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ESSI Acoustical Products Company



#### **1. Product Names**

- ESSI Absorber Panels
- ESSI Barrel-Shaped Diffuser Panels
- ESSI Pyramid-Shaped Diffuser Panels
- ESSI Radial Reflector Panel
- ESSI Flat Reflector Panel

### 2. Manufacturer

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## **3. Product Description**

To achieve critical listening, a music environment must have the proper combination of absorption, reflection and diffusion; when these three are installed in tandem appropriate to the space and usage, excessive loudness is controlled, subtle sounds are crisper and sound is distributed consistently throughout the listening area, which dramatically improves acoustics.

#### **Basic Use—ESSI Absorber Panels**

Used to tailor the reverberation and loudness in a room. Ideally suited for the widest range of environments.

#### **Basic Use—ESSI Diffuser Panels**

Used on walls and ceilings, diffuser panels scatters and blends sounds. Polycylindrical in shape, diffuser panels eliminate echoes, flutters, hot spots and dead spots. The shaped surfaces used individually or in combination with other ESSI acoustical components disburse reflected sound evenly throughout the listening space.

#### ESSI Pyramid-Shaped Diffuser Panels

Used in any music facility requiring outstanding acoustical performance. The shaped surfaces used individually or in combination with other ESSI acoustical components disburse reflected sound evenly throughout the listening space.

Used in combination with ESSI Absorber Panels and ESSI Barrel-Shaped Diffuser Panels for finely tuning acoustical efficiency and sound quality. For wall and ceilings.

#### ESSI Barrel-Shaped Diffuser Panels

Designed for band, choral and orchestral facilities requiring outstanding acoustical performance. The shaped surfaces





ESSI Flat Reflector Panels used on ceiling



ESSI Barrel-Shaped Diffuser Panels inserted into existing hanging ceiling system and on walls

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School Panel System

used individually or in combination with other ESSI acoustical components disburse reflected sound evenly throughout the listening space.

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#### **Basic Use—ESSI Flat and Radial Reflector Panels**

Designed for large spaces requiring improved sound, directivity, strength and timing of reflections from the ceiling area, flat and radial reflectors are ideal for auditoriums, lecture halls and performing arts centers. For ceilings.

#### **Composition and Materials—ESSI Absorber Panels**

Fabricated with sound absorptive glass-fiber, these panels are engineered to absorb sound from across a broader frequency range.

#### **Composition and Materials—ESSI Diffuser Panels**

These units are constructed of stable, rigid e-glass to enhance diffusion of all frequencies.

Optional internal absorber (IA) selectively absorbs low frequencies and optional internal liner (IL) increases reflectivity.

#### ESSI Pyramid-Shaped Diffuser Panels

Molded, rigid e-glass lined with glass fiber batting in an offset pyramid shape to address specific acoustical applications. Both optional fire-retardant K-cell<sup>M</sup> internal liner (IL) and internal absorber (IA) are available.

#### ESSI Barrel-Shaped Diffuser Panels

Made of rigid fiberglass molded into a one-piece barrel shape for high-impact strength and hardness—yet, lightweight for ease of installation.

#### Composition and Materials—ESSI Flat and Radial Reflector Panels

A flat pan-shaped or radial-shaped e-glass lined with K-cell foam core stiffener with suspension trapezes embedded into to the panel back.



ESSI Barrel-Shaped Diffuser Panels used on walls

Optional internal absorber (IA) selectively absorbs low frequencies and optional internal liner (IL) increases reflectivity.

#### **Finishes and Fabric Coverings**

- Standard white gel coat
- Optional paintable gel coat; paintable with oil-based and acrylic paints
- Optional fabric coverings: Guilford FR 701° Style 2100 (Terratex®) or custom fabric covering; panels may be covered with virtually any upholstery-weight fabric or vinyl; added customizing may be applied to wallcoverings for decor and signage.; consult with manufacturer for details concerning factory-applied digital imaging custom graphics or for additional information

#### **Sizes and Thickness**

See Table 1.

## 4. Technical Data

#### **Applicable Standards**

#### American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM)

- ASTM C423 Standard Test Method for Sound Absorption and Sound Absorption Coefficients by the Reverberation Room Method
- **ASTM E84** Standard Test Method for Surface Burning Characteristics of Building Materials
- **ASTM E795** Standard Practices for Mounting Test Specimens During Sound Absorption Tests

#### Sound Performance

#### **ESSI Absorbers**

Minimum NRC (noise reduction coefficient) when tested to ASTM C423 and ASTM E795:

• 1 inch (25.4 mm) thick panel—0.80



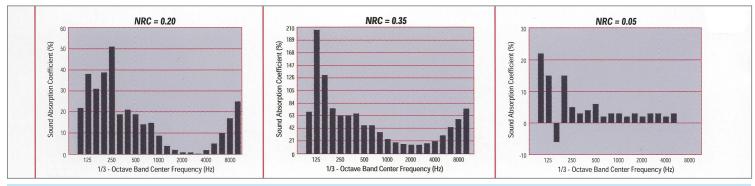
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Table 1—Sizes, Thicknesses and Applications			
Panel	Model	Sizes (Width × Length × Depth)	Application
ESSI Radial Reflector Panel <sup>+</sup> (All ESSI Radial Reflector Panels have a 10' radius; actual depth is determined by the length of the panel.)	R3.44 R44 R64 R74 R84 R104 R63 R73	40" × 48" (1016 mm × 1219 mm) 48" × 48" (1219 mm × 1219 mm) 57" × 48" (1447.8 mm × 1219 mm) 72" × 48" (1828.8 mm × 1219 mm) 84" × 48" (2133.6 mm × 1219 mm) 96" × 48" (2438.4 mm × 1219 mm) 120" × 48" (3048 mm × 1219 mm) 72" × 36" (1828.8 mm × 914.4 mm) 84" × 36" (2133.6 mm × 914.4 mm)	Ceilings
ESSI Flat Reflector Panel <sup>+</sup>	RF44 RF84	48" × 48" × 1.5" (1219 mm × 1219 mm × 39.6 mm) 96" × 48" × 1.5" (2438.4 mm × 1219 mm × 39.6 mm)	Ceilings
<b>ESSI Absorber Panels</b> Available in 1", $1\frac{1}{2}$ ", 2", 3" and 4" thicknesses (add $\frac{1}{3}$ " to thickness for tackable panels).	W106	Available up to 48" × 120" (1219 mm × 3048 mm)	Wall and ceilings
<b>ESSI Barrel-Shaped Diffuser Panels</b> <sup>+</sup> Radius on short dimension.	D12×22 D1.49 *D22 *D24 D26 D33 D34 D35 D36 *D44 D45 D46 D48	$12'' \times 22'' \times 7'' (304.8 \text{ mm} \times 558.8 \text{ mm} \times 177.8 \text{ mm})$ $16'' \times 108'' \times 7'' (406.4 \text{ mm} \times 2743.2 \text{ mm} \times 177.8 \text{ mm})$ $23'' \times 23'' \times 7'' (584.2 \text{ mm} \times 584.2 \text{ mm} \times 177.8 \text{ mm})$ $23'' \times 47'' \times 7'' (584.2 \text{ mm} \times 193.8 \text{ mm} \times 177.8 \text{ mm})$ $23'' \times 71'' \times 7'' (584.2 \text{ mm} \times 1803.4 \text{ mm} \times 177.8 \text{ mm})$ $35'' \times 35'' \times 7'' (889 \text{ mm} \times 889 \text{ mm} \times 177.8 \text{ mm})$ $35'' \times 47'' \times 7'' (889 \text{ mm} \times 193.8 \text{ mm} \times 177.8 \text{ mm})$ $35'' \times 59'' \times 7'' (889 \text{ mm} \times 1893.4 \text{ mm} \times 177.8 \text{ mm})$ $35'' \times 71'' \times 7'' (193.8 \text{ mm} \times 193.8 \text{ mm} \times 177.8 \text{ mm})$ $47'' \times 47'' \times 7'' (193.8 \text{ mm} \times 193.8 \text{ mm} \times 177.8 \text{ mm})$ $47'' \times 7'' (193.8 \text{ mm} \times 1803.4 \text{ mm} \times 177.8 \text{ mm})$ $47'' \times 7'' (193.8 \text{ mm} \times 1803.4 \text{ mm} \times 177.8 \text{ mm})$ $47''' \times 7'' (193.8 \text{ mm} \times 1803.4 \text{ mm} \times 177.8 \text{ mm})$ $47''' \times 7''' (193.8 \text{ mm} \times 1803.4 \text{ mm} \times 177.8 \text{ mm})$ $47''' \times 7''' (193.8 \text{ mm} \times 1803.4 \text{ mm} \times 177.8 \text{ mm})$	Wall and ceilings
ESSI Barrel-Shaped Diffuser Panels <sup>+</sup> Radius on long dimension.	*D42 D43 D53 D62 D63 D64 D84	47" × 23" × 7" (1193.8 mm × 584.2 mm × 177.8 mm) 47" × 35" × 7" (1193.8 mm × 889 mm × 177.8 mm) 59" × 35" × 7" (1498.6 mm × 889 mm × 177.8 mm) 71" × 23" × 7" (1803.4 mm × 584.2 mm × 177.8 mm) 71" × 35" × 7" (1803.4 mm × 889 mm × 177.8 mm) 71" × 47" × 7" (1803.4 mm × 1193.8 mm × 177.8 mm) 95" × 47" × 7" (2413 mm × 1193.8 mm × 177.8 mm)	Wall and ceilings
ESSI Pyramid-Shaped Diffuser Panels <sup>+</sup>	*P22 *P24 *P44	23.75" × 23.75" × 8" (603.3 mm × 603.3 mm × 203 mm) 23.75" × 47.75" × 12.5" (603.3 mm × 1212.9 mm × 317.5 mm) 47.75" × 47.75" × 12.5" (1212.9 mm × 1212.9 mm × 317.5 mm)	Walls and ceilings
* Available for lay-in application into 5/6" wide standard ceiling grid system			

\* Available for lay-in application into 546" wide standard ceiling grid syste † Optional IA or IL available

#### Illustration 1—

Left: standard diffuser or reflector; Center: diffuser or reflector with internal absorber (IA); Right: diffuser or reflector with internal liner (IL)



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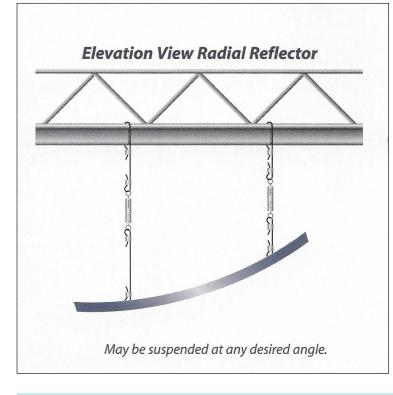
Interactive Panel System

• Guilford of Maine panel fabrics are made from 100 percent recycled polyester or renewable materials (as are many other manufacturers' panel fabrics) and can be recycled or composted at the end of their service life

#### **ESSI Absorber Panels**

- The fiberglass core component material of ESSI Absorber Panels incorporates is a proprietary binder based on rapidly renewable bio-based materials, contains no phenol, formaldehyde, acrylics or artificial colors
- Fiberglass components are 40 percent recycled







**Classroom application** 

• ESSI Absorber Panels may meet eligibility requirements for LEED® 2009 MR Credit 4: Recycled Content or MR Credit 6: Rapidly Renewable Materials

# **5. Installation** Preparatory Work

Materials should be delivered in original, unopened cartons and stored in an enclosed shelter providing protection from damage and exposure to the elements. Before installation, panels should be stored in immediate installation area for sufficient time to stabilize temperature and humidity conditions during installation and anticipated occupancy.

Do not begin installation of wall panels until all wet work such as concrete, plastering and terrazzo is completely and thoroughly dried out.

Do not proceed with installation of wall panels until building is closed in and the HVAC system is capable of maintaining a temperature of 60-85 degrees F (16-29 C) at not more than 70 percent relative humidity.

Handle and store products according to ESSI Acoustical Products Company recommendations.

#### **Methods**

- **Mechanical clips:** two-part panel Z-clips, with one part attached to back of panel and the other part to wall, included
- **Impaling plates**: metal impaling plates mechanically attached to wall, included
- Velcro<sup>®</sup> fasteners: two-part Velcro fasteners adhesively attached to wall and to back of panels, included
- **Magnetic hangers**: wo-part magnetic tape system with magnetic tape adhesively attached to wall and to back of panel, included
- Adhesive: glue-up method using a manufacturer recommended contact adhesive applied to back of panels, included



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- ESSI Pyramid-Shaped Diffuser Panels have color-coordinated screw fasteners, included
- Some ceiling panels insert into existing hanging ceiling systems, no fastening needed
- ESSI Radial Reflector Panels used in ceilings have manufacturer custom attachment system, included—see Illustration 2

Follow manufacturer's instructions. A leveling angle should always be used at the bottom edge of panels to ensure a true, level lineup of panel edges.

# 6. Availability and Cost

#### Availability

Contact ESSI Acoustical Products Company for information on product availability.

#### Cost

Budget installed cost information may be obtained through the manufacturer. Contact ESSI Acoustical Products Company for more information.

# 7. Warranty

For a period of two (2) years from the date of delivery, ESSI Acoustical Products (EAP) warrants the products to be free from defects in material and workmanship. Buyer's sole and exclusive remedy against EAP shall be for the repair or replacement of defective products. Buyer agrees that no other remedy (including, but not limited to, incidental or consequential damages for lost profits, lost sales, injury to person or property or any other incidental or consequential loss) shall be available. Buver expressly waives all other warranties, expressed or implied. including, but not limited to, the implied warranties of fitness for a particular purpose or merchantability; EAP specifically disclaims any such warranties. Failure to give EAP immediate written notice of any allowable claim regarding the product shall operate to relieve EAP of liability of such claim. Buyer acknowledges and agrees that there are no warranties regarding the products or EAP that extend beyond the face hereof.

## 8. Maintenance

Cleaning instructions vary depending on panel fabrics and service conditions. Contact manufacturer for more information.

# 9. Technical Services

A staff of factory trained personnel offers design assistance and technical support. For technical assistance, contact ESSI Acoustical Products Company.



ESSI Barrel-Shaped Diffuser Panels used on walls

# **10. Filing Systems**

- Manu-Spec®
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- Additional product information is available from the manufacturer upon request برم

