



New Tech Coming to the Bathroom Space

In the last couple of years, lots of new technology to upgrade the bathroom has been released. More and more customers are getting over fears of adding electrical components in the bathroom and jumping on the high-tech bandwagon. The new technology creates a more aesthetically pleasing and a functional bathroom. Voice command, a huge step for tech in bathrooms, can take the bath to the ultimate level of ease, with everything set to personal specifications. Water temperature, timing, and light level can be all customized using the Kohler Konnect app and Amazon Alexa. You can ask the Verdera Mirror with Alexa "What is the weather today" as you brush your hair. Or even better, say "Start Spa Night" and the Veil Lighted Collection, a completely connected bathroom suite, will create the perfect for setting for your bath.



The Veil Lighted Collection

Kohler Konnect is “One app for everything.” The app allows the customer to control all their Kohler products from one easy location. All these products, controlled through the app, besides looking cool, make daily life easier for the customer. Motion-activated light and night settings for light make the bathroom safer and better for sleep rhythms. Additionally, the app allows you to monitor water use levels and energy usage.

As an installer, you will need to be ready to accommodate these requests. As for the customers who have not yet discovered the new options, it would be smart to recommend adding the outlets needed if they want to add tech in the future. Plan to have more time scheduled for your electrician on projects and be ready to answer questions like “What if the power goes out?” or “What is the warranty on the tech?” Also, you may need to plan time in to set up the user interfaces for the customer.

Soon, the tech trend will be taking over every fixture in the bathroom, from the toilet to the mirror. Each item will require different installation needs.

The Intelligent toilet or Cleansing seat:

As more and more Americans pick up the bidet trend from Japan and Europe, expect to install a GFCI outlet behind all toilets. Customers will appreciate having the option available, even if they are not adding an intelligent toilet now. Intelligent toilets have an emergency flush override that can cover up to 100 flushes in a power outage.



The Lit Vanity



Robern and Kohler both offer vanities with interior lighting, or bar lighting to offer extra ambient lighting. Inside the vanities, power strips can be added to keep plugs off the wall.

The Verdera Voice and Lighted Mirror

The new Verdera Voice Lighted Mirror has an integrated Amazon Alexa and will be available soon with Google home. With the integrated Alexa, customers can control all of their Kohler Konnect products by voice. It is recommended to be installed with a dimmer, so customers can adjust the lighting to different needs. A motion-activated

nightlight adds safety. The mirror is easy to install - one electrical line through the top plugs into the control module for all features.



The “Perfect Fill” Faucet:

Coming soon from Kohler, again using Kohler Konnect, customers will be able to use voice command to tell a tub filler to fill to their personal settings, both temperature and water level. Electronic faucets have a 5-year warranty. These faucets can also function with hand controls during a power outage.

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