

Fireclay Care and Install

Fireclay sinks are very heavy. We recommend using at least two people when lifting the sink. Fireclay sinks will require extra support and modification to existing cabinets.

Sinkology Fireclay sinks require a solid support built into the cabinet and recommend professional installation. This sink is approx. 100 lbs. so strong and sturdy supports are needed. We recommend an under mount install with a frame supporting the underside of the sink. This installation will highlight the beauty of the sink and solid countertop surface.

- 1) Make a template for the counter top by tracing the outside edge of the sink on a piece of cardboard, then make a second line an inch inside the first line. This second line will be the cut out for your countertop. Place it on your countertop where you want to install the sink and cut the countertop.
- 2) Measure the front apron of the sink and cut the face of the cabinet to allow the sink to slide in.
- 3) Install the sink support in the cabinet base.
 - a. Install two lengths of 2x4's in the cabinet base. The sink will rest directly on these 2x4's
 - b. Install a length of 2x4 under each corner of the sink base to create support legs directly under the sink.
 - c. The sink should rest 1/8" in. below the top of your cabinets, ensuring plenty of clearance to countertop installation. Use a level to make sure the sink is even and will drain correctly.
- 4) Place the sink in the support structure. Apply a bead of silicone sealant between the rim of the sink and the counter top to create a watertight seal. Hook up the drain underneath according to the drain instructions and the sink will be ready for use.
 - a. **DO NOT** overtighten your disposal drain, this could damage your kitchen sink. Use plumbers putty to make a water tight seal between the drain and the sink.

Fireclay is strong, durable, and resistant to stains and scratches, but it's not invincible. Don't use harsh abrasive cleaners or rough, metal cleaning pads on the sink. Gently rinse the sink out after use to make sure your sink doesn't stain. If your sink develops any stains, use a mild abrasive, such as baking powder, on the discolored area. Use mild soap and water or general, all-purpose cleaners with a soft cloth or sponge on the sink. We also recommend purchasing a bottom grid to keep your sink looking its best.