USG is offering a new accessory option making it easy to create stylish and organized utility channels using standard grid. The USG Brand Utility Module Bracket (UMB) enables a versatile and economic approach to integrated ceiling design. The USG Utility Module Bracket can be used to create a dramatic suspended ceiling design statement with standard suspension system grid components.

This innovative grid accessory gives everyone from the architect and designer to the contractor and the installation crew the freedom and flexibility to transform traditional acoustical ceiling grid into a tailored design that integrates overhead functions, systems, and components. Now, even small spaces can be easily transformed into exciting, inspirational environments using standard suspension system grid. The UMB can be used to create 4 in., 6 in., 100 mm, and 150 mm utility channels and is compatible with three USG standard grid types. More details and step-by-step instructions for installing the UMB are included in this guide.
Overview

The USG Utility Module Bracket (UMB) is a convenient and versatile suspension system accessory designed to easily create 4 in., 6 in., 100 mm, and 150 mm utility channels with standard USG ceiling grid. The USG Utility Module Bracket is designed to work with USG Centricite™ DXT™/DXLT™, DX®/DXL™, and Identitee® DXI™ ceiling grid.

**GRID PROFILES**

- **USG Centricitee DXT™/DXLT™**
  - Center indexing tab
  - 4" channel tabs
  - 6" channel tabs

- **DX®/DXL™**
  - Center indexing tab
  - 100 mm channel tabs
  - 150 mm channel tabs

- **Identitee® DXI™**
  - Center indexing tab
  - 4 mm

**UTILITY CHANNEL OPTIONS**

- **4 in. or 100 mm Utility Channel**
- **6 in. or 150 mm Utility Channel**
Overview

Indexing Tab In-Line with Keyhole

Indexing Tab Off-Line with Keyhole

Ashlar DH3 Seismic Application

DXT and DXI Web Tabs

With some products, there will be interference between the UMB and the panel centering tabs along the grid body. In order to install the UMB properly, these tabs need to be compressed with a channel lock or large pliers.
TYPES OF CONDITIONS

ASHLAR CONDITION
• Utility channel is non-continuous, positioned independently between two main tees.
• One UMB required on each end.
• DH3 for seismic applications.
See page 11.

CONTINUOUS CONDITION
• Utility channels continue across main tees creating linear, uninterrupted appearance.
• Two UMBs required at each main tee.
See page 6.

ASHLAR CONDITION, ALTERNATE
• Utility channel is non-continuous, positioned independently between two main tees and placed opposite a single cross tee.
• One UMB required on each end.
See page 15.

Overview

Before installing the UMBs, review the placement of the utility channels relative to the main tees and cross tees in the Logix installation to determine the placement and number of UMB brackets required at each junction. There are three types of conditions.
USG UTILITY MODULE BRACKET

Overview

- Eight brackets
- 250 pop rivets
- convenient pail

TOOLs FOR INSTALLATION

- Hole Punch
- Rivet Gun
- Aviation Snips
- Channel Locks
CONTINUOUS CONDITION

INSTALLATION

• Utility channels continue across main tees creating linear, uninterrupted appearance.
• Two UMBs are required.
• Install all the necessary UMBs prior to securing the cross tees.
• For DXT and DXI, compress the web tabs with large pliers or channel locks prior to installing the UMB.
• Where the centerline of the utility channel does not align with a cross tee hole in the main tee, the UMB may be secured to the main tee without inserting the center indexing tab through the tee.

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CONTINUOUS CONDITION

View from Above

Continuous Condition

UMB with Folded Tabs

Completed Assembly
CONTINUOUS CONDITION

INSTALLATION

STEP 1
Determine the centerline of the utility opening.

STEP 2
Fold out the center indexing tab on the first UMB 90° and insert it through the cross tee hole on the main tee. Then, bend it back 90°.

STEP 3
Using the UMB as a template, punch attachment holes through the main tee.
CONTINUOUS CONDITION

INSTALLATION

STEP 4
Repeat Step 2 on the opposing side of the main tee.

STEP 5
Secure both UMBs to the main tee by inserting pop rivets through the pilot holes created in Step 3.

STEP 6
Fold out the attachment tabs per the utility channel opening on both UMBs.
- **4 in. or 100 mm utility channels**: Fold inner tabs.
- **6 in. or 150 mm utility channels**: Fold outer tabs.
**INSTALLATION**

**STEP 7**
Using snips, cut off the cross tee clips through the center of the hourglass shape.

**STEP 8**
Place the tee aligning the hole against the out-folded tabs (four tabs total)

**STEP 9**
With the tee held tight against the outside of the UMB tab, secure the tee with the two pop rivets provided (four tabs total).
CONTINUOUS CONDITION

INSTALLATION
GENERAL CONSIDERATIONS

- Utility channel is non-continuous, positioned independently between two main tees.
- One UMB is required.
- Install all the necessary UMBs prior to securing the cross tees.
- For DXT and DXI, compress the web tabs with large pliers or channel locks prior to installing the UMB.
- Where the centerline of the utility channel does not align with a cross tee hole in the main tee, the UMB may be secured to the main tee without inserting the center indexing tab through the tee.

INSTALLATION

**Ashlar Condition**

- Main Tee
- Cross tee

**View from Above**

- 6" channel tabs
- 4" channel tabs
- Cross tee
- Utility Module Bracket
- Attach tabs with pop rivets
- Cross tee
- Main tee

**UMB with Folded Tabs**

- Main tee
- Cross tee
- Center indexing tab
- 4" channel tabs
- Utility Module Bracket
- 6" channel tabs

**Completed Assembly**

- Main tee
- Cross tee
- Center indexing tab
- 4" channel tabs
- Utility Module Bracket
- 6" channel tabs
Step 1
Determine the centerline of utility opening.

Step 2
Fold out the center indexing tab on the UMB 90° and insert it through the cross tee hole on the main tee. Then, bend it back 90°.

Step 3
Using the UMB as a template, punch attachment holes through the main tee.
INSTALLATION

STEP 4

Secure the UMB to the main tee by inserting pop rivets through the pilot holes from Step 3.

STEP 5

Fold out the attachment tabs per the utility channel opening.
- **4 in. or 100 mm utility channels**: Fold inner tabs.
- **6 in. or 150 mm utility channels**: Fold outer tabs.

STEP 6

Using snips, cut off the cross tee clips through the center of the hourglass shape.
**ASHLAR CONDITION**

**INSTALLATION**

**STEP 7**
Place the tee aligning the hole against the out-folded tabs.

**STEP 8**
With the tee held tight against the outside of the UMB tab, secure the tee with the two pop rivets provided.

**FINISHED ASSEMBLY**
**ASHLAR CONDITION, ALTERNATE**

**INSTALLATION**

- Utility channel is non-continuous, positioned independently between two main tees and placed opposite a single cross tee.
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- Install all the necessary UMBs prior to securing the cross tees.
- For DXT and DXI, compress the web tabs with large pliers or channel locks prior to installing the UMB.
- Where the centerline of the utility channel does not align with a cross tee hole in the main tee, the UMB may be secured to the main tee without inserting the center indexing tab through the tee.

![Diagram of Ashlar Condition, Alternate](image)

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INSTALLATION

STEP 1
Determine the centerline of the utility opening.

STEP 2
Fold out the center indexing tab on the UMB 90° and insert it through the cross tee hole on the main tee.

STEP 3
Using the UMB as a template, punch attachment holes through the main tee.
STEP 4

Secure the UMB to the main tee by inserting pop rivets through the pilot holes from Step 3.

STEP 5

Fold out the attachment tabs per the utility channel opening.

- **4 in. or 100 mm utility channels**: Fold inner tabs
- **6 in. or 150 mm utility channels**: Fold outer tabs

STEP 6

Using snips, cut off the cross tee clips through the center of the hourglass shape.
ASHLAR CONDITION, ALTERNATE

INSTALLATION

STEP 7
Place the tee aligning the hole against the out-folded tabs.

STEP 8
With the tee held tight against the outside of the UMB tab, secure the tee with the two pop rivets provided.

STEP 9
Insert the remaining opposing tee into the keyhole as normal, aligning the hole against the out-folded center indexing tab.
INSTALLATION

With the tee held tight against the center index tab of the UMB, secure the tee with the two pop rivets provided.
PRODUCT INFORMATION
See usg.com for the most up-to-date product information.

INSTALLATION
Must be installed in compliance with ASTM C636, ASTM E580, CISCA and standard industry practices, within all applicable code requirements. Alternative assemblies and installation methods may be utilized when approved by the Authority Having Jurisdiction. USG recommends checking with the Authority Having Jurisdiction prior to designing and installing a suspended ceiling system.

CODE COMPLIANCE
The information presented is correct to the best of our knowledge at the date of issuance. Because codes continue to evolve, check with a local official prior to designing and installing a ceiling system. Other restrictions and exemptions may apply. This is only intended as a quick installation reference.

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