

# SONANCE INVISIBLE SERIES SPEAKER INSTALLATION

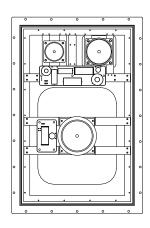
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# INTRODUCTION

SONANCE offers what few have before: the ability to contribute to brilliant architecture and genius design by removing an element. By removing dated protruding fixtures and other traditional wall-mounted necessities, and replacing them with flush fixtures, the products bow out of the spotlight and allow the artistic structure to take center stage. SONANCE INVISIBLE SERIES offers audiophile quality and ease of installation to any design project.

# SONANCE INVISIBLE SERIES



# **IS4**

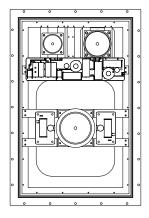
The new benchmark for invisible speakers. The IS4 features state of the art planar diaphragm technology. The rigid metal frame and optional enclosure make this speaker the best sounding fully concealed speaker in the world.

**SPECIFICATIONS** 

Tweeter
Midrange
Woofer
Frequency Response
Impedance
Power Handling
Sensitivity
Dispersion
Finish
Overload Protection
Cutout Dims -
Without Enclosure (WxHxD)
Cutout Dims -
With Enclosure (WxHxD)
Shipping Weight

4 sq. in (27 sq. cm) planar diaphragm, driven by a 1" (25mm) voice coil 17 sq. in (110 sq. cm) planar diaphragm, driven by a 1" (25mm) voice coil 113 sq. in (732 sq. cm) planar diaphragm, driven by a 2" (50mm) voice coil  $40Hz - 20kHz \pm 3dB$ 8 ohms nominal 100 watts RMS 90dB (1W/1 meter) 170° hemispherical up to 10kHz Paper surface ready for texture and paint Three independent self-resetting gel switches (low, mid and high) 16-1/8" x 24-1/8" x 2" (409mm x 613mm x 51mm)

16-1/8" x 24-1/8" x 3-13/16" (409mm x 613mm x 97mm) 25 lbs (11.25 kg) pair



# **IS4 SST**

The IS4 SST features single stereo technology, the ability to drive one speaker with two inputs. The IS4 SST is impedance matched to ensure proper amplifier protection. The perfect choice for small areas, such as hallways and corridors where two speakers would be impractical or impossible to install.

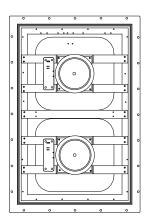
#### **SPECIFICATIONS**

Tweeter Midrange Woofer Frequency Response Impedance **Power Handling** Sensitivity Dispersion Finish **Overload Protection** Cutout Dims -Without Enclosure (WxHxD) Cutout Dims -With Enclosure (WxHxD) Shipping Weight

4 sq. in (27 sq. cm) planar diaphragm, driven by a 1" (25mm) dual voice coil 17 sq. in (110 sq. cm) planar diaphragm, driven by a 1" (25mm) dual voice coil 113 sq. in (732 sq. cm) planar diaphragm, driven by a 2" (50mm) dual voice coil  $40Hz - 20kHz \pm 3dB$ 8 ohms nominal 100 watts RMS 90dB (1W/1 meter) 170° hemispherical up to 10kHz Paper surface ready for texture and paint Three independent self-resetting gel switches (low, mid and high) 16-1/8" x 24-1/8" x 2" (409mm x 613mm x 51mm)

16-1/8" x 24-1/8" x 3-13/16" (409mm x 613mm x 97mm) 13 lbs (5.85 kg) each





#### ISW

The ISW is a low frequency reinforcement to the IS line. Two voice coils drive the diaphragm for unsurpassed invisible low end response.

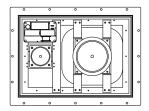
#### SPECIFICATIONS

Woofer

Frequency Response Impedance Power Handling Sensitivity Dispersion Finish Overload Protection Cutout Dims -Without Enclosure (WxHxD) Cutout Dims -With Enclosure (WxHxD) Shipping Weight 170 sq. in (1098 sq. cm) planar diaphragm, driven by two 2" (50mm) voice coils 35Hz – 150Hz ±3dB 8 ohms nominal 100 watts RMS 90dB (1W/1 meter) 170° hemispherical up to 10kHz Paper surface ready for texture and paint Self-resetting gel switch

16-1/8" x 24-1/8" x 2" (409mm x 613mm x 51mm)

16-1/8″ x 24-1/8″ x 3-13/16″ (409mm x 613mm x 97mm) 13 lbs (5.85 kg) each



#### IS2

The IS2 is designed for tight installations or very small spaces yet delivers sound that is only bested by the IS4.

#### **SPECIFICATIONS**

Tweeter Woofer Frequency Response Impedance Power Handling Sensitivity Dispersion Finish Overload Protection Cutout Dims -Without Enclosure (WxHxD) Cutout Dims -With Enclosure (WxHxD) Shipping Weight 4 sq. in (27 sq. cm) planar diaphragm, driven by a 1" (25mm) voice coil 50 sq. in (320 sq. cm) planar diaphragm, driven by a 1" (25mm) voice coil 50Hz – 20kHz ±3dB 8 ohms nominal 80 watts RMS 88dB (1W/1 meter) 170° hemispherical up to 10kHz Paper surface ready for texture and paint Two independent self-resetting gel switches (low and high)

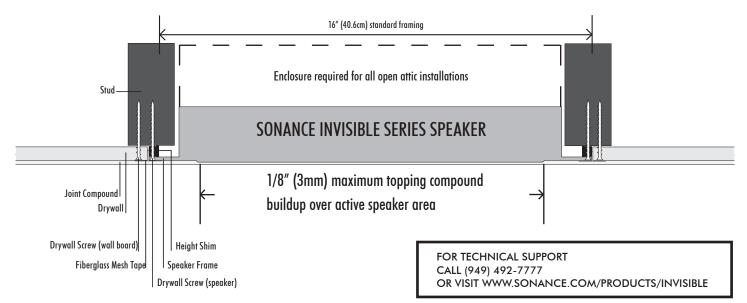
16-3/32" x 12-3/32" x 2" (409mm x 307mm x 51mm)

16-3/32" x 12-3/32" x 3-13/16" (409mm x 307mm x 97mm) 12 lbs (5.5 kg) pair

#### UNDERSTANDING THE INVISIBLE SERIES INSTALLATION



#### INVISIBLE SERIES SPEAKER INSTALLATION DETAIL VIEW



#### Note: IMPORTANT CONSIDERATION FOR LOCATING THE IS2, IS4, IS4SST AND ISW ON WALLS

For wall installations, locate the bottom of the Invisible Series Speaker at least 7 ft. (2.1m) up from the floor. Placing the speaker lower on the wall will put it at risk for having picture nails or other hanging devices driven through the diaphragm and damaging the speaker. Since the final surface finish enables the speaker to completely disappear, it is critical to locate the speaker high enough on the wall to protect it for the future. Resulting damage of this type is not covered by the warranty.

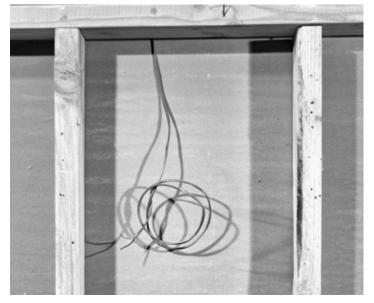
#### WIRE GAUGE GUIDE

Extra resistance in the speaker wire can make speakers sound less dynamic and reduce definition of the bass frequencies. In extreme cases, it can even attenuate high frequencies. Also, amplifier power is wasted in wire with extra resistance, reducing your system's maximum output level. To prevent degrading sound quality, the total wire resistance should be less than 10% of the speaker's impedance. This means that for an 8-ohm speaker, the total resistance of the wire should be less than 0.8 ohms. Refer to the following table when selecting the proper wire gauge for your system:

WIRE RESISTANCE IN OHMS vs. LENGTH OF CABLE RUN							
DISTANCE IN FEET	50'	100'	150'	200'	250'	300′	
20 Gauge	1.04	2.07	3.11	4.14	5.18	6.22	
18 Gauge	.65	1.30	1.96	2.61	3.26	3.91	
16 Gauge	.41	.82	1.22	1.63	2.04	2.45	
14 Gauge	.26	.52	.77	1.03	1.29	1.55	
12 Gauge	.16	.32	.49	.65	.81	.97	
10 Gauge	.10	.20	.31	.41	.51	.61	



I. Wire stud bay prior to mounting drywall. See page 4 for wire gauge chart.



3. With the aid of a level, screw the space saver to the studs. Ensure the speaker cable will have easy access once the space saver is removed.



Space Saver Part Numbers: IS4 & ISW = 92723 IS2 = 92722

2. Place space saver in desired final location of speaker.



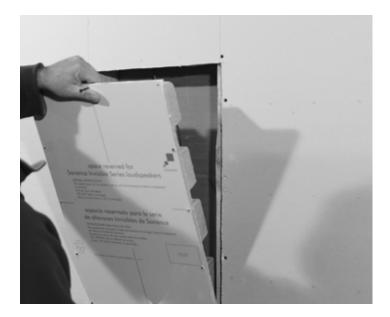
4. Secure edges of the space saver.



5. After all drywall is hung, begin speaker installation by removing space saver.



6. Be careful not to damage the exposed drywall during space saver removal.



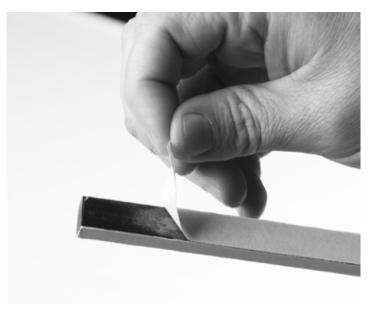


exposed opening.

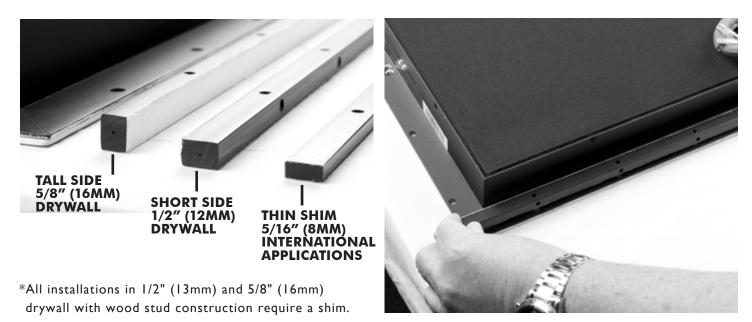
7. Pull 2-conductor speaker wire down into the

8. Select the appropriate shim for the application.\* Use cardboard shims for fine tuning.

9. Peel off corresponding adhesive backing.



**10**. Press shim firmly into position, aligning screw holes.



**II.** Connect speaker wire to the appropriate terminal on the speaker. (Speaker shown with optional enclosure.)



Enclosure Part Numbers: IS4 & ISW = 92970 IS2 = 92969

12. Insert speaker into opening.

13. Secure speaker with at least 4 drywall screws on each side. Top and bottom are optional. Do not over tighten.



#### TEST THE SPEAKER FOR 60 SECONDS WITH AN AUDIO SOURCE BEFORE COVERING WITH DRYWALL COMPOUND!

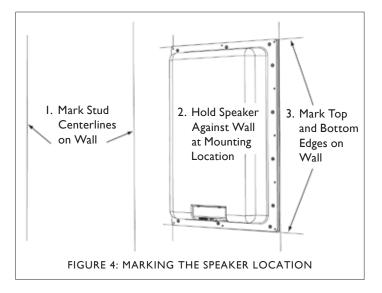
This is the last point any wiring corrections can be made. After test is complete finish securing with remaining drywall screws.

- 14. Go to Finishing Instructions starting on page 12.

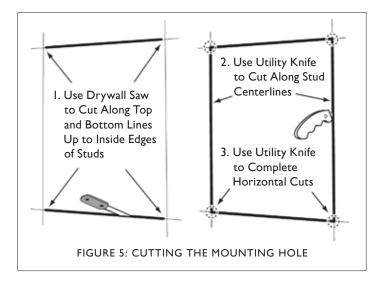


#### **EXISITNG CONSTRUCTION**

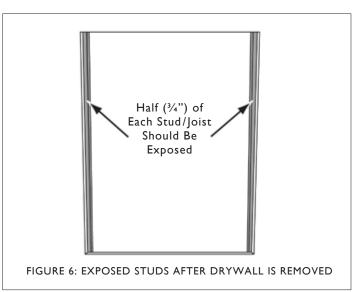
- I. Determine the location for the speaker.
- 2. Using a stud finder, locate the first studs/joists to the right and left of the speaker position.
- 3. Mark the centers of the studs/joists. (See Figure 4, below.)



- 4. Using the speaker as a template, determine the desired speaker location on the wall. Mark the speaker's top and bottom edges on the drywall. (See Figure 4, above.)
- 5. Before proceeding, perform an obstruction survey to be certain that there are no studs, conduit, pipes, heating ducts, pocket doors, or air returns in the wall cavity that will interfere with the speaker.
- 6. Using a drywall saw, cut the drywall along the top and bottom horizontal marks UP TO THE INSIDE EDGES OF THE LEFT AND RIGHT STUDS/JOISTS. (See Figure 5 below.)



- 7. Using a utility knife, cut the drywall along the vertical marks at the centers of the studs/ joists. Use the utility knife to complete the horizontal cuts at each stud/joist. (See Figure 5, below.) Remove the drywall from the opening.
  - This should expose only <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>" (19mm) of each stud/ joist or half of the stud/joist surface. (See Figure 6.)



8. Test-fit the speaker into the opening, verifying that all of the speaker's edges are even with the drywall edges. If necessary, trim the edges of the drywall to properly accommodate the speaker.



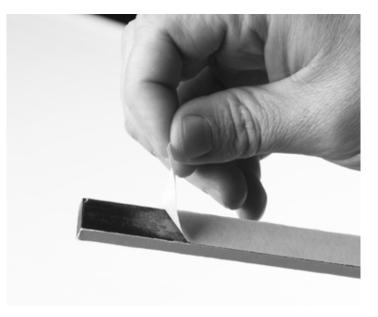
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exposed opening.

9. Pull 2-conductor speaker wire down into the

Select the appropriate shim for the application.\*
Use cardboard shims for fine tuning.

II. Peel off corresponding adhesive backing.



12. Press shim firmly into position, aligning screw holes.





#### EXISITNG CONSTRUCTION

the speaker. (Speaker shown with optional enclosure.)



**Enclosure Part Numbers:** IS4 & ISW = 92970 IS2 = 92969

13. Connect speaker wire to the appropriate terminal on 15. Secure speaker with at least 4 drywall screws on each side. Top and bottom is optional. Do not over tighten.



#### **TEST THE SPEAKER FOR 60 SECONDS WITH** AN AUDIO SOURCE BEFORE COVERING WITH DRYWALL COMPOUND!

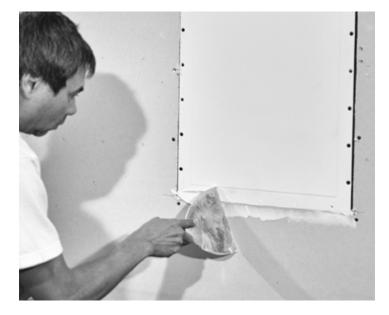
This is the last point any wiring corrections can be made. After test is complete finish securing with remaining drywall screws.

14. Insert speaker into opening.





 Fill the gap between speaker and drywall with 5 minute setting type joint compound (hot mud).



3. Allow hot mud to set slightly before applying mesh tape.



2. Feather all edges.

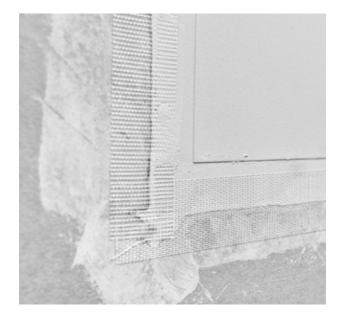




4. Place mesh tape over the drywall seams.



6. Do not tape over the raised portion of the speaker (diaphragm).



5. Overlap tape slightly.



7. Allow hot mud to fully cure or harden.



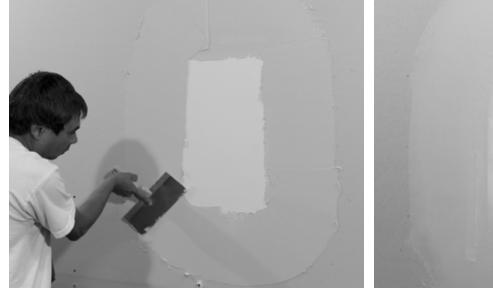




- 8. Once hot mud has fully cured or hardened, begin to Build layers of topping compound over speaker.
- **10.** Feather in all surfaces.



9. Build layers of compound as needed to obtain a flat surface. 11. Allow first coat to fully cure or harden.







- 12. Start a second coat covering the entire surface of the speaker and all adjoining surfaces.
- 14. Detail the compound to minimize tool marks.



- I3. Compound buildup on the active surface of the speaker should not exceed 1/8" (3mm).
- 15. Build more coats as necessary to achieve desired finish.







The final coat should be a very light application (skim coat).

16. Each successive coat should be thinner than the last.

- 17. After final coat is applied and has dried, use a manual pole sander or block sander on entire wall (do not use a power sander). Wall surface should show no signs of a speaker. If any defect is found, skim coat entire area, and sand down again.



# **IMPORTANT**

TOTAL MATERIAL OVER ACTIVE SURFACE OF THE SPEAKER CAN NOT EXCEED  $1/8^{TH}$  OF AN INCH (3mm).

# **BEST PRACTICE**

A 60 MICRON SANDING FILM IS RECOMMENDED FOR FINAL SANDING.



NOTES:

# LIMITED FIFTEEN (15) YEAR WARRANTY

Sonance warrants to the first end-user purchaser that this Sonance-brand product ("Product"), when purchased from an authorized Sonance Dealer/Distributor and installed by a Sonance installer, will be free from defective workmanship and materials in the initial installation for the period stated below. Subject to the additional limitations stated below, Sonance will (a) at its option and expense during the warranty period, either repair the defect or replace the Product with a new or remanufactured Product or a reasonable equivalent, and (b) arrange at its reasonable expense to re-install the Product and prepare the surface of the speaker and/or mounting platform for finishing and nothing more.

# **EXCLUSIONS**

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The warranty stated above is the sole and exclusive remedy and Sonance's performance shall constitute full and final satisfaction of all obligations, liabilities and claims with respect to the Product. IN ANY EVENT, SONANCE SHALL NOT BE LIABLE FOR CONSEQUENTIAL, INCIDENTAL, ECONOMIC, PROPERTY, BODILY INJURY, OR PERSONAL INJURY DAMAGES ARISING FROM THE PRODUCT, ANY BREACH OF THIS WARRANTY OR OTHERWISE.

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Your Product Model and Description: Sonance Invisible Series Speaker IS4, IS4 SST, ISW, IS2

Warranty Period for this Product: Fifteen (15) years from the date on the original sales receipt, invoice or other satisfactory proof of purchase.

Additional Limitations and Exclusions From Warranty Coverage: The warranty described above is non-transferrable, applies only to the initial installation of the Product, does not include re-finishing of the speaker and/or mounting platform or surrounding surface, does not include damage to allied or associated equipment which may result for any reason from use with this Product, and does not include Product failure caused by accident, disaster, negligence, improper installation, misuse (e.g. overdriving the amplifier or speaker, excessive heat or cold or humidity, outdoor installation), or from service or repair which has not been authorized by Sonance.

Obtaining Authorized Service: To qualify for the warranty, you (1) must contact your authorized Sonance Dealer/Installer or call Sonance Customer Service at (800) 582-0772 within the warranty period, (2) must obtain a return merchandise number (RMA), and (3) deliver the Product to Sonance shipping prepaid during the warranty period, together with the original sales receipt, invoice or other satisfactory proof of purchase.



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