



**BATHROOM  
MAKEOVERS**

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## THINKING ABOUT UPGRADING YOUR BATHROOM OR ENSUITE, BUT NOT SURE WHERE TO START?

With a Tradition of Service Excellence since 1954, Kalamunda Plumbing can help renovate your bathroom. Whether you're looking to update tapware, plumbing fixtures and fittings or create a brand-new look, our experienced team can take care of all the **plumbing work** that comes with a bathroom renovation.

### In What Order Should You Renovate a Bathroom?

Bathroom renovations can transform your home by adding value, lifting your mood and improving your daily routine. However, knowing the right order to tackle each task is crucial for a smooth and successful renovation.

Here's a comprehensive guide to help you navigate the process, with key insights to ensure a seamless transformation.

#### Order for renovating your bathroom:

1. Planning and design
2. Preparation and Permits
3. Construction Phase
4. Plumbing and electrical work
5. Structural repairs and framing
6. Installations (bathtub, shower, etc.)
7. Wall and floor tiling
8. Painting and finishing
9. Installing fixtures and fittings
10. Final touches and cleanup





## PLANNING AND DESIGN

### Budget and Scope:

Determine your budget and decide on the scope of the renovation, whether it's a minor update or a complete overhaul. Cost of bathroom upgrades can range anywhere from a few thousand dollars for a simple upgrade of taps and plumbing fixtures, to many thousands. Nevertheless, factor in at least an additional 15% to cover the unforeseen.

Remember, 'cheap' bathroom makeovers almost always decrease a bathroom's appeal and value instead of enhancing it. The cheapest options often result in 'corner cutting', resulting in unsatisfactory finishes, structural issues and further, more expensive repairs.

### Style and Features:

Choose your desired style and the specific features you want to include, like a new shower, bathtub or storage solutions.

### Detailed Plans:

Create detailed plans and a scrapbook of ideas, including the layout of fixtures, tiles and colour schemes.

### Asbestos Check:

Before any structural work, check for asbestos, as it requires professional removal.

# PREPARATION AND PERMITS

## Council Approval

Check if your renovation requires approval from the local council, especially for structural changes.

## Hire Trades

If you aren't doing the work yourself, hire **licensed** professionals for plumbing, electrical and building work.

However, do your homework first and check their Google Reviews. Some of those so-called 'budget friendly' sub-trades don't always provide guarantees, leaving you with no recourse if issues arise later.

## Select Products

Choose and purchase your materials, including shower, bath, vanity, mirror, tiles and lighting.



# CONSTRUCTION PHASE

## Demolition

Remove existing fixtures and materials, such as old tiles, the sink, toilet and bathtub. This is something you may decide to do yourself.

## Plumbing and Electrical

A licensed plumber and electrician will be required to install new pipes in floor and walls, as well as wiring, according to the new layout.

It is also the time to install new bath and shower base before tiling.

**IMPORTANT: Do not let the tiler dictate scheduling.**

## Structural and Waterproofing

Address any structural repairs and framing, and apply essential waterproofing to walls and floors.



# FINISHES AND INSTALLATION

## Wall and Floor Tiling

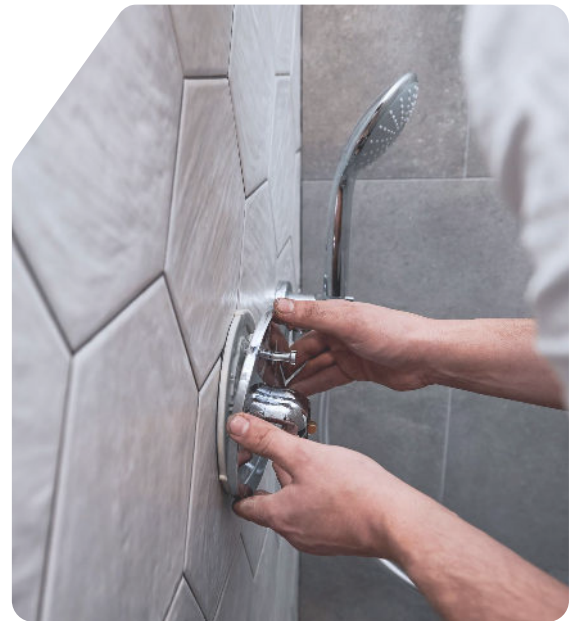
Install the new floor and wall tiles.

## Fit Off

Install new fixtures and fittings, such as the vanity unit, toilet, tapware and shower screen.

## Painting

Paint the walls and ceiling, making sure all necessary preparation is done first.



# ACCESSORIES AND CLEANUP

## Accessories

Install accessories like shower screens, mirrors, towel rails, toilet holders and light fittings.

## Final Cleanup

Thoroughly clean the renovated space and inspect ready for handover and use.



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