# Akustika 25 Ceiling Installation Instructions

Interlock Mounting System Attachment

These installation recommendations consist of common-sense practices for installing ceiling panels and similar products. Installers should rely upon their own professional experience and understanding of their unique requirements to be the best guide to a successful installation.

### **Tools Needed**

Bar level or laser level

Carpenter's square

Drill

Stiff putty knife

Tape measure

Utility knife

Ceiling screws appropriate for ceiling type (not included)

#### Components

Panels with Interlock female mounts (as ordered)

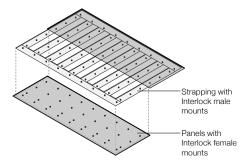
Strapping with Interlock male mounts

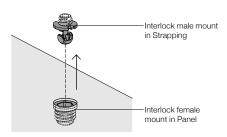
Strapping Map + Shop Drawing

#### Installation Instructions

- 1 Handle the panels keeping the felt faces together and the substrate faces together to reduce the possibility of damage during installation.
- 2 Inspect the panels. In the case of product defect or damage in transit, FilzFelt must be notified within five (5) business days. FilzFelt cannot accept a return or warranty claim on any material that has been installed.
- 3 Allow components to acclimate to the installation environment. After the shipping crates have been opened, the Panels should be laid out individually on the floor for at least forty-eight (48) hours.
- 4 While the panels are becoming acclimatized, clean the work surface. It should be smooth, dry, and dust-free to allow the best possible installation. A Level 4 Finish ceiling preparation is sufficient.
- 5 The Strapping and Panels provided have designations carved into them that indicate the placements shown on the Strapping Map and Shop Drawing. Review the maps and organize the Strapping and Panels accordingly before installing.
- 6 Using ceiling screws appropriate for the ceiling type (not included), secure the Strapping to the ceiling as indicated on the Strapping Map. IMPORTANT: Make sure that Strapping pieces are plumb and level as the installation progresses.
- 7 Use the Shop Drawing as a guide for the Panel placement. To attach a Panel, align the female Interlock mounts on the Panels to the corresponding male Interlock mounts in the Strapping and press into place until they snap in.
- 8 Starting in one corner, install the first row of Panels from left-to-right. Continue rowby-row going left-to-right, each time starting at the left and working right in that row until all Panels are installed, per the Shop Drawing.
- 9 To detach a Panel, slide a stiff putty knife behind the Panel at each Interlock mount and gently pry and pull the Panel away from the Strapping until it pops off.
- To cut device cut-outs in the Panel, use a sharp utility knife and carpenter's square. Make a first pass with light pressure to score the felt. Make additional passes using firm pressure and making sure the blade is plumb. IMPORTANT: Always use a sharp blade and change blades frequently.

Devices may then be either ceiling-mounted or panel-mounted as specified by the client. All cutting and finishing of the cut-outs and installation of electrical devices are the responsibility of the purchaser.





Align female mounts in Panels with male mounts in Strapping and push in until they snap



## **Cleaning Instructions**

Like any natural fiber, a minimal approach should always be taken to clean wool felt since the cleaning method could potentially do more harm than the soiling or stain. The cleaning approach should be (1) dust with a lint roller, (2) vacuum with a clean, soft brush, (3) clean with water and mild detergent, and (4) clean with chemical spot remover. **IMPORTANT**: Always test any cleaning method in an inconspicuous area before attempting general cleaning.

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For complete instructions, refer to the Product Maintenance + Cleaning Guide at filzfelt.com/cleaning-guide.

