bar is now screwed to the two mounting plates and is ready for the next step.
7. Mounting Plate Positioning:

a) Position the grab bar at the desired location on the wall, ensuring the mounting plates are flush against the surface and aligned with the Studs or the Solid Blocking in the wall.



b) Use a level to confirm the grab bar is level or aligned at the desired angle.



c) With a fine-tipped permanent marker, mark the positions of the screw holes on each mounting plate. Be sure the "Down" arrow is facing down.



d) **Each mounting plate must be installed with a minimum of two screws.**

## PRELIMINARY INSTALLATION (CONTINUED)

8. **When drilling through porcelain tile, consult the tile manufacturer for their recommendations.**
  - a) LifeValet recommends that you begin by drilling a shallow pilot hole to ensure precise control in the next step.
  - b) Keep the drill area wet during the process by using a wet sponge or spraying water with a spray bottle to cool the bit and reduce dust.
  - c) Use a  $\frac{1}{4}$ " drill bit designed specifically for "Glass and Tile."
  - d) Standard masonry or carbide-tipped drill bits may not perform effectively for this task. Use "glass and tile" drill bits, such as those from Milwaukee or comparable bands, which are readily available at most hardware stores.
  - e) After creating the pilot hole, use a  $\frac{1}{4}$ " diamond micro-hole saw, such as those from Milwaukee or similar brands, to drill completely through the tile.
  - f) Always follow the manufacturer's instructions for their products.
  - g) Refer to the marks you previously made for the mounting plates, and drill each hole according to these guidelines.



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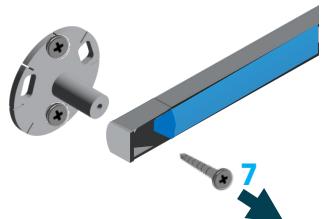
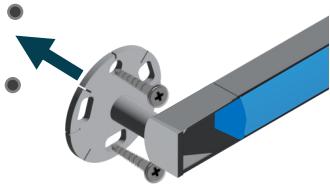
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## MOUNTING PLATES INSTALLATION

**Installing into solid blocking:** Use these steps when mounting grab bars to pre-prepared solid blocking inside the wall. **For Mounting Instructions with Specially-Designated Grab Bar Wall Anchors, follow the Manufacturer's Installation Instructions.**

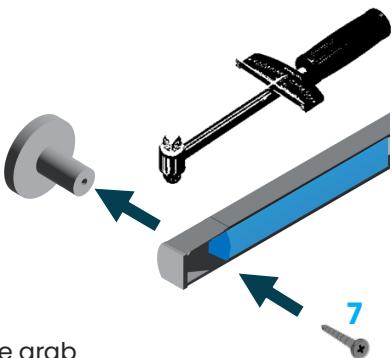
9. With all holes drilled and ready to receive the grab bar, attach the mounting plates to the wall in the prepared locations using screws (8). If the Main Bar is blocking any of the screw locations, the screws can be left out until Step 11.
10. Remove the left and right screws (7) holding the Main Bar Assembly to the Wall Mounting Plates.
11. Install any screws (8) that were previously blocked by the Main Bar Assembly.
12. Position the Wall Extension (5), onto the threaded shaft of the mounting plate and carefully screw clockwise until the wall extension is hand-tight and snug against the wall. Repeat for the remaining Wall Mount(s).



**CAUTION: Do not use tools to tighten the wall extension. It is not necessary and damage may occur.**

## INSTALLATION OF THE GRAB BAR INTO FINAL POSITION

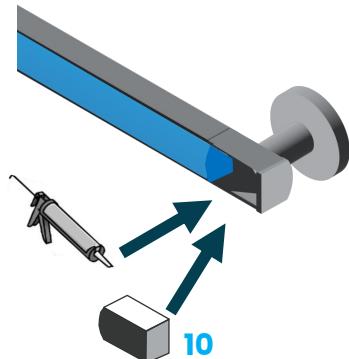
Place the assembled grab bar on top of the wall extensions and reusing screws (7), tighten until snug. Use a torque wrench to tighten to 14 in-lbs or 1.58 N·m.



Test the integrity of your installation by gradually applying downward pressure on the center of the bar. There should be no movement. The Vibe grab bar is engineered to withstand 300 lbs of downward force, as per ADA standards.

## CONNECTOR INSERTS INSTALLATION

Run a light bead of adhesive at the base of each connector's (2) cavity. Place a Domed Connector Insert (10) into the connector (2) and press down until it seats into position. The top of the Connector Insert should be aligned and flush with the top of the Glass Insert of the grab bar. Repeat for the other Connector Inserts.



**Congratulations! You have successfully installed your Vibe Grab Bar.**

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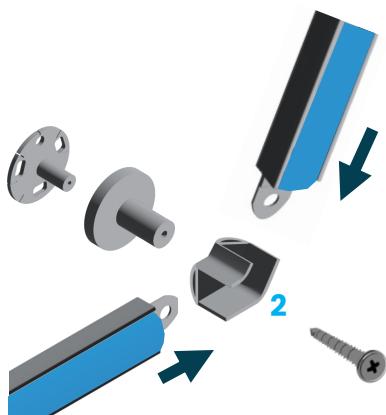
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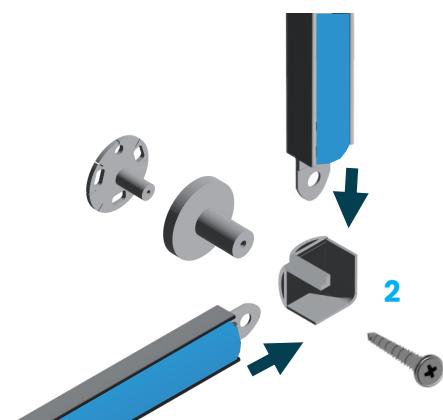
## MULTIPLE BAR CONNECTOR OPTIONS

Vibe Grabs are modular. This means that you can use one of our stock connectors to join bars into 90 degree or 120 degree angles. Please speak to your sales representative or contact LifeValet customer service ([sales@lifevalet.com](mailto:sales@lifevalet.com) or 833.543.8253) for more information.

120-DEGREE  
CONNECTOR

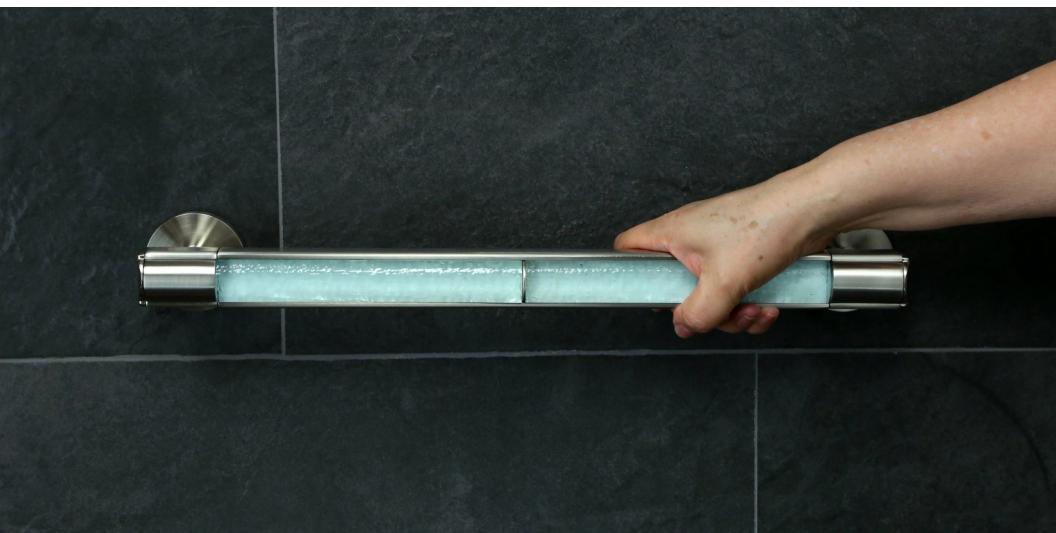


90-DEGREE  
CONNECTOR



## CARE & USE INSTRUCTIONS

1. Care should be given to the cleaning of this product. Although its finish is extremely durable, it can be damaged by harsh abrasives or polish. To clean, simply wipe gently with a damp cloth and blot dry with a soft towel. Do not use metal, commercial (bleach, ammonia, or acid), or abrasive cleaners of any kind.
2. Use **EXTREME** caution on wet tub or floor surfaces.
3. Users with limited physical capabilities should be supervised or assisted in bath and commode areas, even when using Grab Bars.
4. Grab Bars must be correctly and securely installed.  
**NEVER** use Grab Bars if any looseness is noted.



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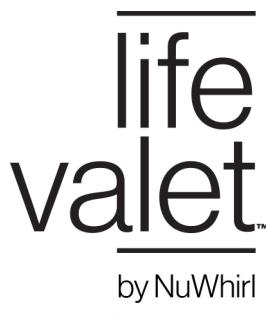


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