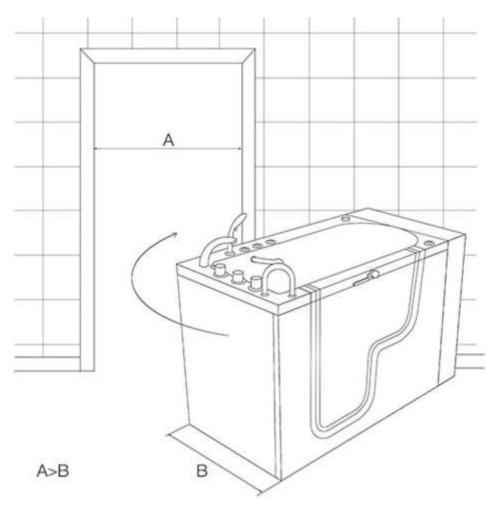
Considerations When Choosing a Model of Walk-In Bathtub

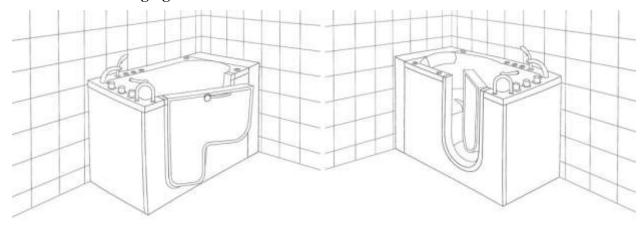
Your Bathroom Size.

The bathtub width needs to be less than the width of your doorways to get the tub into the house and into the bathroom. If the tub you want is wider than your door openings, then you may need to take doorframes off to make clearance for the tub. Be advised that this can add to the cost of your installation.



*the size B must be less than the size A

Outward vs. Inward Swinging Tub Door



Outward Swing Doors

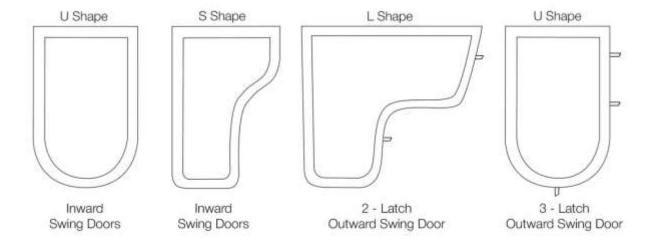
Outward swing doors benefit those who need a little extra room to enter the walk-in bathtub or those who have mobility issues and can't maneuver around an inward swinging walk in bathtub door. Outward swing walk in bathtubs are also the best option if you're looking for wheelchair access or a transfer walk in bathtub, considering that wheelchair accessible walk in bathtub seat height will align with the wheelchair. Our Ella brand outward swing door walk in bathtubs have 3 latches to prevent the door from warping. The 3 latch system increases the strength against water pressure to prevent any leakage.

Inward Swing Doors

Inward swing doors are great for the common bather who doesn't need the extra room to get into the walk in bathtub. They also are great space savers and perform well in smaller bathrooms as some bathrooms don't offer the space needed to accommodate an outward swinging door walk in bathtub. They also are self-sealing. As the water pressure pushes on the door it further seals it to prevent leaks.

Door Style:

Picking the correct door type is an important detail that you don't want to overlook. There are 'U' shaped doors that sport a modern design and are perfect for the common bather. L shaped doors are great for those with mobility issues as they allow for easy transfer from wheelchair to walk in bathtub and back.



Your Body Size

Walk in bathtubs come in different widths. The inside seat width is important. To decide what size tub will work for you, sit in a chair and measure across your body from elbow to elbow. Make sure this measurement is less than the inside width of the tub.

Selecting the Placement of the Walk-In Tub

The house drain positioning will determine where the walk-in tub can be placed. If it is new construction, the positioning of the drain and walk-in tub placement can be planned. In many remodeling cases it may not be feasible to change the drain positioning. Selection of the walk-in tub drain side will be based on drain positioning of the current shower or the bathtub. Your contractor must make sure the house drain can be connected to the drain of your selected walk-in tub. For example in many cases you have to choose the left drain/door walk-in tub to connect to the existing right side drain of the bath-tub or shower you are replacing. Please consult to your licensed contractor to assure the correct selection.

