

HINTS FOR HOMEOWNERS

Beautiful New Jewelry...For The Kitchen And Bath

(NAPSA)—One of the best ways to update the kitchen or bath, without the time, expense and inconvenience of a full-scale renovation, is to change your faucets. Faucets are like the jewelry of the kitchen and bath. New, stylishly designed fixtures and matching accessories can change the look of these important rooms much the same way a pendant or a strand of pearls can enliven last year's dress or a new tie can spruce up an old suit.

However, a lot of people are intimidated by the thought of replacing their own faucets. According to Charlie McTargett, Director of Product Development at Delta Faucet Company, there is really no need to be. "With a little forethought and preparation, and by taking advantage of available new technologies such as Delta's Quick Snap[®], installing a stylish new faucet can be relatively simple," says McTargett.

Below is a list of installation tips designed to take the apprehension and a lot of the labor out of replacing faucets. These simple steps will also help give a new look to a kitchen and/or bath in no time.

- Allow plenty of time to install your new faucet. Don't rush yourself.

- Assemble the appropriate tools listed on the installation sheet included in your faucet box.

- Shut off the water supplies from the valves located under your sink, then turn on the faucet to release pressure.

- Disconnect the tubes attached to the water supply valves. You may need to use a tube cutter if the water supply pipes were soldered.



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GOING WITH THE FLOW—This Victorian Kitchen Faucet in Venetian Bronze features a new technology that makes it easier to install.

- Loosen and remove the old faucet and all faucet parts from the sink. You will likely need to use a basin wrench plus a little extra muscle power. (Keep in mind, removing your old faucet will be the toughest part of the job.)

- Thoroughly clean the sink and counter area where the existing faucet was removed before inserting your new faucet.

- Follow the step-by-step instructions provided with your new faucet to properly install the product.

- After the faucet is installed, don't forget to remove the aerator, and turn on the hot and cold water supplies for one minute to flush the water lines. This will remove debris that could cause damage to internal parts.

If you need help while installing your faucet, call 1-800-345-DELTA (3358), Monday through Saturday, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Or, e-mail customer service@deltafaucet.com.