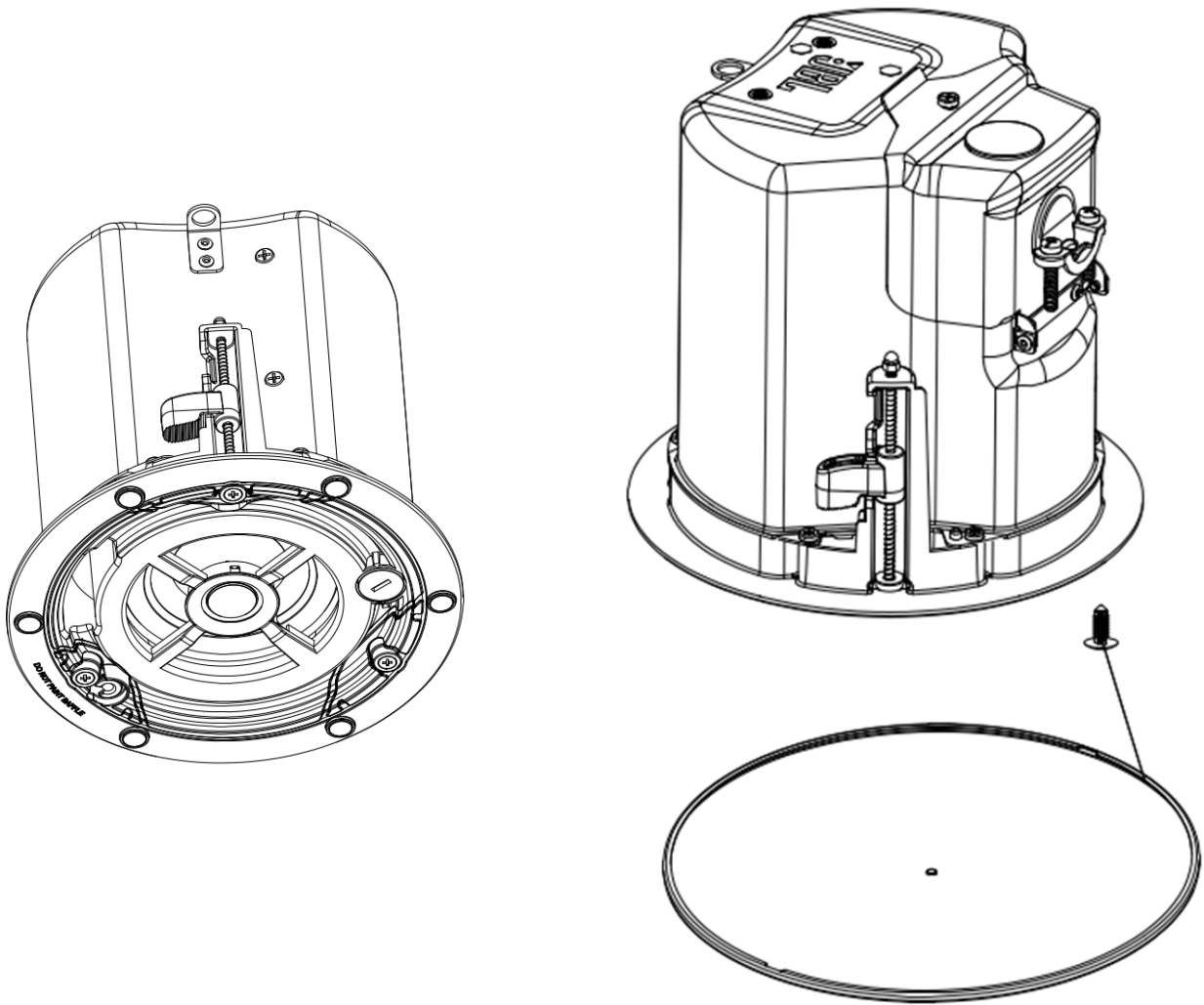


JBL Control 400 Standard Coverage series Ceiling Loudspeakers

Control 412C/T, Control 414C/T, Control 416C/T, Control 418C/T,
Control 412C/T-VA, Control 414C/T-VA, Control 416C/T-VA



Owner's Manual



1. IMPORTANT SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

LOOK FOR THESE SYMBOLS:



Read the manual before use.



The lightning flash with arrowhead symbol within an equilateral triangle is intended to alert the user to the presence of uninsulated “dangerous voltage” within the product’s enclosure that may be of sufficient magnitude to constitute a risk of electrical shock to persons.



The exclamation point, within an equilateral triangle, is intended to alert the user to the presence of important operating and maintenance (servicing) instructions in the literature accompanying the product.



High sound pressure. Hearing damage risk.

WARNING: To be installed only by instructed or skilled persons using Harman approved mounting hardware and safeguards.

1. **READ, KEEP, and FOLLOW** all instructions. **HEED** all warnings.
2. Install and operate only as instructed to avoid creating a safety hazard.
3. This product is not intended for use in high-moisture or extended/intense sunlight (UV) environments. If exposure to these conditions is expected, cover the product appropriately or remove it from the environment.
4. Clean only with a dry cloth.
5. Ensure all equipment is **OFF** before making or breaking any connections.
6. Secure the speaker grill in place before powering the apparatus or putting it into service.
7. Refer all servicing to qualified service personnel. Servicing is required if the apparatus has been damaged in any way, such as by liquid or objects within the enclosure, exposure to rain or moisture, abnormal operation, or being dropped.
8. **DO NOT** install near any heat or flame sources.
9. Only use attachments/accessories specified by the manufacturer.
10. The Ingress Protection rating is dependent on additional hardware, thoroughly review those installation instructions before operating the product.

WEEE NOTICE:



This product must not be disposed of or dumped with your other household waste. You are liable to dispose of all your electronic or electrical waste equipment by relocating over to the specified collection point for recycling of such hazardous waste. Isolated collection and proper recovery of your electronic and electrical waste equipment at the time of disposal will allow us to help conserving natural resources. Moreover, proper recycling of electronic and electrical waste equipment will ensure the safety of human health and the environment. For more information about electronic and electrical waste equipment disposal, recovery, and collection points, please contact your local city center, household waste disposal service, shop from where you purchased the equipment, or manufacturer of the equipment.

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2. PRODUCT DESCRIPTIONS

Thank you for purchasing JBL Control 400 Standard Coverage series Ceiling Loudspeakers.

Read through this manual to familiarize yourself with the features, applications and precautions before you use these products.

The JBL Control 400 Standard Coverage series Ceiling Loudspeakers utilize innovative design and materials to provide premium level performance from compact in-ceiling speakers.

Control 412C/T is a full-range compact ceiling speaker with 3" wide-bandwidth driver. The speaker can be set for low-impedance (8Ω) operation or can be driven by either a 70V or 100V distributed speaker line. (SKU# is JBL-C412C/T)

Control 414C/T is a two-way coaxial full-range ceiling speaker with 4" woofer and ¾" tweeter. The speaker can be set for low-impedance (8Ω) operation or can be driven by either a 70V or 100V distributed speaker line. (SKU# is JBL-C414C/T)

Control 416C/T is a two-way coaxial full-range ceiling speaker with 6.5" woofer and ¾" tweeter. The speaker can be set for low-impedance (8Ω) operation or can be driven by either a 70V or 100V distributed speaker line. (SKU# is JBL-C416C/T)

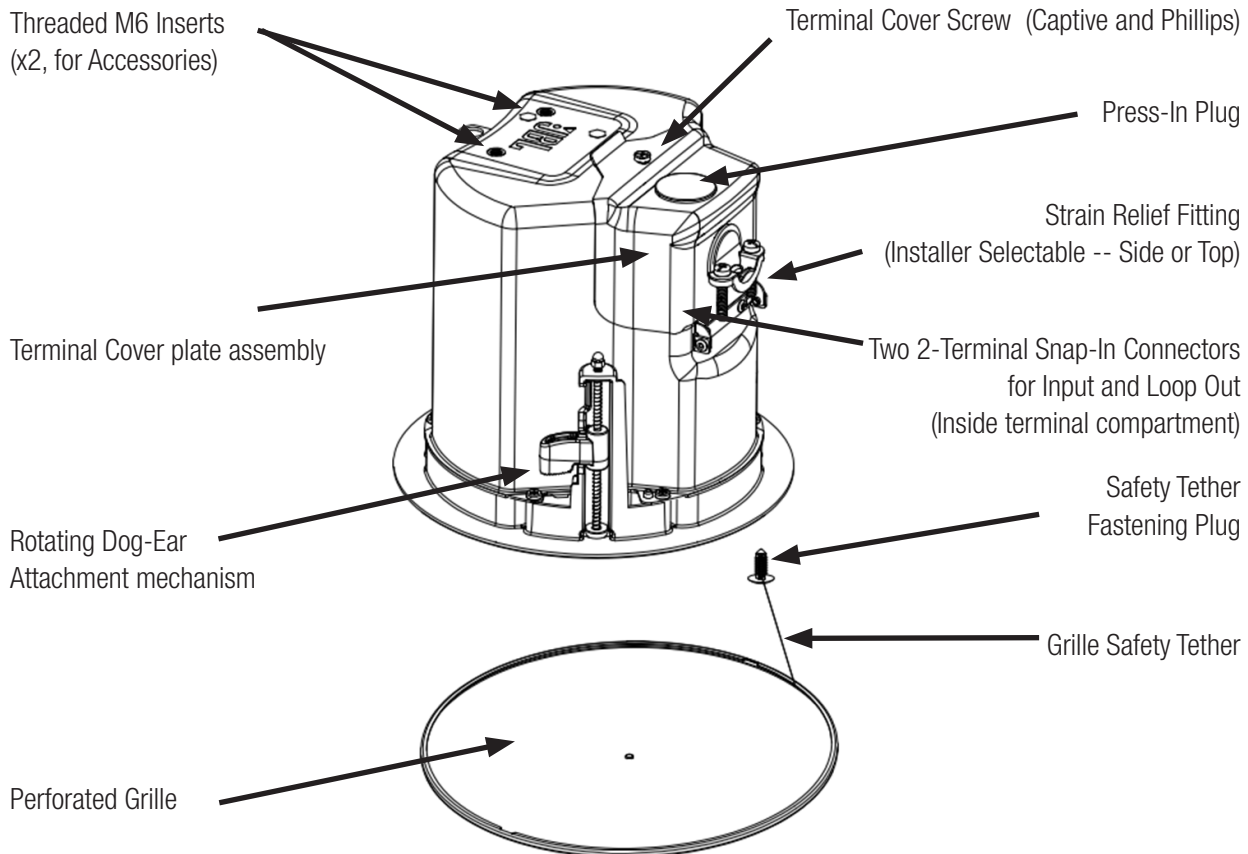
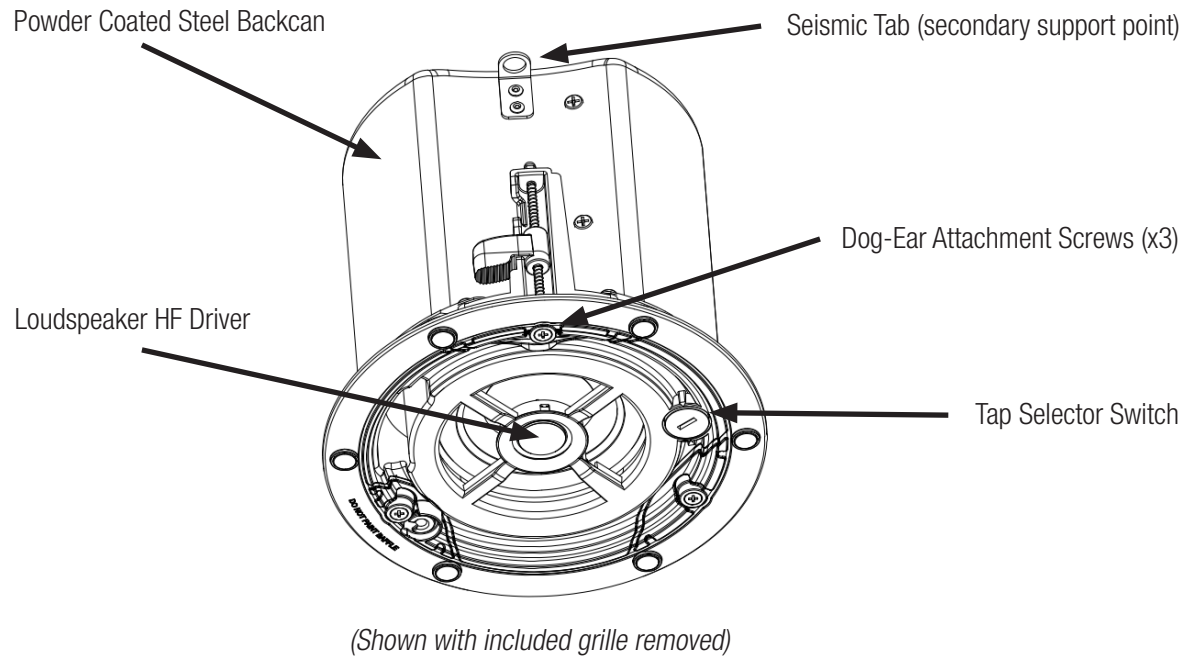
Control 418C/T is a two-way coaxial full-range ceiling speaker with 8" woofer and 1" tweeter. The speaker can be set for low-impedance (8Ω) operation or can be driven by either a 70V or 100V distributed speaker line. (SKU# is JBL-C418C/T)

Control 412C/T-VA is a life-safety version of the Control 412C/T that, in addition to being compliant with UL1480A Speakers for Commercial and Professional Use (which all the speakers in this series are), is also compliant with **EN54-24 Fire Detection and Fire Alarm Systems**. (SKU# is JBL-C412C/T-VA)

Control 414C/T-VA is a life-safety version of the Control 414C/T that, in addition to being compliant with UL1480A Speakers for Commercial and Professional Use (which all the speakers in this series are), is also compliant with **EN54-24 Fire Detection and Fire Alarm Systems**. (SKU# is JBL-C414C/T-VA)

Control 416C/T-VA is a life-safety version of the Control 416C/T that, in addition to being compliant with UL1480A Speakers for Commercial and Professional Use (which all the speakers in this series are), is also compliant with **EN54-24 Fire Detection and Fire Alarm Systems**. (SKU# is JBL-C416C/T-VA)

3. PRODUCT FEATURE IDENTIFICATION



4. INSTALLATION PREPARATIONS

The entire installation can be accomplished, if necessary, without requiring access above the ceiling. Bracketry for use with either suspended ceilings or sheetrock ceilings is included. The speaker is held securely in place via “dog-ear” mounting tabs which lock into place. Inputs and loop outs to the next speaker are attached to snap-in-place connector (included) which can be prewired before installing the speaker for ultra-fast snap-on installation.

OPTIONAL PRE-INSTALLATION BRACKETS

IN MOST CASES, NO BRACKETS OTHER THAN THE ONES INCLUDED WITH YOUR SPEAKER ARE REQUIRED.

Everything needed for most installations of these loudspeakers is provided with your Control Contractor ceiling speaker.

However, a particular procedure that is sometimes used for installation into sheet rock (typically gypsum board) can be facilitated by the use of JBL’s optional pre-installation brackets **before the sheetrock is installed**. The pre-installation bracket provides a bracket to which wiring can be strapped in-place behind the sheetrock. It can function as a cutout template when many cutouts are to be made in a production-line style installation. And it can reserve a location in the ceiling prior to the sheetrock getting installed. Two types of pre-installation brackets are available from JBL Professional as optional accessories:

1. The optional **NC NEW-CONSTRUCTION BRACKET** is made of flat sheet metal, with wings to attach to the building structure. Holes are drilled for nails or screws at 16 inches (406 mm) and 24 inches (610 mm) on-center. Additional holes can be drilled by the installer at other spacings up to a maximum of 24-3/4 inches (630 mm) apart. Sheet rock installs after the bracket gets installed, and the bracket provides a template for blind cutout of the hole in the sheet rock. For this process, the sheet rock is typically cut with a router-type cutting tool, using the bracket ring as a cutout guide.

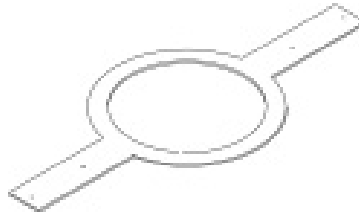


Figure 1:

Optional NC New -Construction Bracket

2. The optional **MR PLASTER-RING BRACKET** (or “Mud Ring”) contains a circular offset, forming an edge guide for sheet rock plastering. The bracket has wings that attach to the building structure. Sheet rock is typically either precut or cut with a rotary cutting tool using the outside of the plaster ring circle as a guide. The sheet rock hole is then plastered (or “mudded”) up to the ring to create a seamless cutout.

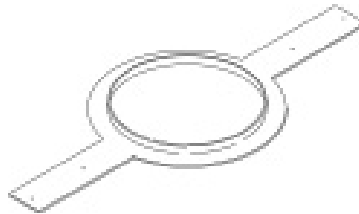


Figure 2:

Optional MR (“Mud Ring”) Plaster Ring Bracket

Table 1: Pre-Installation Brackets

| Model | New Construction Bracket | Plaster-Ring Bracket |
|---|--------------------------|----------------------|
| Control 412C/T, Control 414C/T, Control 412C/T-VA, Control 414C/T-VA | JBL-MTC-424NC | JBL-MTC-424MR |
| Control 416C/T, Control 416C/T-VA | JBL-MTC-426NC | JBL-MTC-426MR |
| Control 418C/T | JBL-MTC-447NC | JBL-MTC-447MR |

USING INCLUDED C-BRACKET WITH SHEETROCK

For most installations, the INCLUDED C-shaped backing plate provides adequate reinforcement to the ceiling material, distributing out the clamping force from the dogears. Even if one of the dogears lands on the opening between ends of the C, the rest of the dogears will land on it, so will be sufficient support for sheetrock installations.

CEILING CUTOUT SIZES

Packaged with the speakers are cardboard cutout templates for scribing the cutout hole onto your ceiling surface.

Table 2: Cutout Sizes

| Model | Cutout Size (diameter) |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------|
| Control 412C/T, Control 412C/T-VA | 168 mm (6.6 in) |
| Control 414C/T, Control 414C/T-VA | 168 mm (6.6 in) |
| Control 416C/T, Control 416C/T-VA | 223 mm (8.8 in) |
| Control 418C/T | 282 mm (11.1 in) |

OPTIONAL BG (black) and SG (square) GRILLES

Optional round black and white square grilles are available. The **JBL-MTC-xxxBG** grilles are round Black Grilles that can be utilized instead of the included stock white grille when black is called for. Alternatively, the stock white grille can be painted (see below). The **JBL-MTC-xxxSG** are white Square Grilles that can be utilized instead of the included stock grille when a square grille is desired. These grilles can be painted to the desired color (including black). These grilles completely cover the speaker assembly.

| Model | Black Round Grilles | Square Grilles |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------|----------------|
| Control 412C/T, Control 412C/T-VA | JBL-MTC-414BG | JBL-MTC-414SG |
| Control 414C/T, Control 414C/T-VA | JBL-MTC-414BG | JBL-MTC-414SG |
| Control 416C/T, Control 416C/T-VA | JBL-MTC-416BG | JBL-MTC-416SG |
| Control 418C/T | JBL-MTC-418BG | JBL-MTC-418SG |

5. STEP-BY-STEP INSTALLATION AND WIRING

The installation system has been designed so that the entire installation can be accomplished from beneath the ceiling for instances when access above the tile is not possible or practical. However, in some cases it may be easier -- with removable ceiling tiles, for example -- to access from both the top and bottom of the ceiling tile during various phases of the installation.

Note: the wiring method shall be in accordance with:

(1) In Canada, CSA C22.1, Canadian Electrical Code, Part I, Safety Standard for Electrical Installations, Section 32

(2) In the United States, NFPA 70.

Step 1 – Cut the Hole. Cutout the hole size either by tracing the included cardboard cutout template or by scribing a hole using the cutout size chart above. Use a safe tool such as a jigsaw to cut the hole and proper eye protection. Be precise, not deviating from the cutout diameter by more than 1/16th of an inch (1.5 mm). Pull the wiring through the cutout hole.

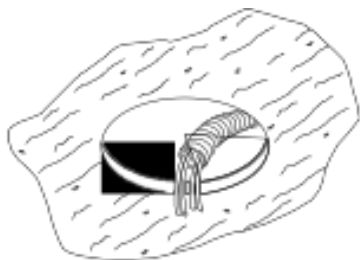


Figure 3:
Hole Cutout
(Shown: Wire in flex conduit)

Step 2 – Insert Backing Hardware Through the Hole. Packaged with the speakers are two types of backing hardware – a C-shaped backing-plate (“C-ring”) bracket and two tile rails.

Suspended Ceilings – Insert the C-ring through the hole cut in the ceiling tile (or set it in place from above the ceiling, if there is access). Place the C-ring around the hole with the tabs located as shown on Figure 4. Insert the tile rails through the cut hole in the ceiling tile. Snap the two rails into the two tabs in the C-plate and align the rails so

that the ends extend OVER the T-channel grid on the side of the tile. Secure the rails onto the C-ring tabs by inserting a screw through each tab into the rail. This can all be accomplished from below the ceiling tile, if necessary.

FOR SAFETY: IMPORTANT TO USE BRACKETS

ALL included support brackets – C-ring and tile rails -- MUST be used when installing into suspended ceiling tiles.

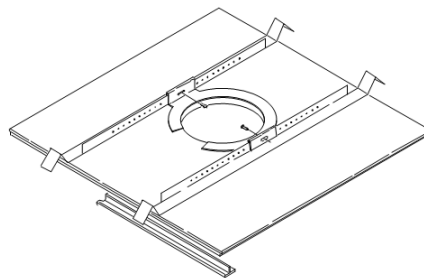


Figure 4:
C-Bracket and Tile Rail Positioning on Ceiling Tile

Tile Rails: The tile rails are designed to fit either standard 24-inch-wide tiles or 600-mm-wide tiles. The tile rail pieces do NOT physically attach to the T-grid struts. Instead, the inverted-V shape at the ends of the rails sits ABOVE the T-grid strut. During normal operation, the rails are supported by the edge of the tile. In the unlikely event that the tile comes out or falls apart, the ends of the support rails are designed to catch onto the T-grid, providing secure support to hold the loudspeaker assembly in place.

Optional accessory Tile rails JBL-MTC-48TRX4 (Pack of 4 Tile Rails) are also available for installation into larger 4' x 4' (1200 x 1200 mm) ceiling tiles.

Vibration Reduction: These loudspeakers can generate substantial audio output, which can cause buzzing of the ceiling materials or structure. Depending on the character of the ceiling tile and structure, the installer might need to place neoprene or other dampening material under the tile rails or the edges of the tiles to eliminate rattles.

Cutout Placement: The tile rails are pre-punched with attachment holes along their length. Placement is not limited to the center of the tile as is the case with many other tile rail support systems.

Non-Suspended Ceiling Types – For non-suspended ceiling types, the C-ring can be optionally used by itself to shore up the ceiling material and to spread out the clamping force from the tab clamps. Insert the C-ring through the cut hole in the ceiling and place it on the top side of the hole before inserting the speaker.

Step 3 – Plugging connectors into connector sockets in the speaker's terminal cup.

Fully loosen the captive TERMINAL COVER retaining screw that is on the top panel of the backcan. This screw remains captive in the terminal cover (do not fully remove it).

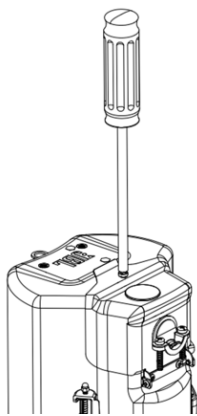


Figure 5:
Fully loosen the captive TERMINAL COVER screw

Open the TERMINAL COVER – The TERMINAL COVER hinge is on the side panel of the backcan for Control 412C/T, Control 412C/T-VA, Control 414C/T and Control 414C/T-VA.

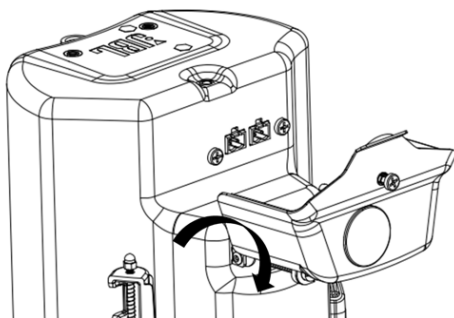


Figure 6A: Opening TERMINAL COVER
(Control 414C/T shown)

The TERMINAL COVER hinge is on the top panel of the backcan for Control 416C/T, Control 416C/T-VA and Control 418C/T.

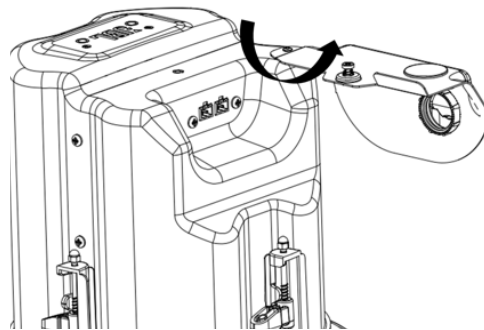


Figure 6C: Opening TERMINAL COVER
(Control 416C/T shown)

STRAIN RELIEF Location – To keep the speaker as shallow as possible, the default STRAIN RELIEF location – i.e., the wire exit – comes installed on the side of the backcan for Control 412C/T, Control 414C/T, Control 416C/T and Control 418C/T.

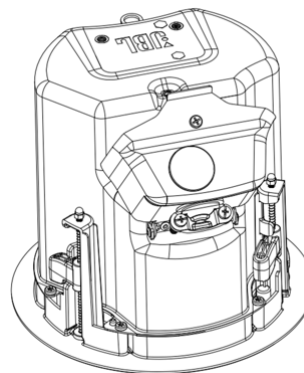


Figure 7: Strain relief on the side by default

However, optionally, if the installer wants the STRAIN RELIEF to be on the top panel of the backcan instead of on the side panel, follow these instructions:

OPTIONAL: MOVING STRAIN RELIEF TO TOP PANEL (For Non-VA Models)

[Optional Steps for Moving Strain Relief to Top Panel]

There are two same-diameter holes in the terminal cover, one on the top panel and one on the side panel. From the factory, the top hole is fitted with a PRESS-IN Plug and the side hole has the STRAIN RELIEF assembly. To swap them, open the terminal cover and press out the PRESS-IN PLUG (retain it for later).

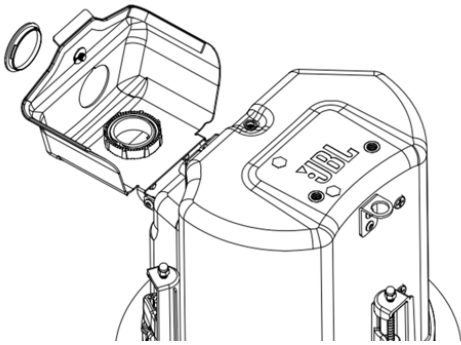


Figure 8: Push out the PRESS-IN PLUG

[Optional Steps for Moving Strain Relief to Top Panel]

From the inside of the TERMINAL COVER, unscrew the nut holding the STRAIN RELIEF.

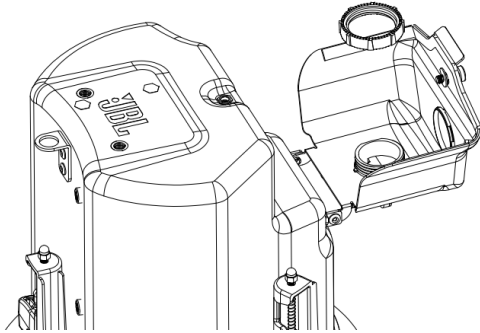


Figure 9: Unscrew the NUT

[Optional Steps for Moving Strain Relief to Top Panel]

Insert the STRAIN RELIEF into the top hole of the TERMINAL COVER. Tighten the nut holding the STRAIN RELIEF assembly.

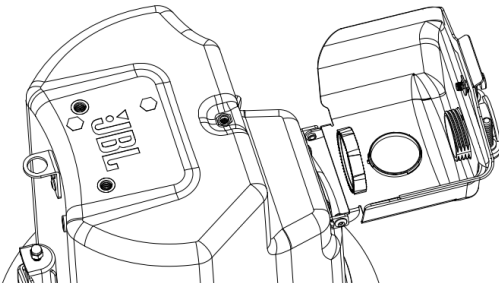


Figure 10: Move the strain relief to the top and lock it

[Optional Steps for Moving Strain Relief to Top Panel]

Insert the PRESS-IN PLUG into the side hole in the TERMINAL COVER.

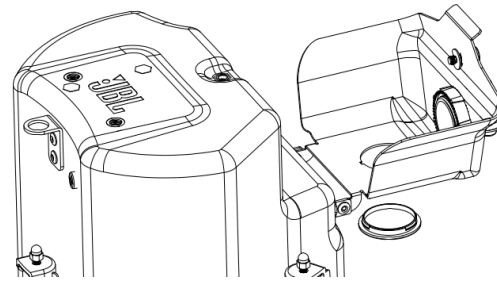


Figure 11: Insert the PRESS-IN PLUG

For Control 412C/T-VA, Control 414C/T-VA and Control 416C/T-VA there are two holes on top panel of the terminal cover. One is covered with a PRESS-IN PLUG.

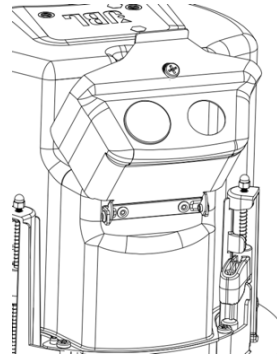


Figure 11A: Two holes on top by default

Install the Glandnut in the open hole. Make sure the Glandnut is affixed and tightened properly. A second Glandnut (not included) can be installed at the other hole (after removing the PRESS-IN PLUG) if two Glandnuts are desired.

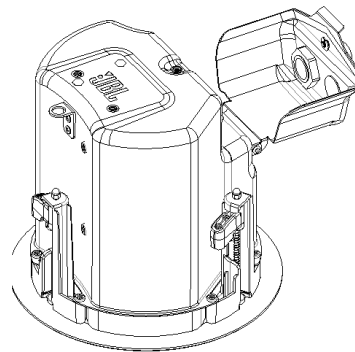


Figure 11B: Install Glandnut in the open hole

Step 4.1 – Connect the Wiring to the Removable Locking Connector(s) (For Control 412C/T, Control 414C/T, Control 416C/T and Control 418C/T) – Two 2-pin removable locking connectors are included with the speaker – one for IN and the other for LOOP OUT. Connect the wiring to the removable locking connectors by stripping the insulation back about 5 mm (about 3/16 inch) – stripping the wire longer risks shorting and stripping the wire shorter risks a poor connection to the connector. Insert the bare end of wire into the connector and screw down the hold-down screw until tight using a small flat blade screwdriver. Tighten any unused screws to avoid vibration. Double-check that the wires are not frayed, and that bare wire is not exposed (either of which can lead to shorting between the wires).

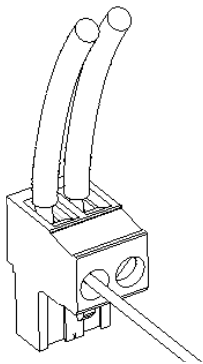


Figure 12: Connecting Wires to Removeable Locking Connector (Shown with individual un-jacketed wires, with 2 input wires)

Guide to the Pins for Connection -- The 2 removable locking input connectors contain 2 terminals each. The pin functions are listed on the label located on the terminal cover plate.

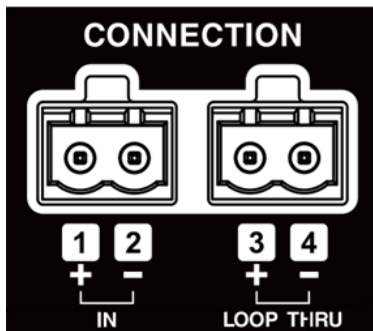


Figure 13: Connector Pins (Control 418C/T Shown)

Pins 1 & 2 (on one of the 2-pin connectors) are the “+” and “-” inputs to the loudspeaker. Pins 3 & 4 are connected to pins 1 & 2, respectively (Pin 1 connects to Pin 3 and Pin 2 connects

to Pin 4) inside the speaker. Pins 3 & 4 are the loop-through connections to subsequent loudspeakers.

For connecting subsequent speakers, connect the wire pair of the subsequent speaker to pins 3 & 4 (LOOP THRU).

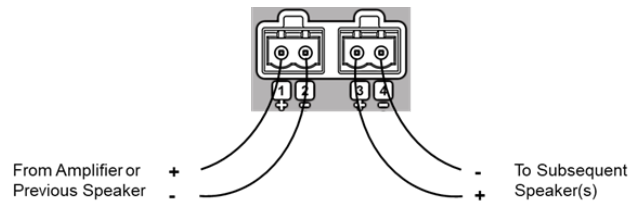


Figure 13: Connector Pins

Slide the already-wired 2-pin connector(s) through the STRAIN RELIEF

Connect speaker wire to 2-pin connectors(s)

- Wiring Connector(s) – Connect speaker wire to connectors, observing proper +/- polarity and making sure there are no frayed strands of wire or excessive exposed conductors exposed that could short together.

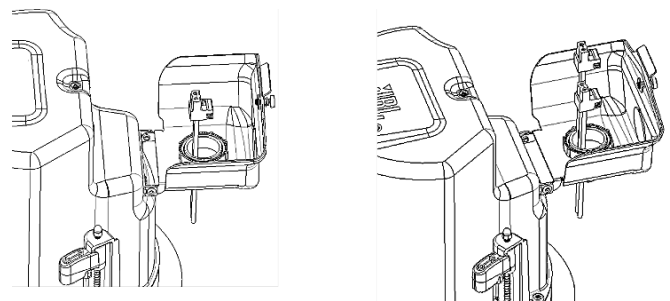


Figure 14: Slide connectors through strain relief

- If IP33 rating is desired, then use Rubber Boot(s) and follow these instructions:

[Optional steps for Connect the Wiring to the Removable Locking Connector(s)]

Slide wire through strain relief from external to internal.

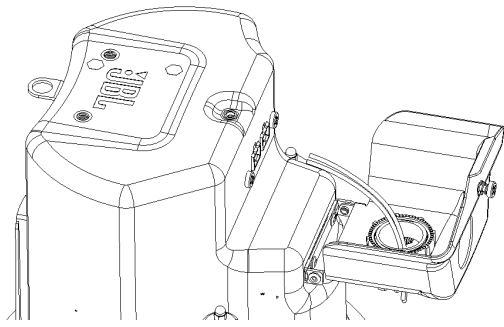


Figure 15: Slide wire through strain relief

[Optional steps for Connect the Wiring to the Removable Locking Connector(s)]

Slide wire through the rubber boot from the small square opening and out from the other opening.

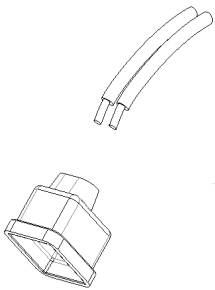


Figure 16: Slide the wire through the rubber boot

[Optional steps for Connect the Wiring to the Removable Locking Connector(s)]

Connect wire cord to the connector.

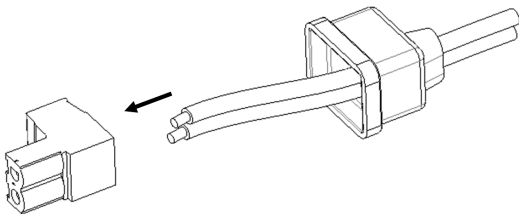


Figure 17: Connect wire cord to the connector

[Optional steps for Connect the Wiring to the Removable Locking Connector(s)]

Lock the connector with screwdriver.

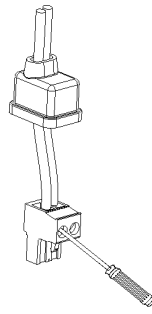


Figure 18: Lock the connector with screwdriver

[Optional steps for Connect the Wiring to the Removable Locking Connector(s)]

Slide Rubber boot close to the plug.

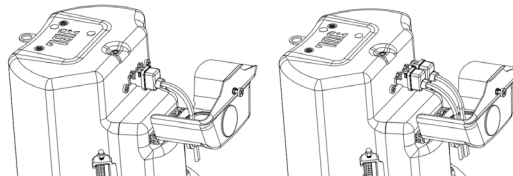


Figure 19: Slide Rubber boot close to the plug

[Optional steps for Connect the Wiring to the Removable Locking Connector(s)]

Add silicone glue on the opening of Rubber boot as shown to seal the joint.

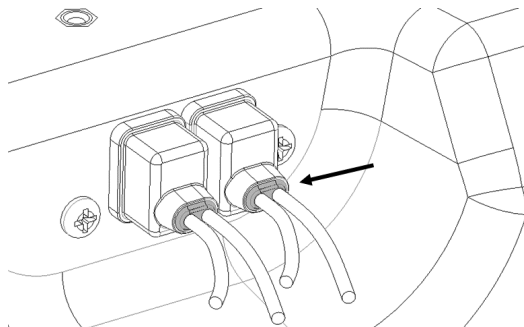


Figure 19A: Add silicone glue

Step 4.2 – Connect the Wiring to the Removable Locking Connector(s) (For Control 412C/T-VA, Control 414C/T-VA and Control 416C/T-VA) – There is a Ceramic Terminal Block attached to the speaker. Strip the insulation back about 5 mm (about 3/16 inch). Do NOT strip wires back any longer than this. Insert the bare end of wire fully into the connector (not allowing any bare wire outside of connector). Only utilize the side of the terminal where there aren't already wires connected.

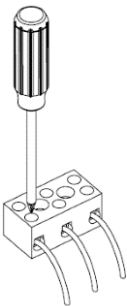


Figure 19A: Connecting wires to the Ceramic terminal block (Note that the right-hand wire shown in diagram is optional. It only needs to be connected if the chassis of the

Add a second set of wires in parallel to the same terminals if a second wire is utilized for looping to another loudspeaker. Screw the hold-down screw until tight using a small Philips-type screwdriver. Tighten any unused screws to avoid rattling from vibration.

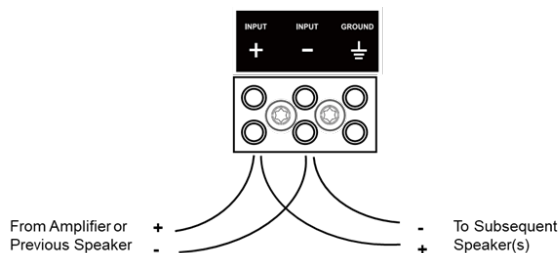


Figure 19B: Connecting two sets of wires to the Ceramic Terminal Block for loop-out to a subsequent loudspeaker.

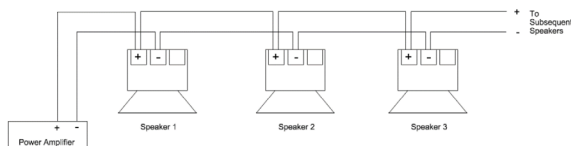


Figure 19C: Paralleling connections to multiple speakers for 70V or 100V distributed speaker systems.

Guide to the Pins for Connection -- The Ceramic Terminal Block contains 3 terminals, as marked on the connector as

+ INPUT, - INPUT and GROUND.

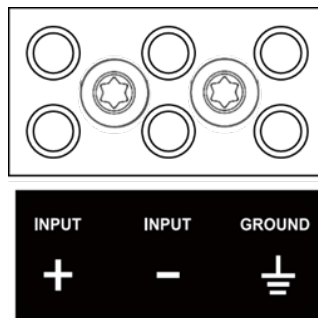


Figure 19D: Terminals

Step 5 – Plug the already-wired 2-pin connector(s) into the 2-pin SOCKET(S) – Observe proper plus and minus polarity and orient the connectors in accordance with the label.

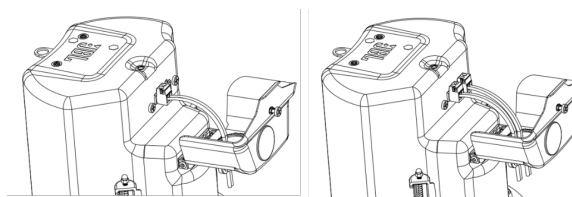


Figure 20: Plug connectors into the sockets if no rubber boots [Optional Steps for Moving Strain Relief to Top Panel]

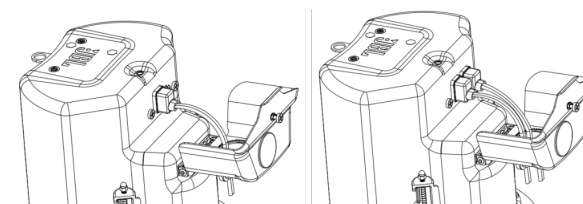


Figure 21: Plug connectors into the sockets and move the rubber boot to cover the connectors if rubber boots are used

Step 6 – Close and Secure TERMINAL COVER – Close the terminal cover and secure it with the screw that is captive in the TERMINAL COVER.

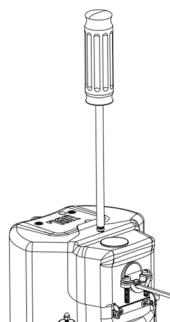


Figure 22: Closing TERMINAL COVER and tightening the screw

Step 7 – Tighten STRAIN RELIEF clamping mechanism

with the included 2 screws.

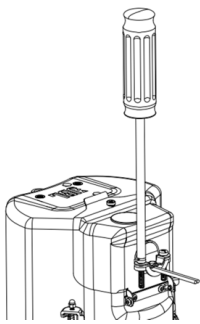


Figure 23: Tightening the Strain Relief Clamping Mechanism (Shown with STRAIN RELIEF on the side location and with unjacketed wires)



IMPORTANT:

Always follow building codes and regulations for the area and type of construction.

Step 8 – Insert the Speaker into the Ceiling and Tighten.

Insert the speaker into the ceiling cutout as far as it goes, until the back of the front baffle rim touches the ceiling.

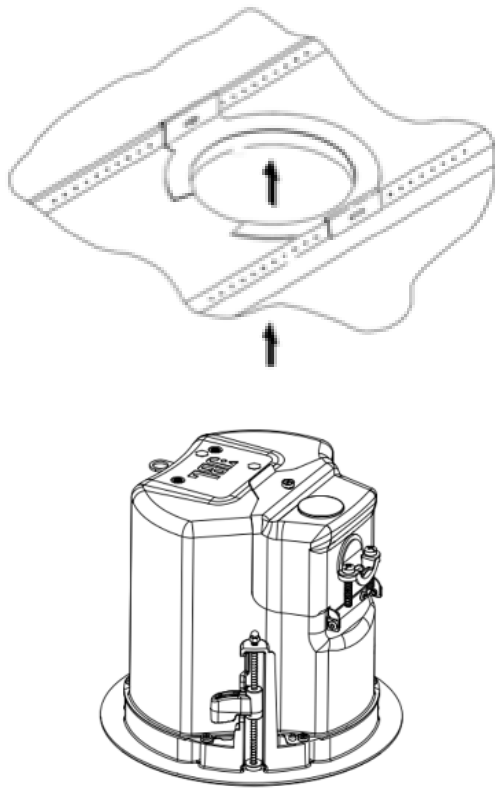


Figure 24: Insert Speaker through Ceiling Cutout

Tighten Dogears -- IMPORTANT -- For each attachment

screw, FIRST turn ½ turn COUNTER-CLOCKWISE to release the dog-ear mounting tab from its storage location.

Then tighten the mounting tabs by turning the screw CLOCKWISE until tight onto the top of the ceiling surface. Adjust the torque to meet the characteristics of the ceiling material **DO NOT OVERTIGHTEN.**

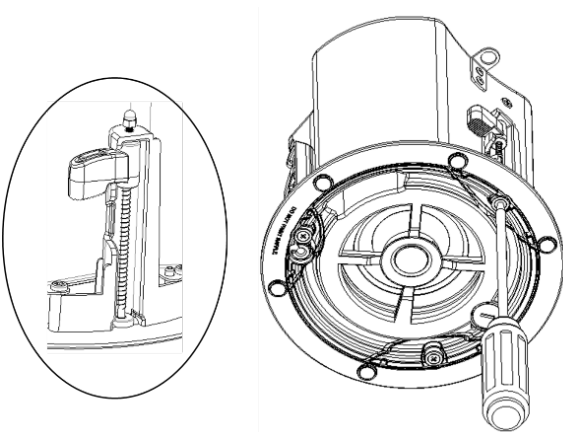


Figure 25: Tighten Dogear Mounting Tabs

Number of Dog-Ears, by Model

| Model | Number of Dog-Ear screws |
|--|--------------------------|
| Control 412C/T, Control 412C/T-VA, Control 414C/T, Control 414C/T-VA | 3 dog-ears |
| Control 416C/T, Control 416C/T-VA, Control 418C/T | 4 dog-ears |

For use in thick ceilings – By default, dogear tab is in the middle of the travel and for most ceiling depths it can be used as it is. For thick ceilings where the tabs need to be at their highest position, turn all the screws COUNTER-CLOCKWISE till the hard stop (while making sure the tab is not held in the middle), before inserting the speaker through the ceiling cutout.

When removing the speaker, rotate all the dogear screws in a COUNTER-CLOCKWISE direction until each screw stops. Once all the screws have reached a hard stop the dogears will be folded, and the speaker can be removed from the ceiling. Make sure to support the speaker when loosening the dogear screws to prevent speaker from falling.

Step 9 – Connect a Secondary Support Line to SEISMIC TAB – A tab is provided on the side of each speaker for

connection to an independent secondary support point. Some construction codes require using this secondary support point, which requires connecting a support line to a separate secure support point on the building structure. Consult construction codes in your region.

IMPORTANT:



Control Contractor ceiling speakers can generate substantial vibration. A secondary support cable to the seismic tab should be used as a secondary support point in case the ceiling tile or support structure breaks.

Step 10 – Adjust Tap Selector – The tap selector switch is located on the front baffle. Adjust the tap setting before placing the grille and before applying signal to the speaker. In some installations it is advisable to leave the grilles OFF to allow final adjustment of the taps for the system.

“NC” = No Connection. (Do not use this setting with a 100V distributed system)

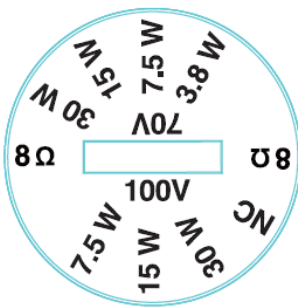


Figure 26: Tap Selector (Control 416C/T Shown)

Step 11 – Insert the safety Tether fastening plug and Attach the Grille – The grille comes with a safety tether tied to it. Insert the fastening plug at the open end of the tether (which comes pre-attached to the grille) into the included socket on the baffle. Make sure the plug is inserted completely in the socket and does protrude out blocking the grille from attaching properly.

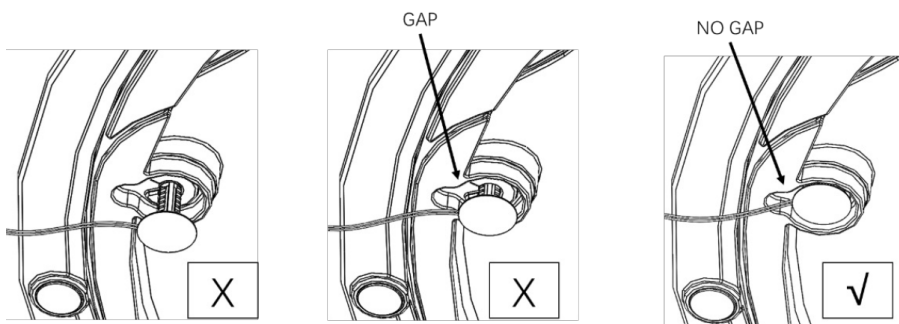


Figure 27: Ensure the plug is inserted fully

Then position the grill in front of the speaker, taking care not to run the tether cable directly in front of one of the drivers (or else it could buzz with vibration). Make sure the grille is held securely magnetically in place such that it will not loosen or fall due to vibration.

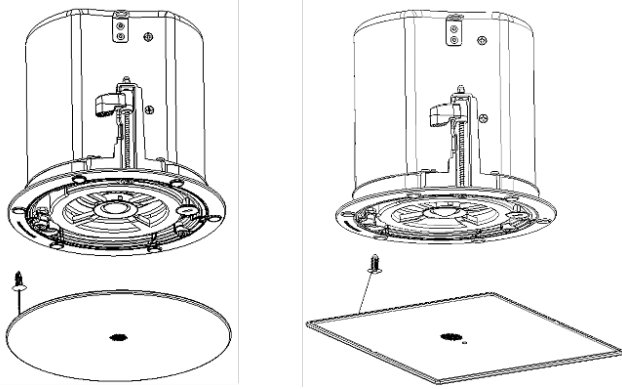


Figure 28: Attach the Grille

6. PAINTING THE GRILLE

IMPORTANT:



For Control 412C/T-VA, Control 414C/T-VA and Control 416C/T-VA (Life Safety models) – In order to maintain flammability rating DO NOT paint the grille or change factory applied finish.

For the other Control Contractor Standard Coverage Series models, the grille's white finish complements most decor and does not need further finishing. Where the interior design requires it, these grilles are easy to paint. The grille covers the entire speaker, so it can be painted prior to speaker installation.

IMPORTANT:



DO NOT paint the baffle of the speaker. Having paint between the magnet and the grille would diminish the ability of the magnets to hold the grille.

For best results, it is recommended to use the following procedure:

- Gently remove the grille backing material from the back of the grille without tearing it. Set it aside for re-application after painting. Either mask or remove the grille logo (for reapply after painting). Do NOT remove the edge trim.
- Clean the grille and edge trim with a light solvent such as mineral spirits by rubbing the item with a lightly dampened cloth. Do not, however, use abrasives such as sandpaper or steel wool (which can remove the grille's rust resistant plating). Do not use gasoline, kerosene, acetone, MEK, paint thinner, harsh detergents or other chemicals. Use of these cleaners may result in permanent damage to the grille assembly. Do not sand the grille.
- Spray one or more thin coats of paint. Be careful not to fill in the perforation holes (they are needed for the sound to go through – occluding them will harm the sound quality of the speaker).

- After the paint has thoroughly dried, reinstall the grille backing material to the back of the grille. If the grille backing has shrunk since removal, stretch it back to size to mask properly. If the grille backing has stretched since removal, trim to size.
- If the tackiness remaining on the back of the grille is not enough to securely hold the backing material in place (or if it got covered over by the paint), apply a very light coat of spray adhesive to the back of the grille.
- Lightly spray the adhesive to the BACK OF THE GRILLE rather than to the front of the backing material. If an adhesive says to spray both sides, use a different adhesive. Spraying adhesive on the front of the backing material can expose glue to the open air through the perforations, which can attract and hold dust from the air, impairing the clean look of the speaker.
- DO NOT place the front of grille on any surface where additional adhesive may have been sprayed. Doing so can deposit adhesive on the front of the grille surface, and similarly attract and hold dust and dirt.
- If the JBL logo was removed (rather than simply being masked), re-apply the JBL logo to the center of the grille. There is a shallow indent in the center of the grille to indicate where the logo goes.

Mask the Speaker If the Ceiling Gets Painted – The speaker itself should not be painted. The grille completely covers the speaker, and the speaker's front baffle is black to properly disappear visually behind the grille and grille backing material. If the ceiling gets painted after the speaker is in place, it's important to fully mask the speaker (including the edges of the baffle) prior to such painting so that no paint gets onto the drivers, or onto the baffle where any inconsistencies in color may be visible through the grille.

7. MAINTENANCE

No maintenance is required when installed in accordance with installation and wiring guidelines described in this manual.

8. REPLACEMENT PARTS



There are no user serviceable parts inside these speakers. Refer servicing to an authorized JBL Service Center. For the name of an authorized Service Center in your area, contact JBL Professional at the appropriate address from those listed on [page 5](#).

