



## INTERSTYLE GLASS TILE – OVERSIZED POOL TILE LIABILITY WAIVER

Project Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Project Location: \_\_\_\_\_

Customer/Company: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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### Background:

Interstyle Ceramic & Glass Ltd. ("Interstyle") has been a trusted manufacturer of glass tile products since the mid-1980s. Our tiles are widely used in swimming pools and water features, including projects with customized aesthetic and dimensional requirements. While Interstyle adheres to industry best practices and quality standards, we acknowledge that some customers and designers request tile sizes larger than those recommended by established industry guidelines.

### Acknowledgment of Risk:

Larger glass tiles, while visually appealing due to reduced grout lines, are more susceptible to stress-related cracking or damage in pool applications due to several contributing factors, including but not limited to:

- Structural movement of the pool shell due to ground shifting, hydrostatic pressure, or empty pool conditions
- Substrate deflection or improper preparation
- Expansion and contraction due to thermal cycling or water pressure fluctuations
- Differential movement between the tile, thin-set mortar, and substrate

The **Tile Council of North America (TCNA)** and the **American National Standards Institute (ANSI)**, in **ANSI A137.1: Specifications for all Ceramic Tile (including Glass Tile)**, specify that for submerged applications such as pools, **tiles should not exceed 2 inches (50 mm) in any one direction**, unless validated through project-specific performance testing. This size limit is recommended to accommodate the expected movement and stresses typical in these environments.

Despite these published recommendations, the undersigned has requested the supply of tiles **larger than 2 inches** in size for this project.

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### **Waiver of Liability:**

By signing below, the undersigned:

1. **Acknowledges** that tile breakage in submerged environments, particularly swimming pools, can result from conditions unrelated to the tile quality, including but not limited to structural and environmental forces.
  2. **Confirms** understanding that the requested tiles exceed the dimensional guidelines established in **ANSI A137.1** for submerged applications.
  3. **Assumes full responsibility** for any cracking, delamination, or failure of tile materials related to substrate movement, hydrostatic pressure, or other structural or environmental stresses.
  4. **Waives and releases** Interstyle, its officers, employees, agents, affiliates, and successors from any and all liability, claims, demands, or causes of action arising out of or related to the performance of oversized tiles in submerged or wet applications.
  5. **Acknowledges** this waiver has been voluntarily signed with full understanding of the risks and the opportunity to consult with independent experts or legal counsel.
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### **Signatures:**

#### **Authorized Representative (Customer):**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

#### **Interstyle Representative:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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