





GRIPP Grab Bar Installation, Warranty, Safety and Care Instruction Guide



GB3200 (1-1/4" diameter) and GB3800 Series (1-1/2" diameter)

Thank you for purchasing the *nie wieder bohren*. (German for "no drilling required") heavy duty grab bars. *nie wieder bohren*. – Germany is an innovation leader in fastening technology. These bars have been engineered to exceed ASTM (American Society for Testing and Materials) requirements and offer the ability to mount using the internationally patented *nie wieder bohren*. – no drilling required – technology on premium surfaces such as tile, natural stone, glass and metal. The *nie wieder bohren*. – no drilling required – adapter system allows for ease of installation, durability, performance and no holes in the walls! Another advantage of this innovative approach on fastening technology is that the system can be removed, if needed, with no damage to the surface. Moreover, with an additional set of adapters, the bar can be re-installed in minutes.

Choosing and Positioning a Wall Mounted Grab Bar

Wall mounted grab bars come in several lengths. Deciding which length to install depends on how the grab bar will be used. If you are planning to put a main grab bar on the side wall of a bathroom tub enclosure, the National Kitchen and Bath Association recommends using a grab bar of at least 24 inches. If you also want to add a second grab bar for further support on the shower head wall, it should be at least 12 inches long. Before deciding whether to install a grab bar horizontally, diagonally or vertically the following needs to be taken into consideration: Horizontal grab bars offer better leverage to a person getting up from the bathtub or up and down from a toilet, whereas a grab bar placed at a 45 degree angle to the toilet or bathtub rim is easier for people of differing heights to reach. Horiztonal grab bars should be located 33 to 36 inches above the finished floor around toilets, 33 to 36 inches above the floor of the bathtub and close enough to the shower head wall in order to support a person adjusting water temperature. Vertical mount is ideally wall mounted on the entrance to the tub and directly under the shower head to assist with safe entry and to prevent from falling while showering. The *nie wieder bohren.* grab bars are also ideal to mount directly to the tub edge to aid children in safe entry and exit from the bathtub.

Note: Failure to follow the instruction sheet completely may result in a product failure and will void the warranty. Please be sure to carefully read and follow the instructions for optimum results and safety

Cleaning and Preparing the Surface

This is a professional adhesive mounting system. To perform properly, all surfaces must be free of any soap deposits, scaling, spotting, wax, sealants or new construction debris prior to proceeding to the next step. It is recommended that you clean the mounting areas first with a light abrasive cleaner such as Soft Scrub. After cleaning, rinse well with fresh water and dry. Inspect area for any remaining deposits. If the surface cannot be cleaned with normal cleaners, you can use a 320 grit wet/dry abrasive paper to remove heavy deposits. This will not scratch the surface but will remove issues of hard water or scale. Do not proceed until the surface is completely clean!

nie wieder bohren. – no drilling required. - Recommended for Tile, Natural Stone, Concrete, Glass & Metal. This can be used on smooth or textured surfaces. Surface must be flat on plane to avoid continuous surface tension on the adhesive.

Components:

- Grab Bar
- GB00002-NDR (mounting kit)

Tools required:

- Clean paper towel

- GB00002-NDR Adapter Set: 2 Adapters, 3 Adhesive Tubes, 3 Red Tube Keys, 6 Stainless Steel Screws, 1 Allen Wrench, 1 Alcohol Cleaning Cloth
- 2. Locate and mark desired position for bar. Use a level if needed. Be sure desired **mounting surface** is **completely flat** at all six fastening points. The bar should not rock or have gaps between the base and the wall.
- Prepare the surface with pure acetone and/or the supplied cleaning cloth. Allow to dry fully for about 30 minutes. After the surface has fully dried, wipe any residue from the surface with a clean dry paper towel.
 Do not use a rag or clothing to prevent introducton of fabric softener or other chemicals to the surface
- 4. Slide grab bar end cover ring away to expose the three hole base plate. Attatch the two triangular adapters to the grab bar by using the allen wrench with supplied screws. If the wall cover ring cannot be easily removed from the grab bar, simply tap bar on a firm surface.
- 5. Carefully remove the adapters' protective film from foam rings on both sides. Be careful not to tear the foam ring and do not touch the adhesive on foam rings! Be sure you have clearly marked the location before attaching. Carefully press the grab bar into place in the desired location for 5 seconds. The adhesive rings are meant to temporarily hold the adapters in place to ensure safe insertion of the special adhesive. Therefore, do not apply too much pressure on the grab bar! Once the adapter makes contact with surface, it cannot be removed without damaging ring









- 6. Remove the grab bar from the adapters again by removing the screws. If you are mounting horizontally or vertically, remove the screws on the lower end first to prevent potential injury. After removal of all screws, the adapters are now fixed to the wall in the proper location and ready for the adhesive.
- 7. Carefully unfold the tube end to allow the red key to easily slide on. To open the black adhesive tube, carefully pierce the seal with the pointed end of the red tube key.
- 8. Slide the slotted portion of the red tube key over tube end and engage end of tube. Be careful not to squeeze or advance the glue from tube before next step.
- 9. Insert tube into center hole and it will wedge into hole. Do not put downward pressure on the adapter as it will cause the glue to not flow into the adapter easily. Turn the red key slowly to insert the adhesive until the adhesive beads up from each of the three vent holes. Should adhesive tube be empty before it beads up from each vent hole, open another tube and continue insertion as described. Do not disturb or apply pressure on the adapter after inserting the adhesive for 24 hours! Do not attempt to wipe off any excess adhesive right after insertion into the adapter since this could compromise the bond! Clean excess adhesive is easy once cured.
- 10. Allow adhesive to cure for a minimum of 24 hours. Remove the excess adhesive with a razor knife. Make sure that the excess from the center hole is removed evenly. The adapter's surface has to be completely smooth in order to mount the grab bar flush.
- 11. Reattach grab bar to the adapters using the supplied screws. If holes do not line up, flip grab bar over as this proper orientation is key to alignment. Loosely attach all screws first before tightening all.

- 13. Test for proper installation to be sure bar is firmly mounted by applying some pressure.
- 12. Slide cover ring over mounting flange. Turn in one direction until the ring is properly aligned and assure a snug fit. Note there should be a small gap between cover ring and wall to provide proper drainage of water. Note: the cover ring is easily attached if it is turned to the proper position and then snapped on.















Adapter Removal:

Option 1

- 1. Remove grab bar from the adapters by taking out the screws and spacers
- 2. Put masking tape around triangle to prevent scratching surface. Use channel locks and firmly turn the adapter clockwise applying consistent pressure
- 3. Remove excess adhesive from surface using a razor knife and wipe with acetone if needed. For rough surfaces, a coarse brush can also be used.

Safety Warning:

- > Follow instructions carefully to ensure proper performance as well as to reduce the chance of injury
- If you have purchased the *nie wieder bohren*. adapter, be sure to check the stability of the wall prior to mounting. If the existing wall is old or has any visible water damage or weakness, the performance of the grab bar should be affected negatively.
- When installed properly on a sturdy surface, the *nie wieder bohren*. system exceeds the ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act) requirements for a weight capacity of 250lbs. However, grab bars are not designed to support a person's total weight and rather to provide for stability and assistance. Do not stand or sit on the grab bar!
- It is recommended to routinely check your grab bar in order to make sure it is properly secured and no looseness or wall damage noted.
- The GB00002-NDR adapter kit contains small parts which should be kept out of reach of CHILDERN, PETS and those NOT APPRISED in the use of this product at all times in order to avoid injuries.
- > Do not substitute any other adhesive for use with the *nie wieder bohren*. system. This is a professional grade adhesive which was especially designed for this adapter.
- The alcohol cleaning cloth should only be used for its intended purpose. It can only perform sufficiently if opened directly before use.
- > When using cleaners and chemicals like acetone, please observe the manufacturer's specific safety regulations.



First Aid:

Skin: Avoid long term contact with the skin. Rinse with running water and soap. Apply replenishing cream. Eyes: Avoid contact with the eyes as well as with other mucous membranes. Wash with plenty of water immediately and continue for several minutes, holding eyelid open. Consult a doctor.

If ingested, seek medical advice immediately and show this container or label and/or contact poison control For further information call 800-961-5804 or go to

http://www.niewiederbohren.de/media/raw/Safety_Data_Sheet_nwb2011_en.pdf for a copy of the MSDS (Material Safety Data Sheet).







Lifetime Limited Warranty:

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Care and Maintenance

- 1. Use mild soap and water to clean the grab bars. Do not use abrasive materials as they could damage the finish and void the warranty.
- 2. Check routinely that the grab bar is secure and tighten as necessary.
- 3. Avoid using any harsh cleaning products on or around the bar or adapters as this could damage the finish and weaken the adhesion. If spray chemicals are used, avoid allowing these to collect around the adapters.

Frequently Asked Questions

>What kind of surfaces is the nie wieder bohren. system suitable for?

Almost any smooth or rough surface is suitable if it is firm and able to bear the load in question. The *nie wieder bohren.* system is perfect for high quality materials that one does not want to damage by drilling. *Nie wieder bohren.* is suitable with ceramic (tiles), stone, marble, granite, glass, concrete, metal, wood and many plastics*. Based on load bearing for grab bars, it is recommended that you use this only on tile, natural stone, metal and heavy duty glass. Unsuitable surfaces, on the other hand, include plaster, wallpaper and sheetrock, which do not provide sufficient firmness and support for surface attachments. There is no adhesion to polyethylene (PE), polypropylene (PP) and polytetrafluoroethylene (PTFE, Teflon). These surfaces are rarely found in tub surrounds or bath enclosures.

The user is therefore advised to make preliminary tests when considering other types of surface. Although the system will work on most plastics and fiberglass, the actual load capacity will vary based on plastic material type, manufacture and wall thickness. For this reason we can not guarantee 250lb load capacity for these surfaces. We do not offer lifetime guarantee for these surfaces.

>Will the system work on rough surfaces too?

Surface texture is not a factor that affects the bonding strength of the *nie wieder bohren*. adhesive. However, the surface must be flat to match the adapter and should not have any large gaps that would let adhesive escape from underneath the adapter ring. In fact, a slightly roughened surface affords even better adhesion owing to the improved mechanical contact.

>Can I use the system outdoors as well?

Yes! The adhesive will not decay, withstands UV radiation, is water-resistant and not damaged by freezing (however, it should be applied at a temperature between 41 and 104° F (+5 and + 40° C).

>Will the system fail over time?

Absolutely not! Once the *nie wieder bohren*. system has been properly attached, its special single-component adhesive will ensure a permanent bond. Moreover, it will retain its elasticity and not fray the way many textile adhesive tapes do after only a few weeks. Moreover, short impact loads will not cause the adhesive surface to crack, as often happens with two-component adhesives that harden to form a crystalline connection.

>I followed the instructions carefully, but the adapter still fell from the wall. Why did that happen?

According to our experience, if the *nie wieder bohren*. system fails to deliver what we promise, it is usually for one of the three reasons listed below. Each of these reasons is caused by improper conditions for bonding. From the so-called fracture pattern of the adhesive on the back of the adapter, one can easily determine what the problem is.

- 1. Cavities in the adhesive caused by disturbing the adapter after inserting adhesive which causes air pockets and limits the bond
- 2. Insufficient curing time caused by trying to mount the accessory prior to the suggested curing time of 24 hours
- 3. Separation at surface caused by not cleaning surface properly prior to installation

>Can the adhesive cause damage to surfaces?

No. We know of no load-bearing material that would be harmed by the chemical substances in the nie weider bohren. adhesive.

>Is the adapter reusable?

No. The adapter is designed to be used only one time based on the patented "pass through" technology needed for curing. To remount your accessories it will be necessary to purchase another adapter kit.

>How long will the adhesive keep in the tube?

We guarantee a maximum usability of 12 months. The end date of this 12 month period is imprinted on the top fold of the tube in the format DD/MM/YY. If you find you have a tube which has expired, contact us for a replacement.

>Can you use the mounting system on other manufacturers products?

The system is designed to be used only with the *nie wieder bohren.* accessories. We now carry many different types of products which offer this technology. These include bath accessories, grab bars, hooks, caddies and door stops.

For installation videos and troubleshooting tips visit - www.nodrillingrequired.com

Warranty replacement claims - 1-800-961-5804. A \$9.85 S&H charge applies to all approved warranty replacement claims

Failure to follow the instructions could lead to adhesion failure and possible injury

*Actual performance varies on plastics and fiberglass and does not meet ADA specifications for load bearing. Lifetime guarantee does not apply if used on these surfaces.



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