

## COMMON INSTALLATION ISSUES WITH STAINLESS STEEL SINKS

## STAINLESS STEEL SINKS NOT HOLDING WATER

The most common cause of a new sink not holding water is leakage between the waste and the sink. The rim of the waste in contact with the sink must be sealed using the supplied foam seal and/or use of silicone to ensure water does not leak out between the waste and the sink seal.

> Leaking between the sink and the waste. Use the foam seal, plumber's putty or silicone to seal the top of the sink waste hole



## **MY SINKS IS RUSTING**

On occasions, sinks on building sites are used by tradespeople to discard liquid wastes. Often this building waste product can contain foreign contaminants including very small metal particles. These small particles can embed themselves in the grain of the stainless steel.

When the sink is eventually used by the owner, these particles can rust, causing the sink to appear to rust. In most cases this is only a surface tarnish of the sink, and not a permanent tarnish on the sink.

The sink may be cleaned using one of the following methods and a little elbow grease:

- Stainless Steel cleaner
- Mixing Bi-Carbonate of Soda and Vinegar into a thin paste.
- 10% dilution of Nitric Acid

NOTE: Stainless Steel sinks do not rust. You may need to repeat the process 2-3 times depending upon the extent of the contamination.

## SBC-620 CERAMIC TROUGH NOT HOLDING WATER

This is caused by water escaping between the waste and the basin. The rim of the waste in contact with the basin must be sealed using silicone to ensure water does not leak out between the waste and the sink seal.

NOTE: Some wastes may be supplied with sealing foam, you must remove the foam seal and only use silicone to seal between the basin and waste.



Leaking between the sink and the waste



Use plumber's putty or silicone to seal the top of the sink waste hole

