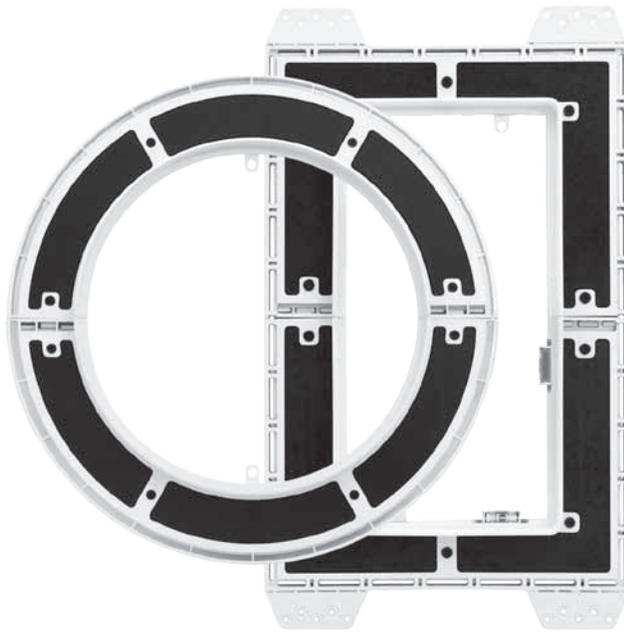


OWNER'S MANUAL

NEAT!

Installation Brackets



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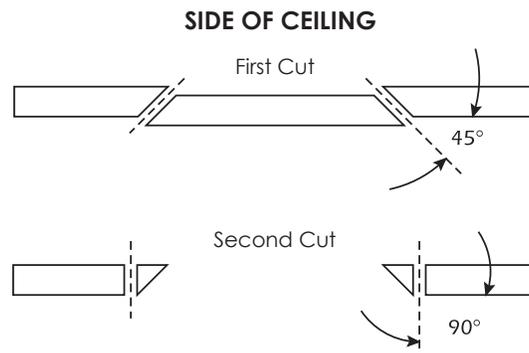
For RETROFIT INSTALLATION follow steps 1-16

Note: For 1/2" drywall applications, a NEAT! Bracket Spacer is required (sold separately). Attach the Spacer to the Bracket before proceeding (**Figure 2**).

Note: Please see the NEAT! speaker manual for further details on speaker placement and avoiding obstructions. This installation manual is specific to the Bracket installation process.

1. Determine the appropriate location for installing the NEAT! speaker.
2. Cut the hole using the included Cut Out Template as a guide. **CAUTION:** This is the most important part of the entire installation. If you are not certain whether or not an obstruction exists behind the desired mounting area, you should start by cutting a small hole in the center of your penciled mounting hole with a drywall saw. Cut at a 45° angle towards the inside of the hole (**See Figure 1**). Cutting the small hole at this angle will make drywall repair much easier as the piece cut out can be installed neatly back into the hole. Once you have determined there are no obstructions in your desired mounting location, start cutting the finished hole at a 90° angle to the ceiling surface.

Figure 1:
Checking for obstructions



3. Apply construction adhesive to the Bracket's flat surface near the lip to help attach and seal the bracket to the drywall.
4. Feed each half of the Bracket through the hole, one at a time (**Figure 3**). **Note:** On the LCR Bracket, break off the four mounting tabs before installing horizontally to avoid interference with the wall studs.
5. Connect the two halves together at both ends, then pull the assembled Bracket into position within the cut out (**Figure 4**).
6. Insert the plastic Screw Template into the opening, aligning the Bracket's two wire tabs with the recesses in the Screw Template. Drive drywall screws through the template openings to secure the Bracket to the drywall (**Figure 5**). **Note:** Use 1 screw per opening in the template.
7. Remove plastic Screw Template.

(SpeakerCraft highly recommends the use of a qualified mud/texture contractor for Steps 8-16)

8. Use acrylic caulk to fill in the gap between the Bracket lip and drywall.
9. After the caulk has set, sand lightly.
10. Apply drywall mud over caulk and screw holes.
11. After the mud has set, sand it smooth.
12. Apply additional coat of drywall mud, if needed.
13. Apply acrylic caulk over the edge, if needed.
14. After mud and caulk are ready, do final smooth sanding.
15. Apply primer.
16. Apply paint (2 coats recommended) allowing enough dry time after the primer and after the first coat.

For NEW CONSTRUCTION INSTALLATION follow steps 1-16

Note: For ½" drywall applications, a NEAT! Bracket Spacer is required (sold separately). Attach the Spacer to the Bracket before proceeding (**Figure 2**).

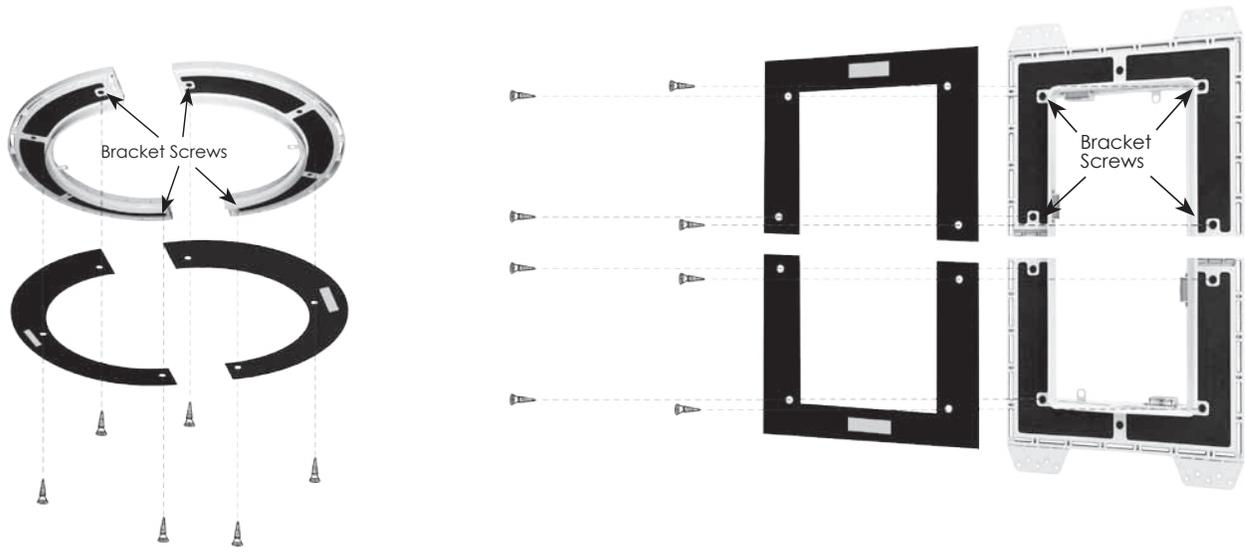
Note: Please see the NEAT! speaker manual for further details on speaker placement and avoiding obstructions. This installation manual is specific to the Bracket installation process.

1. Connect the two halves of the Bracket together at both ends.
2. Mount the wings to the Bracket frame by aligning the tabs on the wing with the notches in the Bracket and applying pressure until they snap into place.
3. Screw, nail, or staple the assembled Bracket to the joist (**Figure 7**). **Note:** Place the Bracket frame so that the lip protrudes into the room for the drywall installer to cut around.
4. Attach the installed speaker cable to the cable tie tab.
5. Allow drywall installer to cut an appropriate hole around the Bracket's lip. (**Figure 7**).
6. Insert the plastic Screw Template into the opening, aligning the Bracket's two wire tabs with the recesses in the Screw Template and hold or tape in place. Drive drywall screws through the template openings to secure the Bracket to the drywall (**Figure 5**). **Note:** Use 1 screw per opening in the template.
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Figure 2:
Use Bracket Spacers for ½" Drywall (Spacer sold separately).



Attaching the Bracket Spacers

1. Unscrew the appropriate screws from each half of the Bracket.
2. Apply construction adhesive to the back of the Spacers to help minimize any possible wall resonance.
3. Use the longer screws provided with the Spacers to secure them to the Bracket halves. **Note:** The side with the label must face forward away from the bracket so the screws will sit flush in the countersunk holes.
4. Apply construction adhesive to the front of the Spacers before attaching to the drywall to help minimize any possible wall vibrations.

Figure 3:
Feed Bracket halves through drywall cut-out.



Note: Break off all four mounting tabs before installing horizontally to avoid interference with the wall studs.

Figure 4:
Connect Bracket halves together and place into the drywall cut out.

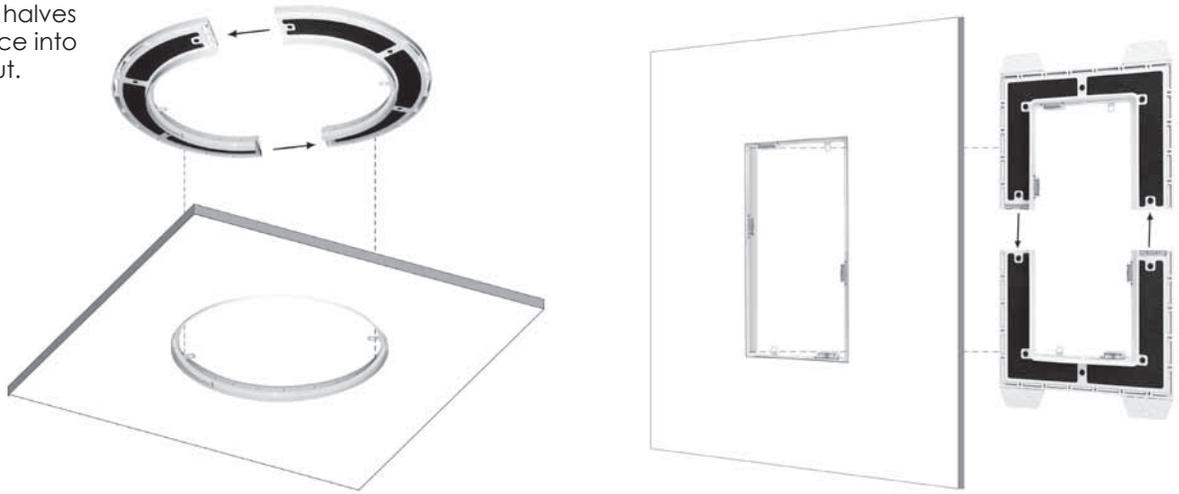


Figure 5:
Use Plastic Screw Template as a guide to secure Bracket.

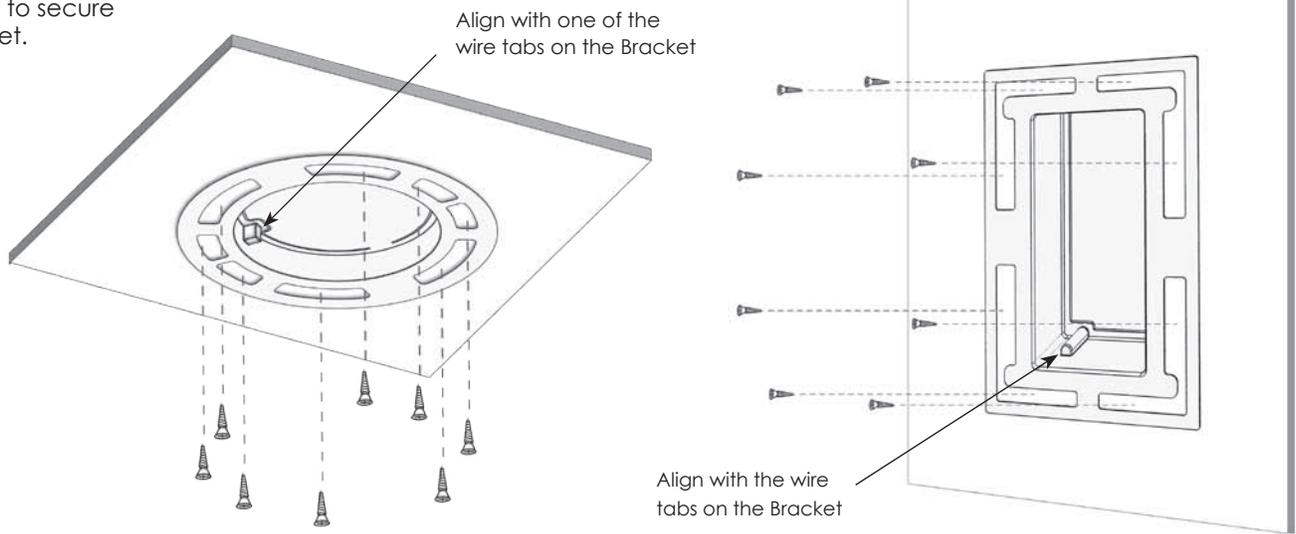


Figure 6:
You are now ready for steps 8-16 under Retrofit Installation or New Construction Installation.

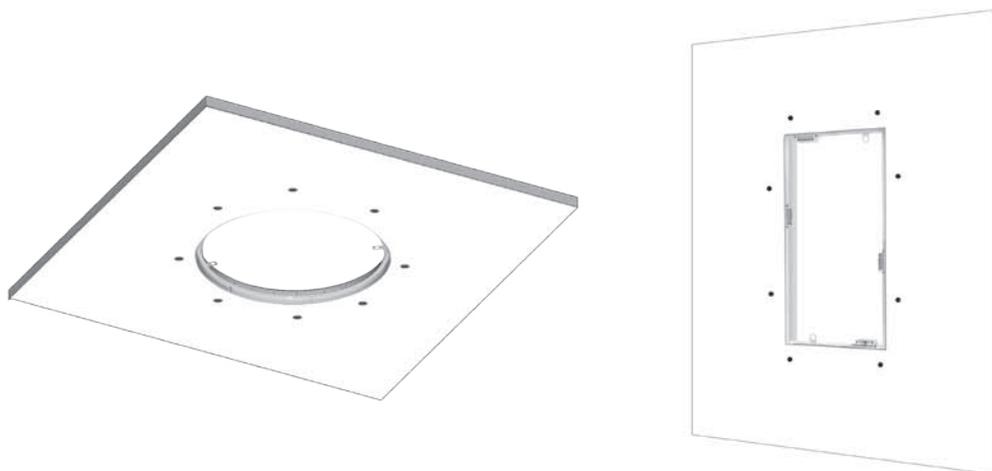
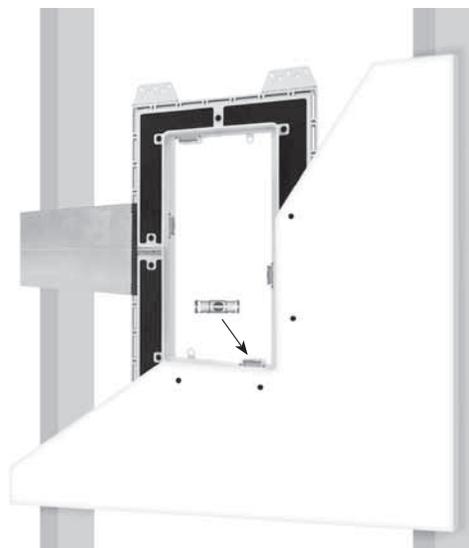
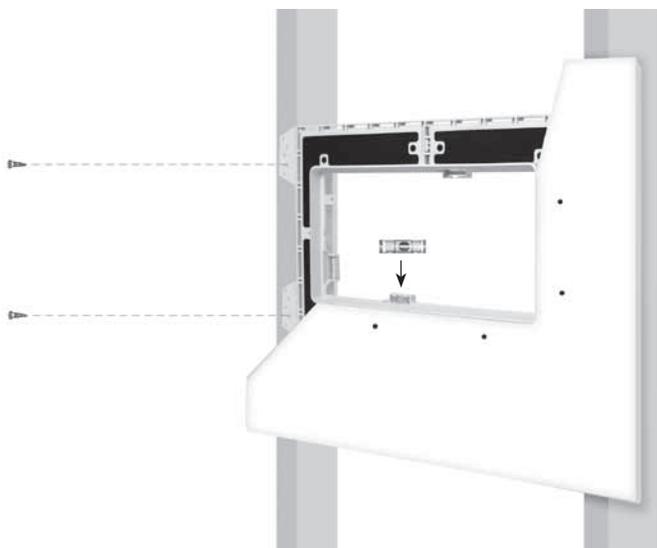
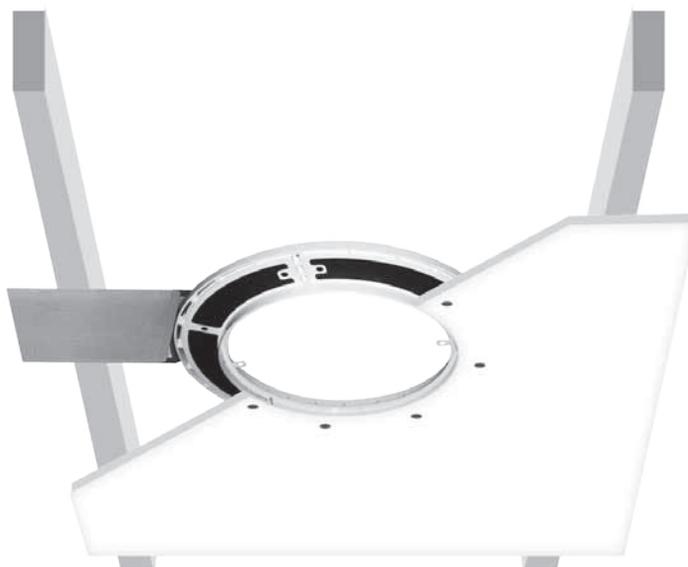


Figure 7:
New Construction Installations using a Bracket with wings.



For your convenience a level was included with the NEAT! LCR Brackets. For either vertical or horizontal mounting, simply snap the capsule into the appropriate holder on the Bracket.

SPECIFICATIONS

NEAT! 8 Bracket

NEAT! 7 Bracket

NEAT! LCR Bracket

Cut Out Dimensions:

10 1/2"
(267 mm)

8 7/8"
(226 mm)

11 5/16" x 5 15/16"
(288 mm x 151 mm)

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