Active Chilled Beam cassette style beams are induction driven, heating and cooling terminal units that are designed for highly efficient energy transfer. Common ceiling applications include integration into T-bar ceiling grids, plaster ceilings, and exposed ceilings (some accessories may be required for installation into specific ceiling types).

Pre-installation

The installer is to provide the following:

- Required secondary water piping and valves including isolation valves, balancing valves, flow control zone valves and other valves/controls as specified.
- Primary air volume control balancing damper.
- All mounting hardware (threaded rods, cables, nuts, etc.) and primary air flexible ducting.
- For dry wall or plaster ceilings an additional trim frame kit is required.
- Any other items necessary to complete the installation

NOTE: Dadanco provides several accessories to complement your installation. Please reference the Accessories brochure or contact Dadanco for available accessories. When possible please use a cart and a hoist to transport and raise the beams. Remember to wear proper personal protection equipment.

Unit Construction

Each ceiling-mounted cassette active chilled beam unit consists of:

- Primary air plenum with induction nozzles (ACB20/40/45: 2-row | ACB50/55: 1-row)
- Round or Oval primary air inlet connection \(^1\) (See Handings Configuration Key for available sizes)
- Secondary water coil tr
- Supply air discharge slot \(^2\) (ACB20/40/45: 2 Active Slots | ACB50/55: 1 Active & 1 Dummy Slot)
- Mounting brackets \(^3\) (length dependent)
- Mixing chamber
- 2 or 4-pipe secondary water coil connection \(^4\) (Connection can be configured as supply or return based on on-site pipework)
- Perforated supply and return air grille assembly \(^5\)
- An identification label and commissioning chart
- The ACB20 has a drip tray lying below both vertical coils with a sweat drain connection \(^6\)

NOTE: The location of the air and coil connections on each beam is determined by on-site personnel using the Handings Configuration Key on pages 8-10 and returning a filled out Unit Configuration schedule provided in the submittal package.
UNIT CONSTRUCTION

If units are not being installed immediately, store them in a well-protected, dry, temperate location until they are ready for installation. Each beam comes with a protective plastic covering over the grille to prevent potential damage. Remove plastic covering only after the installation of the beam is complete. Reference the beam drawing for the weight at each designed length. Please follow your on-site safety standards when lifting units and utilize caution when inserting the beams into the ceiling.

MAINTENANCE

In normal operating conditions, the minimum required maintenance involves the secondary water coil, nozzles (and lint screen if provided), and consists of:

- Visual inspection of the secondary water coil, nozzles, and lint screen (if provided). Vacuum as required.
- To remove dust, wipe the unit grille with a dry cloth.
INSTALLATION

• Check the unit labeling to ensure that the proper unit is being installed at each location which can be found on the side of the plenum (pictured).
• Determine the orientation of the air and water connections in relation to the site plan.
• Check to ensure adequate clearance for the piping and duct connections.
• Check that the available ceiling space for the installation of the unit is free of other services and structural members.
• Determine the position of the unit in the ceiling grid.

Note: Beams that are 2’, 4’, and 6’ long are designed to have (4) mounting brackets (2 on each side). Beams that are 8’ and 10’ long have (6) mounting brackets (3 on each side). Ensure that each mounting bracket is utilized when securing the beam to the wire hanging kits.

WIRE HANGING KIT

• Attach a trapeze fastener to each mounting bracket on the ACB unit with the plastic clips provided in each kit.
• Secure each end fixing (stud or hanging loop) to the building structure.
• Pass each cable through the trapeze fasteners, and adjust the height to at least 2-3” above the grid position.
• Once the ceiling grid is installed, the chilled beam can be lowered into position by adjusting the cable lengths.

NOTE: Various wire hanging kits are available in the market with different fasteners and end fixings. The above instructions apply to the hanging kits available from Dadanco. If other kits are used, please refer to the manufacturer’s installation instructions.

THREADED ROD METHOD

• Determine the position of the first under-slab ‘Unistrut’ 2 foot channel bracket in the slab above or a ceiling structural member. The first ‘Unistrut’ channel bracket should be positioned approximately the distance from the mounting brackets to the end of the unit and centered in relation to the width of the unit and its opening in the ceiling grid. Drill and secure the ‘Unistrut’ channel bracket to the slab above or ceiling member with 3/8” bolts.
• Install the second ‘Unistrut’ channel bracket length at a position parallel to and at the correct distance from the first channel bracket along the length of the unit, according to the distance between brackets of the unit. Drill and secure the ‘Unistrut’ channel bracket to the slab above or ceiling member with 3/8” bolts.
THREADED ROD METHOD CONT...

- Determine required length of 3/8” threaded rod between the ‘Unistrut’ channel brackets and unit mounting brackets. Rod length should be approximately the distance from the suspended T-Bar ceiling tile frame lip to the underside of the slab above, or ceiling members, less the height of the brackets from the bottom of the unit. This provides sufficient rod length to permit the unit to be raised and lowered without removing the hanging rods.

- Install (1) 3/8” flat washer, hex nut and ‘Unistrut’ fixture nut to the top end of each 3/8” threaded rod.

- Install (1) 3/8” hex nut and flat washer to the other end of the threaded rod.

- Raise the unit into position above the ceiling grid frame, aligned to the ceiling grid opening. Install 3/8” flat washer and hex nut to the threaded rod at the underside of the unit mounting bracket to hold the rod loosely on the bracket.

NOTE: Do not fully tighten nuts at this time.

- Raise the position of the unit by tightening the lower hex nuts until the bottom lip of the unit is approximately 2-3” clear of the top of the suspended ceiling grid T-Bar frame.

- Once the T-bar grid has been installed, lower the unit into the T-Bar frame by turning the bottom hex nuts. Unit supply/return air grille must fit completely into the T-Bar frame as if it were a ceiling tile.

NOTE: Unit can be moved front to back in the slots of the mounting brackets and left to right along the ‘Unistrut’ channel bracket lengths to achieve proper alignment prior to tightening the fasteners.

NOTE: The unit must be supported from the ceiling slab/structural member. The unit weight should not be supported by the T-bar grid.

- Assure the unit is level and properly aligned in the T-Bar frame before tightening the mounting hardware.

- Tighten all 3/8” hex nuts once the unit is properly positioned and aligned in the T-Bar grid.
WATER CONNECTIONS

Note: All Dadanco chilled beams come with 1/2” OD tube or 1/2” NPT connections regardless of the water flow rates; therefore 1/2” flexible hoses or piping should be used to connect to the beams. Otherwise, reducers are required.

- Once the beam has been successfully installed in the correct ceiling position, install all isolation, control and balancing valves according to the design drawings. Install all valves and make all connections per industry approved plumbing practices and local codes.
- Connect the secondary water coil inlet(s) and outlet(s) to the correct secondary water pipes. Refer to submittal drawings and/or labeling on the units to determine which coil connections are supply and return for chilled water and/or hot water.

NOTE: For 4-pipe coils, ensure that the chilled water connections are made to the chilled water circuit and the hot water connections is made to the hot water circuit. It is recommended that the unit be connected with readily removable pipe lengths and unions or flexible hoses to permit disconnection and removal of the unit should this be required.

- In preparing to make the secondary water (SCHW) piping connections to the coil, ensure that the piping is aligned with the coil connections. If threaded NPT coil connections are provided, use the correct tools to grip the flare nut and union and apply only sufficient force to make the joint. The use of excessive force could result in fracturing of the water pipes or their solder connections. Take care during this jointing process to ensure that the coil-piping alignment is maintained.
- Insulate flexible hoses or piping connections as per project specifications. It is strongly recommended to insulate chilled water piping and hoses, especially on the supply-side, to prevent formation of condensate.

PRIMARY AIR DUCT CONNECTION

- Connect the air with either flexible or rigid duct to the primary air inlet connection and seal airtight.
- Primary air inter-connecting flexible duct should be a minimum of 3 feet straight or gradual radius between the primary air duct and the primary air connection of the unit.

NOTE: Avoid sharp bends in the primary air duct connection. Install all ductwork and make all connections per industry approved practices and local codes.

- A primary air volume control balancing damper for adjusting the primary air flow during commissioning must be installed at the take-off from the main primary air duct.

NOTE: Do not install the primary air volume control balancing damper directly to the unit primary air inlet connection. There should be at least a 3ft distance between the unit and the damper.

- Insulate the primary air inlet up to the primary air duct connection.
- Check that all duct connections are properly sealed to ensure no air leakage.
- Acoustically lined ductwork should be used to make the primary air connection in order to attenuate noise generated by the balancing damper.
COMMISSIONING

SECONDARY WATER COMMISSIONING
For secondary water flow commissioning, a suitable balancing valve should be installed in order to measure and adjust the secondary water flow to the designed/specified value.

- If a zone is piped in reverse-return, balancing valves are not required.
- Manual or automatic balancing valves can be used.
- Adjust the balancing valve in order to achieve the specified water flow rate(s) per unit, according to the unit schedule.
- For 2-Pipe changeover systems, balance the water flow to the higher of the two water flow rates specified.

NOTE: Coils are rated at 500PSI

PRIMARY AIR COMMISSIONING

- To accurately commission the primary air flow to the unit, measure the static pressure in the primary air plenum through the commissioning sampling tube. To achieve this, remove the sealing plug from the commissioning sampling tube and connect the pressure-sensing instrument (Manometer) to the commissioning sampling tube. Use the commissioning chart (pictured) for reference.

NOTE: Do not attempt to measure the static pressure in the flexible duct connection. Measure only at the provided commissioning sampling tube for commissioning purposes.

- Using the plenum pressure versus primary air flow curve (pictured) supplied for each unit, adjust the primary air volume balancing damper as necessary to achieve the specified/designated primary air flow rates.
- Replace the plug to seal the primary air commissioning sampling tube upon completion.

NOTE: Do not attempt to confirm total supply air quantities using a balancing hood measurement method. The airflow from the unit is a low velocity, low pressure air stream that is often below the accuracy range of restriction imposing measurement hoods. Resistance imposing balancing hoods are not recommended for validating total air quantity. Do not attempt to confirm the primary air flow quantity by conventional Pitot-traverse methods in the primary air ductwork. Low duct velocities and boundary layer measurement inaccuracies do not permit accurate measurements of duct velocities for primary air installations.

- If constant volume airflow regulators are used, ensure that each device is set for the design primary airflow of the corresponding units.
- If the plenum pressure(s) of the corresponding unit(s) are significantly below their design values, increase the pressure upstream of the regulator.

NOTE: Due to the tolerance of the automatic volume regulators, the plenum pressure(s) of the corresponding unit(s) can deviate from their design value by as much as 0.25” even with proper installation and sufficient upstream pressure.
HANDINGS CONFIGURATION KEY

ACB44

NOTE:

• Air handing is represented by digit 13 in the model number
• Coil handing is represented by digit 17 in the model number
• Non-Standard configurations represented by “Z”
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- Drain connections are on the same side as the coil connections

Air Handing: C
Coil Handing: C
Spigot Options: 4”, 5”, 6” Round; 8” Elliptical

Air Handing: D
Coil Handing: D
Spigot Options: 4”, 5”, 6” Round; 8” Elliptical

Air Handing: E
Coil Handing: E
Spigot Options: 4”, 5”, 6”, 8”, 10” Round
HANDINGS CONFIGURATION KEY
ACB50 & ACB55

Note:
• Air handing is represented by digit 13 in the model number
• Coil handing is represented by digit 17 in the model number
• Non-Standard configurations represented by "Z"
• Red arrow denotes direction of air flow

Air Handing: F
Coil Handing: A
Spigot Options: 4” , 5” , 6” Round; 8” Elliptical

Air Handing: F
Coil Handing: B
Spigot Options: 4” , 5” , 6” Round; 8” Elliptical

Air Handing: G
Coil Handing: A
Spigot Options: 4” , 5” , 6” Round; 8” Elliptical

Air Handing: G
Coil Handing: B
Spigot Options: 4” , 5” , 6” Round; 8” Elliptical

Air Handing: H
Coil Handing: A
Spigot Options: 4” , 5” , 6” , 8” , 10” Round

Air Handing: H
Coil Handing: B
Spigot Options: 4” , 5” , 6” , 8” , 10” Round

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