

How the Shower Works:

Firstly, please note that the showers in Gort na Coiribe are not instant heating showers – the hot water supply comes from a Hot Water Heating Tank, also known as an Immersion. The control panel for the Immersion is in a cupboard at the top of the stairs in the larger apartments, and in a cupboard in the hallway of the smaller apartments. Please refer to the 'Instructions for Water Heater' for an explanation on how this works.

The showers in Gort na Coiribe have motors that are electrically powered so as soon as you push the start button you should instantly hear the motor running. There is a chord hanging from the ceiling which controls the power supply to the shower – if you press the start button and the motor does not start instantly, try pulling this chord as it may simply be that the main power supply has been turned off. Pull the chord gently until you hear a click. It is the same action to turn on this main power supply as it is to turn it off.

This is the most frequent mistake that residents make so if the shower does not appear to be working, 9 times out of 10, this is the solution.

Switches on the wall outside the bathroom:

There are three switches on the wall outside the bathroom door – the single switch is for the wall heater in the bathroom; the double switch – one is for the light and one is for the extractor fan.

Bathroom Wall Heater: Some of the bathroom wall heaters are controlled only from this switch; others have a pull-string on the heater itself which must be pulled in addition to the outer switch being turned on.

Extractor Fan: IT IS ESSENTIAL that the extractor fan is left on for at least 15 minutes after you have had a shower to remove the moisture from the air. If you turn off the fan as soon as you leave the bathroom the moisture will condense, and you will end up with mould on your ceiling.