

Tips and things to know before getting started

- Determine the number of Ceiling and perimeter panels required for installation.
- Make sure you have a minimal clearance of 4.5" from the grid face upward. This clearance will be needed for installing the ceiling panels.
- Inspect grid suspension system for solid assembly, replacing any worn or rusted suspension wires to the grid manufacturer's specification.
- Turn off electrical power in areas where lights, ceiling fans, or other electrical fixtures will have a ceiling panel installed.
- Ensure grid system being taped is at room temperature.
- Be sure to wear safety glasses and a dust mask throughout the project.

- **Install with New or Existing Grid**

1. Remove all existing grid panels.
2. Clean all the inside grid rails using a clean cotton cloth. **Wipe with 91% Isopropyl Alcohol to assist with dirt removal.** Ensure all dust and debris are removed from the inside and face of track.
3. Once grid has been thoroughly cleaned, secure the Grid Tape dispenser to your belt, this will allow you to work with both hands when applying the Grid Tape to the Grid system. **Note: Tape adhesive has a 72 hour cure time, all repositioning of tape will need to occur prior its maximum holding strength.**
4. Begin applying the Grid Tape to the outside perimeter grid systems first, adhering the tape to the face of the grid system.
Note: It is best to only remove 2-3 feet of the backing material at a time when applying the tape to the grid system. Run tape the full length of the rail prior to cutting and folding outlined in step 5
5. Once the first perimeter grid has been taped, use your cutting knife to cut the tape on either side of the adjoining grid. This will allow you to fold over and wrap the tape. Ensure the tape is pressed thoroughly to the face and inner grid system for proper adhesion. Using your thumb press firmly on each side of the grid creating a crease in the grid tape so that it is bent toward the direction you will fold. Once creased, fold small section at a time to prevent bubbling on the side of the tape.
Note: When taping the perimeter grid, ensure the adjoining grid is on-center (either 24" or 48") before cutting the tape on either side of the adjoining grid. Once cut and

wrapped this will leave a small tab of tape on the adjoining grid, leave this intact as it will hold the grid in place and on-center.

6. Repeat step 5 for each adjoining grid on the perimeter grid system.
Note: When applying the tape, tack one end of the tape to the grid and stretch slightly to prevent any wrinkling or bubbling of tape when applying. Please note that if a bubble does occur during the installation process, this is easily remedied by making a small incision into the bubble then flattening and applying pressure to the bubble.

7. Begin taping the remaining interior grid. Complete each run going in the same direction one length at a time. Cut the Grid Tape at each intersecting grid location and carefully fold over and wrap the Morph Tape, ensuring the tape is pressed thoroughly to the inner grid system for proper adhesion.
Note: The tape will overlap the intersecting grid once cut and folded. This can be left in place if needed or carefully cut away to assist with appearance when overlapping the Grid Tape from the other direction.

8. Repeat this process now for the intersecting grid system, taping the full length of the grid face, cutting at intersects and then folding and wrapping the Morph Tape to the inside of the grid.
Note: Morph Tape can be overlapped at each intersection or carefully cut at each intersection to reduce overlap exposure.

9. Once all tape has been applied, install the ceiling panels. Flat panels are provided for the outside perimeters or locations that have been custom cut to size. Additional panels can be purchased separately if needed.

10. Touch up's can be made to the ceiling and grid system using the matching Sudden Change Ceiling Touch Up Kit for any nicks or scratches. Item sold separately.

Install with New Grid

1. All grid installation will need to be installed in accordance with the manufacturer of grid system. Please refer to those install instructions.
Note: When installing the grid system it is best to start in the center of the room you are installing. This will create even sized perimeter panel on either side of the room if needed.

2. Follow steps 3 through 10
Note: Tape all grid railing prior to installing grid system.

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