# OWNER'S MANUAL

# AIM MDU Surface Mount Speaker System



Speaker Craft

AIM MDU One

#### INTRODUCTION

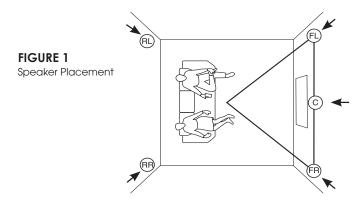
Congratulations on your purchase of the AIM MDU Surface Mount Speakers. Speakercraft guarantees that you will enjoy your speakers for many years to come. However, to be sure you optimize their performance please read this manual carefully.

#### SPEAKER PLACEMENT

When following the below recommendations, please keep in mind that placement can be on the ceilings or walls. The AIM MDU speakers can be used as a pair for stereo listening, or for all five channels of a home theater system: front left and right, center, and rear left and right. Speakercraft recommends the use of a qualified custom installation specialist when installing your speakers. If you need assistance in locating an installer, please contact Speakercraft at 1-800-448-0976.

### **Determine Your Primary Listening Area**

The area where you will most likely be sitting when listening to your speakers is your primary listening area.



# Placement of Stereo Pair / Front Channels for Home Theater

Consider how far apart the speakers should be. To do this, think of your listening area as one tip of a triangle with each leg of the triangle being equal. See speakers FL (front left) and FR (front right) in **Figure 1.** Place the speakers as close as possible to the two points the represent on the triangle. If the speakers are to be part of a home theater speaker system, they should be placed as close as possible to the area.

#### Placement of Center Channel for Home Theater

Place the center channel speaker in line between the front left and right speaker directly above the screen. See C (center) in **Figure 1.** 

#### Placement of Rear Channels for Home Theater

Rear channels should be placed behind the listening area. See RL (rear left) and RR (rear right) in Figure 1.

## **INSTALLATION CONSIDERATIONS**

Prior to the actual installation of the speakers, it will be necessary to run cables to the speaker location. See your Authorized Speakercraft dealer for more information on cable installation. After the cable has been installed, you are ready to mount your speakers.

#### SYSTEM COMPONENTS

#### Included in this carton:

- 1 each MDU Speaker with Mounting Bracket
- 1 each Grille
- 1 each Beauty Plate
- Mounting Hardware
- Wire Nuts
- 1 each Pigtail (speaker wire)

#### SPEAKER WIRING AND MOUNTING

Follow steps 1 through 6 and refer to **Illustration** on page 3.

#### Step 1

Connect the pigtail wire to the speaker wire protruding from the ceiling. Observe the proper polarity with your amplifier (+ to + and - to -). Make sure to connect the proper speaker. Left amp channel to left speaker, right amp channel to right speaker, left rear amp channel to left rear amp speaker, right rear amp channel to right rear speaker. Use the two wire nuts to ensure a safe connection. See Figure 2. NOTE: Polarity for the pigtail (speaker wires) is red for + and black for -.

#### Step 2

Fish the speaker and seismic wire protruding from the mounting bracket through the beauty plate, then connect the pigtail to the speaker wire protruding from the bracket. See Figure 3.

#### Step 3

The seismic wire was added for extra security during an earthquake. If you choose to use it, be sure to secure it to the stud before moving on to step 4.

#### Step 4

Mount the beauty plate to either the standard junction box or directly onto the stud. See Figure 4.

WARNING: Never mount directly onto drywall. A set of good quality wood screws and machine screws for junction box mounting were included for your convenience.

CAUTION: Extra care should be taken to avoid pinching the speaker wires when securing the beauty plate.

#### Step 5

Now that the beauty plate is secured, attached the mounting bracket/speaker onto the plate. Align the screw hole on the plate with the screw hole on the bracket and secure them together. The proper screw size for this step was included in the packaging for your convenience. See Figure 5.

#### Step 6

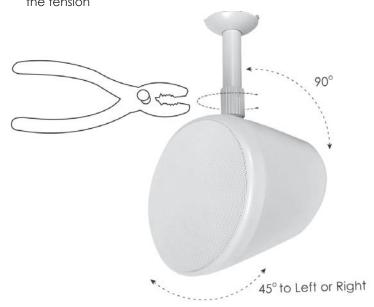
The speaker cabinet is designed to rotate 45 degrees towards the left or right position, and 90 degrees towards the rear. To tilt to the desired position, simply rotate it by hand. The proper tension has been pre-determined at the factory. This will allow the cabinet to remain fixed in the desired position after tilting. Over time the tension could decrease slightly, and may need to be tightened. To do so, tighten the locking knob located on the bracket using a pair of rubberized pliers or a 13% a" wrench. If using a wrench, extra care should be taken to avoid damaging the finish. See Figure 6.



FIGURE 4



**FIGURE 6**Tilting and tightening the tension





# WALL MOUNTING

Example



# **SPECIFICATIONS**

#### AIM MDU One

**Speaker Type:** 2-Way In-Ceiling Speaker

**High Frequency Driver:** 1" Silk Dome Tweeter with Ferro

Fluid cooled Motor Structure

**Low Frequency Driver:** 4" IMG Woofer

**Impedance:** 8 ohm compatible

Sensitivity: 87dB 1W/1m

Frequency Response: 78Hz - 20kHz

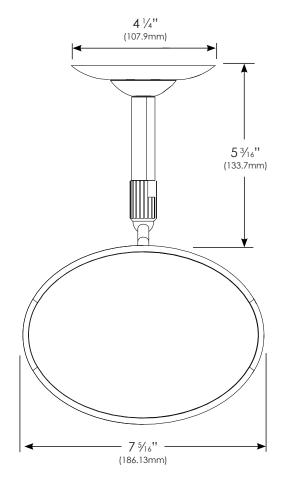
**Power Recommendations:** 5 -100 watts

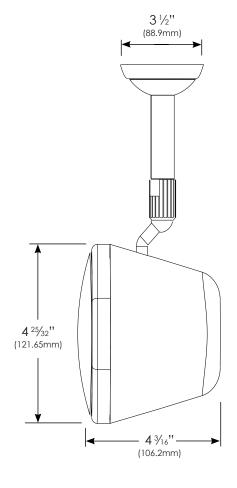
Finish: White

Weight: 10 lbs.

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# **DIMENSIONS**







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