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## USER MANUAL

MODEL:

**SPK-C613**Open-back Ceiling Speakers

P/N: 2900-300203 Rev 1



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## 1 Introduction

Welcome to Kramer Electronics! Since 1981, Kramer Electronics has been providing a world of unique, creative, and affordable solutions to the vast range of problems that confront video, audio, presentation, and broadcasting professionals on a daily basis. In recent years, we have redesigned and upgraded most of our line, making the best even better!

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Congratulations on purchasing your Kramer **SPK-C613** Open-back Ceiling Speakers, which are ideal for the following typical applications:

- Array installations
- Conference rooms
- Educational classrooms

- Presentation venues
- Training rooms
- Hotel lobbies

The package includes one of each of the following items:

- A pair of SPK-C613 speakers
- A cardboard template
- This user manual

## 2 Getting Started

We recommend that you:

- Unpack the equipment carefully and save the original box and packaging materials for possible future shipment
- Review the contents of this user manual
- Use Kramer high-performance high-resolution cables



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## 2.1 Achieving the Best Performance

To achieve the best performance:

- Use only good quality connection cables (such as the Kramer BC-2S) to avoid interference, deterioration in signal quality due to poor matching, and elevated noise levels (often associated with low quality cables)
- Do not secure the cables in tight bundles or roll the slack into tight coils
- Avoid interference from neighboring electrical appliances that may adversely influence signal quality
- Position your Kramer SPK-C613 away from moisture, excessive sunlight and dust



To ensure that you obtain the best sound results, do not open the housing of the passive speaker or the active speaker.

## 3 Overview

The **SPK-C613** speakers include a pair of high performance *Open-back Ceiling speakers* that can be mounted on the ceiling. The optional Kramer Suspended Ceiling Speaker Mounting Kit (**SKIC**) can safely secure the speakers to the ceiling as well. The **SPK-C613** speakers feature a multi tap power transformer for selecting  $8\Omega$  (bypassing the transformer) or 70V/100V power settings suitable for array installation.

<u>Figure 1</u> shows an example of how the Open-back Ceiling speakers can be installed in a boardroom setup:

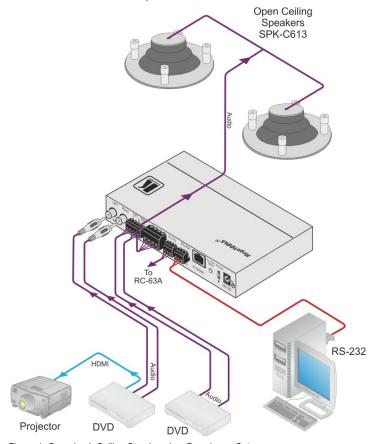


Figure 1: Open-back Ceiling Speakers in a Boardroom Setup

## 4 Your SPK-C613

Figure 2 defines the SPK-C613:



Figure 2: SPK-C613 Open-back Ceiling Speakers

The speaker black and red stereo sockets connect to the black and red sockets of the amplifier (see the wiring example in Figure 9).

The following table defines the Open-back ceiling speaker hardware items (per speaker pair):



The following table defines the items that make up the optional Suspended Ceiling Speaker Mounting Kit (SKIC):



Each Open-back ceiling speaker is supported by a C-ring and two tile rails. The tile rails prevent the speakers from falling if the tile itself comes out or falls apart, as their ends catch onto the T-grid.

When mounting onto the ceiling tiles, use both supports. When mounting onto a sheetrock ceiling, the C-ring alone is used to reinforce the ceiling material.



Be sure that the tiles can support the speaker. Smaller sized tiles or fiberglass-type tiles cannot support the weight of the speakers. When this is the case, the speakers will need additional support.

## 5 Installing the Open-back Ceiling Speakers

This section explains how to install the Open-back ceiling speakers, that is:

- Choosing the best place to locate your speakers (see Section 5.1)
- Cutting the ceiling tile (see <u>Section 5.2</u>)
- Installing the speakers (see Section 5.3)
- Array installation general guidelines (see <u>Section 5.4</u>)
- Painting the speakers (see Section 5.5)

## 5.1 Choosing the Best Location

Ideally, locate the speakers above the main listening area. Before doing so, be sure that:

- The desired location is free of obstructions, such as electrical piping, AC ducts or water lines, and so on
- There is enough space behind the mounting surface for the speakers
- The rear side of the speaker is not blocked by wall studs or other objects

## 5.2 Cutting the Ceiling Tile

To cut the ceiling tile, do the following:

- Remove the circle in the supplied template.
   Keep this template for later use as a mask, as you may want to paint the speakers (see Section 5.4)
- 2. Mark the opening in the correct location by tracing the hole in the template.
- Cut out the hole according to the template or with a circular cutter set to the appropriate cutout size.
  - Initially, you can cut a smaller area inside the marked hole just to be sure that the space above the speakers is clear
- Route the wiring from the amplifier to the speakers' cutout holes, taking care
  not to place them next to electrical wires or at least at a distance of about
  two feet from an AC line.



Do not nail or staple the speaker wires.

If you are mounting the speakers onto a ceiling tile, remove the ceiling tiles where you plan to install the speakers. Use the template to trace and then cutout the speaker hole over an empty box.

The open-back ceiling speakers are supported by the ceiling mounting kit (two C-rings and two pairs of tile rails. The tile rails prevent the speakers from falling if the tile itself comes out or falls apart, as their ends catch onto the T-grid). When mounting onto the ceiling tiles, use both supports.



Be sure that the tiles can support the speaker. Smaller sized tiles or fiberglass-type tiles cannot support the weight of the speakers. When this is the case, the speakers will need additional support.

When mounting onto a sheetrock ceiling, the C-ring alone is used to reinforce the ceiling material.

## 5.3 Mounting the Open Back Ceiling Speakers

To mount the Open-back Ceiling speakers, do the following:

- Remove the grille over the speakers by inserting a paper clip into one of the grille openings and pulling it upward.
- Position the mounting tabs (see <u>Figure 3</u>) inward.



Figure 3: Position Mounting Tab

Adjust each speaker to the appropriate tap setting before installing the grille (see Figure 4).

Set the tap according to the power requirements of the speaker based on its location in the room (for example, a speaker located in a remote corner would require additional power)



Figure 4: Adjust Tap Selector



For 100V installations, DO NOT set the tapping switch beyond 30W. Doing so may cause damage to both the speaker and the amplifier.

- 4. Insert the supplied screws into the screw openings from the front of the speakers.
- 5. Connect the speaker wires to the speaker terminals.
- Insert the speaker into the opening and tighten the screws.
   When tightening the screws, the tabs automatically turn outward, thus clamping the speaker to the wall from its rear side.



Do not over-tighten the screws. It may cause damage to both the speakers and the surface.

7. Push the grille firmly into the slot in the speaker baffle.

### 5.3.1 Using the Suspended Ceiling Speaker Mounting Kit (Optional)

To install the Open-back ceiling speakers using the mounting kit, do the following:

Place the C-ring over the hole cut in the ceiling tile (on the "ceiling" side).
 Place it around the hole so that the tabs are located in parallel to the tile edges (see <u>Figure 5</u>).

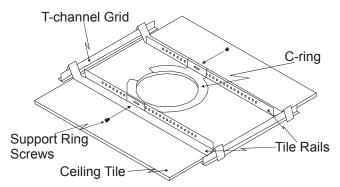


Figure 5: Installing the Open-back Ceiling Speakers

- Place the tile rails on the tile and snap them into the two tabs on the C-ring.Align the rails so that the ends extend over the T-channel grid.
- 3. Insert a screw through each tab on the C-ring to secure the rails.
- 4. Connect the speaker wires to the speaker terminals.
- Insert the speaker into the opening and tighten the screws.
   When tightening the screws, the tabs automatically turn outward, thus clamping the speaker to the wall from its rear side.



Do not over-tighten the screws. It may cause damage to both the speakers and the surface.

6. Push the grille firmly into the slot in the speaker baffle.

Check that the grille is securely seated.

To remove the grille, insert two bent paper clips into the holes in the grille and carefully pull it down. Repeat this around the perimeter of the grille until it is completely removed

## 5.4 Array Installation

When installing **SPK-C613** in an array installation layout, you have to define the distance between speakers as well as the layout pattern (square or hexagonal). The distance between speakers is set according to the speakers' dispersion angle (see Figure 6), the uniformity of the coverage desired and the budget.

# Actual LISTENING PLANE Coverage of Speaker with 120° POLAR Spec

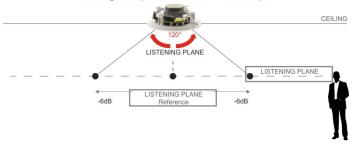


Figure 6: The Speaker Coverage Area

The coverage angle of the speaker determines the coverage area and the number of speakers required in the array installation. Two patterns are usually used for array installations, square (see <a href="Figure 7">Figure 7</a>) or hexagonal (see <a href="Figure 8">Figure 8</a>), depending on the shape of the installation area. The speakers are positioned according to their coverage area.



Figure 7: Square Layout

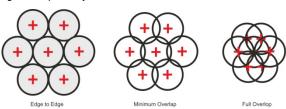


Figure 8: Hexagonal Layout

You can set the power on each speaker to get the desired power level in different installation areas.

Figure 9 shows an example of parallel wiring in a square array installation:

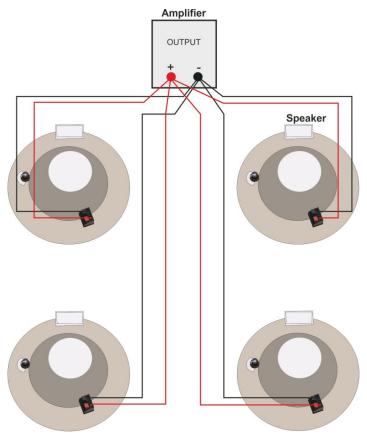


Figure 9: Square Layout Parallel Wiring

## 5.5 Painting the Speaker

You can paint the speakers before or after the speakers are installed. When painting before installation:

- Clean the rim and grille with mineral spirits or other light solvent that is unlikely to damage the surface
- Spray with color by holding the spray can at an angle of 45°



When spraying the grille, take care not to clog the holes in the grille as this will greatly reduce the sound quality of the speakers.

When painting after installation:

- Use the circle that you cut out of the template as a paint mask
- · After you finish painting, remove the paint mask

## 6 Technical Specifications

Audio and Power			
DESCRIPTION:	2-way open ceiling speakers		
HIGH FREQUENCY DRIVER:	1/2" MYLAR dome tweeter		
LOW FREQUENCY DRIVER:	6.5" Polypropylene cone with rubber edge woofer		
IMPEDANCE:	8Ω		
DISPERSION COVERAGE:	120° @2000Hz		
CROSSOVER FREQUENCY:	3kHz		
NOMINAL SENSITIVITY:	84dB SPL @1m, 1W		
DIRECTIVITY FACTOR (Q):	5.1 (averaged 100Hz – 10kHz); 6.2 (2kHz)		
DIRECTIVITY INDEX (DI):	6.8dB (averaged 100Hz – 10kHz); 5.0dB (2kHz)		
FREQUENCY RESPONSE:	60Hz to 20kHz		
INPUT POWER:	30W RMS, 60W Max., continuous load (24hr) 30W		
TRANSFORMER:	70V – 3.7W/7.5W/15W/30W 100V – 7.5W/15W/30W		
RECOMMENDED AMPLIFIER POWER:	30W		
INPUT CONNECTOR:	Spring Type Push Terminal Block		
Shipping and Installation			
WEIGHT PER SINGLE SPEAKER:	1.65kg (3.65lbs) approx.		
SHIPPING WEIGHT (FOR PAIR):	4.3kg (9.48lbs) approx.		
DIMENSIONS (OD):	23cm (9.06")		
CUT OUT SIZE (MOUNT DIMENSION):	19.5cm (7.68")		
MOUNT DEPTH:	7.5cm (2.95")		
ACCESSORIES:	Ceiling mounting kit		
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