

PRODUCT INFORMATION

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Guide for winterizing Waterbridge Exposed Shower Systems

Sonoma Forge fixtures are hand made from mostly brass and copper materials, then plated to achieve the stunning finishes you see in our extensive catalog. We offer sixteen standard exposed shower systems in our Waterbridge collection, and offer many accessories for you to customize it to your personal needs. Like all exposed outdoor plumbing, expanding water in freezing temperatures may cause damage to your fixture. This guide will help you winterize your Sonoma Forge exposed shower to avoid damage.

A remote shutoff and drain on each supply line is always a good idea during installation, and makes winterizing any exposed plumbing easier. A simple diagram is included on the next page.

If you require any further clarification or instruction, please feel free to contact Sonoma Forge.

<u>Wall mounted systems</u> 840, 850, 870, 880, 940, 950, 970, 980

When the shower is turned off, water is going to sit in the vertical riser and rain head. If you do not have a remote drain, remove the lowest cartridge to let the water drain. Please contact Sonoma Forge if you need instructions on how to do this.

Gently tapping the rain head should release any water sitting inside.

If equipped, the hand shower hose can be unscrewed from the shower body and drained.

- *On systems with a tub filler/foot wash, you can instead open all valves to allow drainage from that spout.
- *850 and 880 systems produced after April 2016 have a diverter that should be turned or removed to allow drainage.
- *940 and 950 systems have a plug on the bottom of the thermostatic valve that **must** be removed to completely drain.

Floor mounted systems 1040, 1050, 1070, 1080, 1140, 1150, 1170, 1180

When the shower is turned off, water will sit in the vertical risers and the rain head. If you do not have remote drains on the supply lines, you must disconnect the bottom of the system from the plumbing at the floor. Make sure to have all valves open to allow water to drain.

Gently tapping the rain head should release any water sitting inside.

If equipped, the hand shower hose can be unscrewed from the shower body and drained.

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- *1140 and 1150 systems have a plug on the bottom of the thermostatic valve that **must** be removed to completely drain.

