

### Installation Guide Stratospherix



Your Krix speakers are designed to reproduce the highest quality sound. To get the best performance from your speakers please read these installation instructions thoroughly as there are many factors that influence the performance of your speakers. If you have any difficulties please speak with one of our friendly authorised Krix dealers.

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#### introduction

The Stratospherix is a high quality in-ceiling loudspeaker featuring a semi enclosed backbox. It employs a large 200mm (8") bass driver with concentric professional grade compression tweeter, for high power handling and sensitivity. The dual concentric driver configuration guarantees uniform sound coverage in all directions. The bass driver features a weather-proof polypropylene cone, whilst the compression tweeter is protected by an acoustically transparent dust cap. To ensure reliable performance both indoors and outdoors the grille is made of corrosion resistant aluminium and all other hardware is stainless steel.

#### applications

The weather-proof design of the Stratospherix, combined with high power handling, sensitivity and extended bass performance, make it ideally suited to outdoor in-ceiling applications. For example, it can be used in undercover alfresco dinning areas, courtyards or near swimming pools. The Stratospherix may also be used for indoor applications requiring high volume levels, for example larger concealed home cinemas.

#### before you begin

- Please read the disclaimer on the back of this manual.
- After discussion with your local Krix distributor, or installation consultant, determine the best location for your loudspeakers. Check for any obstructions, such as electrical wiring, plumbing, stud work or air conditioning ducts before commencing the installation. (figure 1) Also check that there is enough ceiling depth to accommodate the speaker enclosure.



Care should be taken to ensure that the ceiling material is strong enough to support the product weight. Structural materials such as plaster board, cement sheet and wood are generally suitable. Non-structural ceiling materials, such as fibre mat suspended ceiling tiles are NOT suitable without additional reinforcement.

#### connecting

To ensure optimum performance it is important that your speaker system is connected properly:

- Turn off all electronic equipment and disconnect from the power point.
- Follow the connection instructions supplied with your amplifier, CD/DVD, hard disk recorder, video player etc.
- Install speaker cable in wall or ceiling cavity, or run cable along wall surface.
  Allow approximately 300mm of excess cable to facilitate loudspeaker installation.
- Follow the connection instructions supplied with your amplifier to connect the speaker cables to amplifier. Take care to assign the same cable colour or trace to the positive (+) connector on the amplifier as the positive (+) connector on the speaker.
- Prepare speaker cables for connecting to speakers by neatly stripping cable ends.
- Care should be taken to **eliminate loose strands of wire** that may present a short circuit hazard.

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- Once the correct speaker placement has been determined, use the cardboard insert marked 'template' (from the internal packing) to trace the required cut-out onto the ceiling/wall. (figure 2)
- Drill a hole inside the marked cut-out. Using a fine plasterboard saw cut around the inside of the marked cut-out. (figure 3)
- Remove the circular offcut and insert the speaker to check the hole is the correct size. Enlarge the cut-out if required.

- To install the speaker, first remove the grille. To remove the speaker grille use the mounting clamps located around the edge of the enclosure. Swing the mounting clamps out so that they are 90 degrees to the enclosure, and gently push upwards evenly on the clamps until the grille lifts. Carefully lift out the grille without bending. (figure 4)
- Pull the stripped speaker cable through the ceiling/wall opening. Push and hold down the positive (+) red binding post on the speaker and insert the positive (+) wire through the hole in the post. Take care to assign the same cable colour or trace to the positive (+) connector on the amplifier as the positive (+) connector on the speaker. Repeat connection process with the negative (-) black binding post and the negative (-) wire. (figure 5)
- Ensure all mounting clamps are swung back against the speaker enclosure (figure 5), so that the speaker can be easily inserted into the ceiling cut-out. Once the speaker has been located in the ceiling/wall, use a Phillips head screwdriver to tighten all mounting screws. Be careful not to over tighten screws, as this may strip the clamp, or crush the plaster board surface. As the screws are tightened, the mounting clamps will automatically swing out over the plaster board and clamp the speaker in place. (figure 6)
- If painting the grille and speaker frame is not required, gently fit the metal grille to the front of the speaker housing. (figure 7)
- If the grille and speaker frame require painting, ensure the black front baffle is masked off to protect the speaker drivers. When painting the metal grille it is recommended to use a small foam roller and it may necessary to thin down the paint to avoiding blocking the holes in the grille. After all paint is dry, fit the grille to the front of the speaker housing.

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#### disclaimer

Cutting or drilling into anything can be dangerous. You should make sure you know what is behind or inside the surface that you are cutting into before you start to cut. For example, you might strike an electrical cable.

If you do not feel entirely confident about installing this product, contact a professional installer.

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