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Suspended / Drop Ceiling Installation

Ceilume's Feather-Light and Signature Series tiles can be suspended by means of an approved ceiling suspension system using standard 1" face T-bar grid, per the grid manufacturer's instructions.

Check building codes as required.

To install, simply remove existing dropped-in ceiling tiles and pop your new ceiling tiles into place in the suspended ceiling.



In perimeter and border situations where the T-bar sections are irregular or not a full 2' x 2' or 2' x 4' in size, edge trim styles can be easily trimmed to fit using common, household scissors.

Decorative Grid Tape

Decorative tape comes in 100' long rolls, has an adhesive backing, and is designed to cover the face of your T-bar grid. A few things to keep in mind when installing decorative tape:

- Clean the surface of your grid prior to installation. If the adhesive comes into contact with dust, oil, or grease of any kind it will not adhere to the ceiling grid's surface.
- It is easier to cut decorative tape to length prior to installation (always allow an extra inch, rather than risk an additional joint or seam) rather than trying to work with the entire roll in your hand.

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- Remove small, easily managed sections of backing (18"-24" is a good length) and work slowly and steadily.
- Removing and re-installing decorative tape may cause the adhesive to fail.

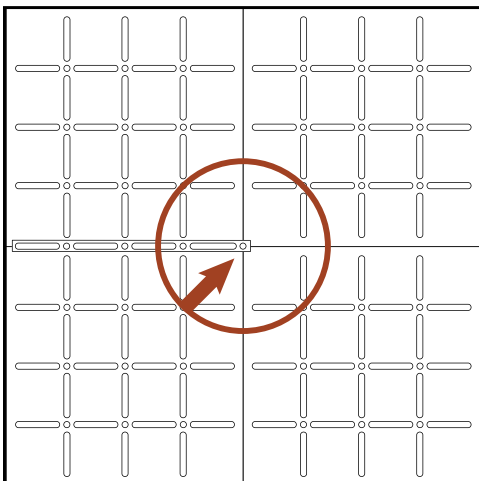
Start by applying decorative tape to the wall angle around the perimeter of your room. Begin at a corner, peel the backing off to expose 18"-24" of the adhesive, press about 2" of the decorative tape onto the wall angle, and align the remaining exposed tape carefully before pressing firmly into place. Once that first 24" has been applied, remove another 24" of backing and repeat the process. When you reach a corner, trim the tape to fit.

Once you've finished the wall angle, it's time to move to the ceiling grid. Most ceilings are installed with the ceiling "mains" running parallel to the longer walls in a room. Determine the direction and length of your mains, trim a section of decorative tape to fit (allowing an extra inch to avoid an additional seam), and then apply the tape to all of the mains.

Now all that is left is to cut the decorative tape and install it to the T's. Except for the smaller sections around the perimeter of the room, you'll find that most of your T's will be the same size. It is best to dry fit and trim decorative tape prior to installation to ensure a good fit that will completely cover all of your grid. Once the tape has been dry fit and cut to size, peel and stick as before.

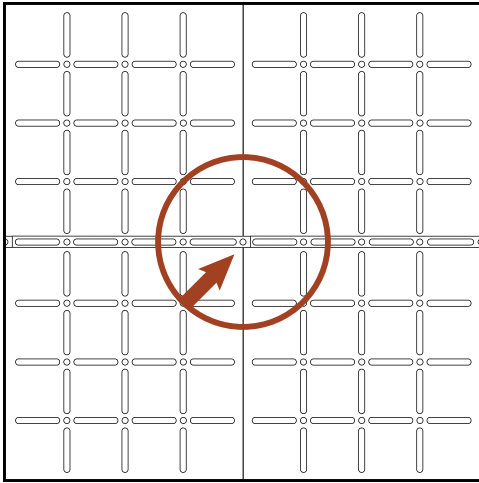
Decorative Strips

Decorative strips are 2' long, self-adhesive, and designed to cover the joints between ceiling tiles. Each strip has a decorative pattern that begins with a dot and ends with a dash.



Do not remove the backing on decorative strips until they are ready to be installed, and make sure your ceiling tiles are clean and dry. If the adhesive on the back of the decorative strip comes into contact with dust, oil, or grease of any kind it will not adhere properly.

Dry fit all strips prior to installation. To dry fit, place the dot end of the strip directly over the intersection of four ceiling tiles and the length of the strip over the joint of two adjacent tiles. Trim to length if necessary.

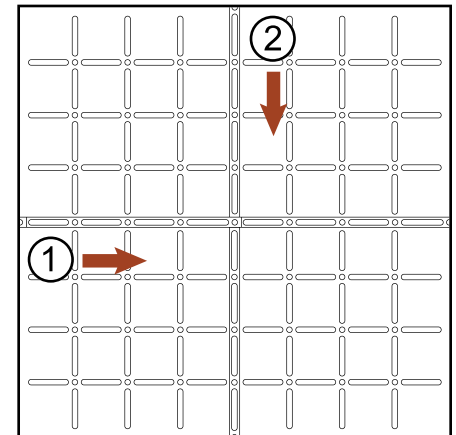


Remove the backing on the strip, exposing the adhesive, and press the strip firmly into place. Make sure to place the dot end of the strip over the intersection of four ceiling tiles and its length over the joint of two neighboring tiles.

Butt the next decorative strip directly against the first, creating a repeating pattern - the first dot on the second strip placed over the next four-way ceiling tile intersection. Each time dry fit and trim as necessary.

Install all of the decorative strips running in one direction first and then finish by installing the strips perpendicular to the first set. Trim the dot off of the end of each strip in the second set to keep the dot dash pattern consistent across the entirety of the ceiling and to create visual symmetry.

If decorative strips do not adhere for any reason, apply a small amount of FRP adhesive to the back of the strip and re-install.



Painting, Storage, and Maintenance

Painting

All Ceilume products can be painted before or after installation.

Be sure ceiling tiles, decorative strips, and decorative tape are clean and dry before painting, experiment on a sample with your paint of choice before painting your entire ceiling, and do not use solvent type thinner or cleaners.

Painting voids all fire ratings.

Storing

Do not store ceiling tiles in contact with direct sunlight or in contact with any heat that may

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reach temperatures of over 110°F. When temperatures reach these levels the vinyl may distort.

Cleaning

Ceilume Ceiling Tiles, decorative strips, and decorative tape require no special cleaning agents - just wipe them down with a soft damp rag.

There is no risk of water damage during cleaning, and there is no need for scheduled professional maintenance and resurfacing to prevent environmental and aesthetic problems.

Small, stubborn spots can be handled with cleaners such as Fantastik® and Windex®.

Cleaners containing organic solvents or other aggressive ingredients should not be used as they may affect the surface appearance of your ceiling tiles. Examples of such cleaners include chlorine bleach, liquid grease remover, nail polish remover, and furniture polish.