Hidden Joint Protection - CAC Rated Assemblies

Safti-Seal Joint Protection located inside of CAC rated “acoustic envelopes” used to conceal duct, cable tray, pipe, wire, etc… and reduce decibel loss of STC due to wall penetrations:

Provides:
- Safti-Strip Gasket seal against flanking over and through partitions
- Tested with additional 1/2” dynamic joint (seismic rated)
- Indefinite protection provides “seal” through lifetime of assembly
- Unrestricted smaller installed joints
- Early unobstructed accurate inspections

Eliminates Mastic:
- Drying out/cracking,
- Loss of adhesion, sagging, and dislodging,
- Field under, mis, or ‘non’ (obstructed) application
- Degradation of sound/smoke seal (due to deflection or aging of materials)

Examples of "hidden joint" construction:
**Fluted Deck - Flute Fill / CAC Rated Ceiling Considerations**

1. – Safti-Frame composite 20ga metal/Safti-Strip "top track" profile  
   - 1/2" open gap between wall sheathing and overhead  
   - Wall sheathing overlapping and in contact with Safti-Strip material

2. - Preformed Deck Plug  
   - Min. 6 pcf mineral wool density  
   - Compressed a min 33% and completely filling fluted areas

3. - Wall Assembly  
   - 25ga stud - 3 5/8" wide  
   - Batt R-11 fiberglass insulation (3 1/2" thickness where installed)  
   - 5/8" thick type wallboard

![Diagram of assembly](image)

**STC Ratings - lab measured section of assembly (isolated independently)**  
- Exposed condition with no additional acoustical treatment (i.e. acoustical ceiling batt insulation, tile "grid system", gypsum "hard lid", castle cut gypsum, or joint cover materials)  
- Assembly STC limited to lowest "performing" materials or section of assembly design  
- Replacing 25ga stud material with 20ga studs further reduces illustrated "single wall" assemblies (Item #3) rating by additional 3 to 5 points.
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4. - Ceiling assembly
   - Both sides
   - Min. CAC rating of 20

STC Ratings - lab measured section of assembly (isolated independently)

- Assembly STC is limited to lowest "performing" materials or section of assembly design

- Installed acoustical or "hard lid" ceiling CAC rating of 20 decreases sound transmission at head of wall above improving the STC rating. (i.e. joint materials + ceiling materials)

- Replacing 25ga stud material with 20ga studs further reduces illustrated "single wall" assemblies (Item #3) rating by additional 3 to 5 points.

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   - 25ga stud - 3 5/8" wide
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4. - Ceiling assembly
   - Ceiling assembly one side only
   - Min CAC rating of 20 cut in half (i.e. 20 rating becomes only a 10)

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