

Product Care Guide

Congratulations on your purchase of a Garadam garage door threshold seal! Your new threshold seal will prevent unwanted water, dust, critters and debris from entering your garage for many years to come provided you take good care of it.

Below is a handy list of tips to help you make the most of your new product.

NOTE: The Garadam threshold seal is coiled in its box in transit. Please lay flat on a clean surface prior to fitting the threshold seal to allow it to return to its extruded shape.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION



1. Driving over the threshold seal

When driving across the threshold seal, ensure this is done at a slow speed. Excess speed can put large amounts of stress on the seal and cause damage. It is not a speed ramp!



2. Heavy weights on the threshold seal

Do not overload the threshold seal with excessive weight. The seals are designed for domestic vehicles. If you are unsure about which threshold seal will work with your vehicle, a weight guide is available on our website.



3. Stepping over the threshold seal

Due care and attention should be taken when stepping over the threshold seal to avoid the risk of tripping.



Avoid exposing the threshold seal to caustic chemicals, petroleum or detergents. This can cause discoloration and may cause the adhesive to fail.



To clean the threshold seal, simply use a damp cloth. Do not use abrasive cleaners or detergents.



Do not use a pressure washer to clean the threshold seal. This can damage the seal and adhesive, causing the watertight seal to fail.



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INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS



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Garadam threshold seals are suitable for use with manual and automatic tilt doors, sectional doors, rolling doors and flex-a-doors.

Garadam thresholds can be applied to a range of surfaces, including concrete, asphalt, epoxy coatings and blacktop.

The garage floor should be clean and free from dust, debris, oil and grease prior to fitting. For painted floors, a wire brush should be used to clean the area where the Garadam threshold seal is to be fitted to remove any loose paint. For best results, epoxy surfaces should be scuffed up with sandpaper beforehand to increase the surface area and allow for effective bonding.

Important: This product is not recommended for use on loose concrete or gravel surfaces. Unsealed concrete floors must be sealed prior to installation. (What is an unsealed floor? An unsealed floor is a floor with a loose or powdery finish). Due to coiling in transport, the Garadam threshold seal should be laid flat on a clean surface in a warm, dry room for 24 hours so that it returns to its original shape.

Tools required:

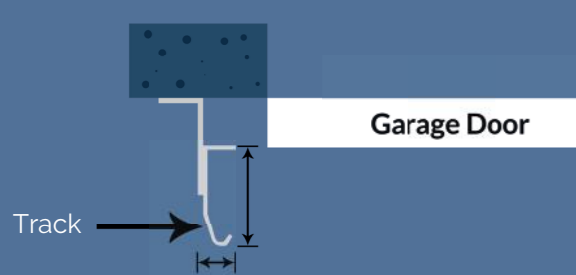
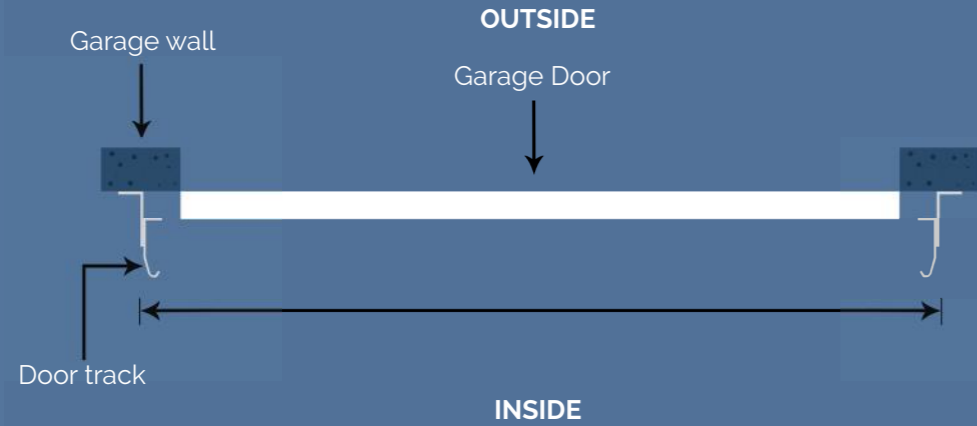
- Tape measure
- Hacksaw / sharp utility knife
- Pencil or marker
- Straightedge or rule
- Caulking gun



It is recommended that installation is completed by 2 or more people due to the weight of the threshold. The threshold seal should be fitted by mature adults and due care and attention should be paid when stepping over the threshold seal.

Step One

Measure the distance between the outside edges of the garage door tracks. Cut the Garadam threshold seal to that length.



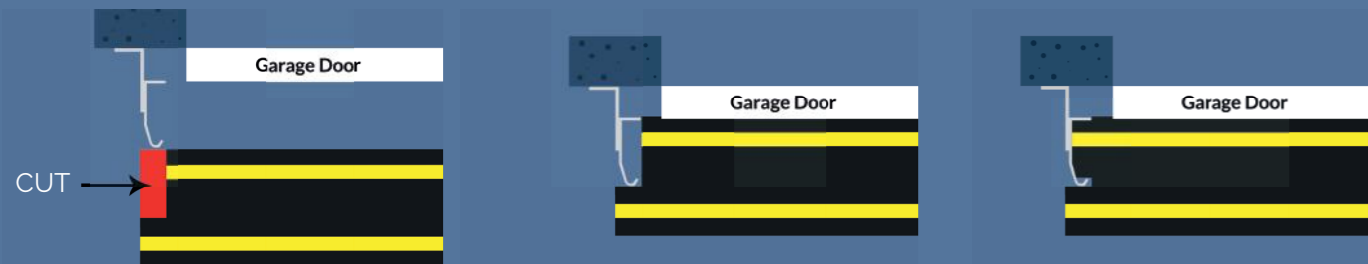
Step Two

Position the Garadam threshold seal behind the door tracks, and mark where it needs to be cut to fit securely around the door tracks.

Measure the distance between the back of the door and the back edge of the door track. This is the depth that needs to be cut out of the Garadam threshold seal to fit it around each of the door tracks.

Step Three

Cut the Garadam threshold seal as required to fit around both of the door tracks. (Optional) the off-cut section can be used to fill in the gap inside the door track. If installing further back behind the tracks, it is recommended GARADAM SIDE CAPS are used to prevent water pooling/spilling over the seal.

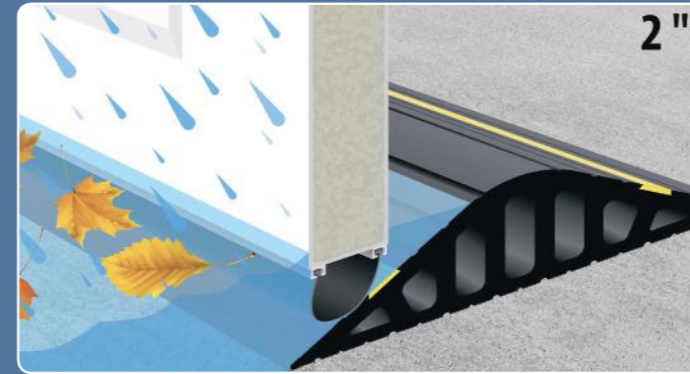
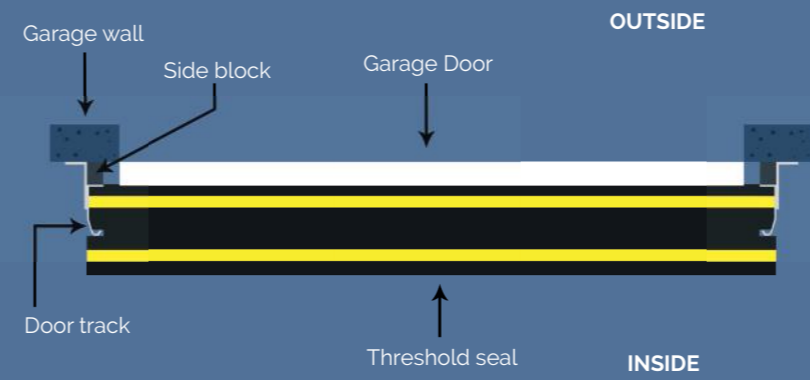


Step Four

With the garage door closed, place the Garadam threshold seal in position and push up tight against the back of the door to create a tight seal. The garage door should close onto the front edge of the seal (please ensure the garage door shuts correctly and locks with the seal in position – if it does not, then move the Garadam threshold back slightly and re-check. It is also advisable at this stage if you have an electrically operated door that the motor continues to operate normally).

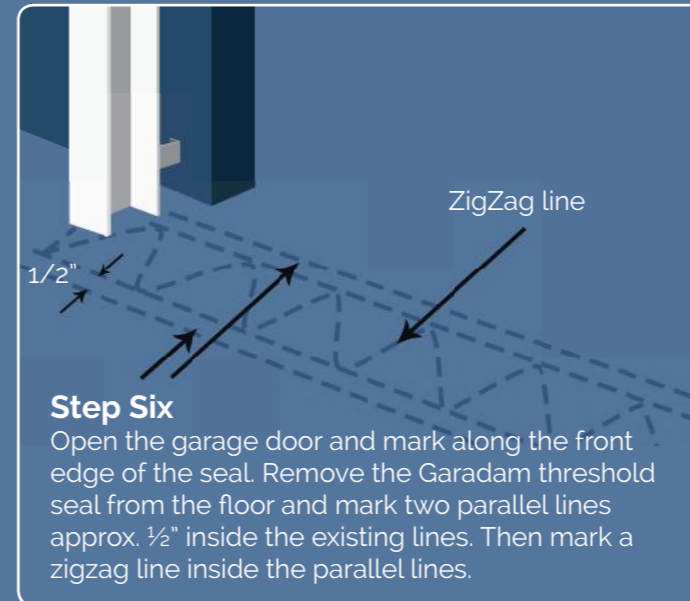
If there is visible daylight, then the Garadam threshold seal may need to be cut back further around the door tracks to ensure a tight seal.

If there is a floor-based alarm sensor, the Garadam threshold seal may need to be notched around this to ensure the alarm connection is not broken.



Step Five

With the Garadam threshold seal in position, mark along the back edge of the seal inside the garage.



Step Six

Open the garage door and mark along the front edge of the seal. Remove the Garadam threshold seal from the floor and mark two parallel lines approx. 1/2" inside the existing lines. Then mark a zigzag line inside the parallel lines.

Step Seven

Before fitting the Garadam threshold seal, use a dry cloth to remove any dust, grease and dirt from the bottom of the Garadam threshold seal.

Important: Brush the floor thoroughly ensuring that it is clean and free of dust, debris, oil and grease.

Cut the end (approx. 1/2" or 1.25cm) off the adhesive tube using a hacksaw or sharp knife. Apply the adhesive to the floor following the marked lines.

Note: Application temperature of the adhesive is 40° F to 95° F. It is recommended to keep the adhesive at room temperature prior to use.



Step Eight

Manoeuvre the seal to the edge of the installation area. The seal should be upside down. You and a friend should be positioned about 1/3 in from both ends of the seal. Carefully roll over the seal, taking care to ensure that the seal is gently lowered onto the adhesive. Press down along the seal to ensure effective bonding. Remove any excess adhesive from the sides with a clean cloth.



Step Nine

Finally, apply adhesive around door tracks to ensure a watertight seal.

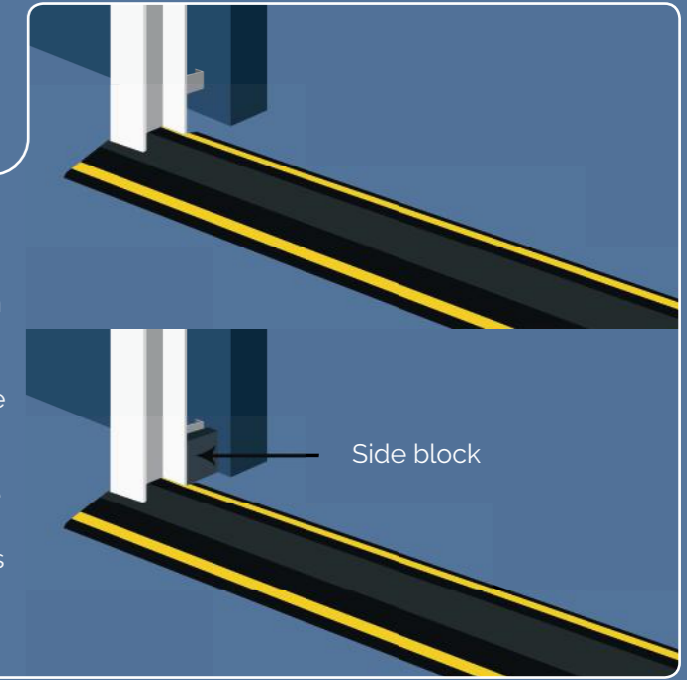
Note: It may be necessary to adjust the garage door side locks or the electric garage door opener due to a change in the door's position after installation. Please refer to your original manufacturer's guidelines.

Important: Once fitted allow 24 hours before driving over the Garadam threshold. It is also recommended to test the installation using a bucket of water or a hosepipe to check for water ingress.

Step Ten (Optional)

For doors with open side tracks, the side blocks that have been supplied should be inserted into the space between the wall and the track to prevent water ingress.

- Measure the distance between the wall and the garage door track
- Cut the side block to size using a sharp utility knife
- Using the supplied adhesive, stick the side block to the concrete floor. Ensure that both the wall and the door track are coated in adhesive using the same method as Step Six.
- Seal around any edges as required



Step Eleven (Optional)

If you are installing the GARADAM further back behind the tracks, it is recommended to purchase the GARADAM Foam Side Blocks to prevent water building up and spilling over the sides of the GARADAM.

One side of the side block is contoured to ensure a tight fit with the GARADAM. It is this side that should be in contact with the seal.

The side block should be attached to the GARADAM using the adhesive supplied with the Garadam threshold. You should mark out on the Garadam threshold where the side block will go with a pen, and then apply the adhesive in a zigzag pattern.

The side block should be placed into position and pushed down firmly to ensure a tight fit.

The side block can be cut using a sharp knife/hacksaw if it needs to be altered to fit around the tracks.