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IBZA Series

IBZA15

Wide Coverage Loudspeaker

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IMPORTANT SAFE INSTRUCTIONS

Before using our product, be sure to carefully read the manual and safe instructions. Keep this document with the device all time.

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| 1 | Read these instructions. | caution around the enclosure with data storage devices such as phones, computers or hard drivers. |
| 2 | Keep these instructions. | |
| 3 | Heed all warnings. | 11 Handles are for moving the system only. |
| 4 | Follow all SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS as well DANGER and OBLIGATION warnings. | 12 Beware of sound levels. Never stand in the immediate vicinity of loudspeaker driven at high level. Professional loudspeaker systems are capable of causing a sound pressure level (SPL) detrimental to human health. Hearing damage can also occur with prolonged exposure to sound: 8h at 90 dB(A), 30 min at 110 dB(A), less than 4 min at 130 dB(A) <i>Source: European Directive relating to the assessment and management of noise 2002/49/CE</i> |
| 5 | Only use attachments / accessories specified by the manufacturer. | |
| 6 | Use only with the cart, tripod, bracket or table specified by the manufacturer, or sold with the apparatus. When a cart is used, use caution when moving the cart / apparatus combination to avoid injury from tip-over. | |
| 7 | If the equipment is used in a manner not specified by the Exel Acoustic, the protection by the equipment may be impaired. | 13 When setting up the loudspeaker or loudspeaker stand, make sure they are standing on a firm surface. If you place several enclosures on top of one another, use straps to secure them against movement. |
| 8 | Read the entire Product Information document before exploiting the system. | |
| 9 | Read the Rigging Manual before installing the system. Use the rigging accessories described in the rigging manual a follow the associated procedures. | |

CAUTION: Rigging should only be done by experience professionals.

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| 10 | This speaker enclosure is capable of creating a strong magnetic field. Please use |
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*Declare under our sole responsibility that devices in the **IBZA15** range of products, comply with relating Directives:*

- (1) Directiva de Baja Tensión - 2006/95/CE
- (2) Directiva de Compatibilidad Electromagnética - 2004/108/CE
- (3) Directiva **RoHS** - 2011/65/UE
- (4) Directiva **RAEE** - 2012/19/UE

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1 Introduction

1.1 Welcome to Tecnare

Thank you for choosing the high-quality Tecnare® **IBZA15 System “Made in Spain”** from **EXEL ACOUSTICS SL**.

Please spare a little time to study the contents of this manual, so that you obtain the best possible performance from this unit.

All Tecnare® products are carefully engineered for world-class performance and reliability.

If you would like further information about this or any other Tecnare® product, please contact us. We look forward to helping you in the near future.

As part of a continuous evolution of techniques and standards, Exel Acoustics SL as manufacturer of Tecnare® products reserve the right to change the specifications of its products and the content of its documents without prior notice.

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Thank you again for placing your confidence in Tecnare® products.

1.2 IBZA Series

IBZA Series is the ultimate reference for rental productions, fixed installations and dance clubs environments. It is a combination of high-end audio, sound quality, stunning aesthetics, extreme sound pressure level and reliability. IBZA is a family of distinct format of loudspeaker systems, engineered for different short-throw applications, including FOH systems, distributed systems, side-fill monitors, complementary fills and, of course, dance environments, where high-output, low-distortion, and the highest quality sound are required.

The series is formed from:

- **IBZA P204**, passive ultra-compact loudspeaker, 120° axis-symmetric, 80Hz-20KHz.
- **IBZA6**, passive compact loudspeaker, 80° axis-symmetric, 82Hz-20KHz.
- **IBZA6 Plus**, passive ultra-compact loudspeaker, 70° axis-symmetric, 85Hz-18KHz.
- **IBZA8**, passive compact loudspeaker, 110° axis-symmetric, 65Hz-18KHz
- **IBZA10**, passive compact loudspeaker, 70°x50°, 45-18KHz
- **IBZA12**, passive/active enclosure, (50°x100°)x60°, 56Hz-18KHz
- **IBZA15**, passive/active enclosure, 80°x50°, 48Hz-18KHz

IBZA Series constitutes a broad range of point source, full range loudspeakers that providing high SPL, different directivities patterns and a good sonic performance off-axis.

The IBZA Series is suited to various sound reinforcement applications as a main or complementary system.

IBZA Series enclosures are easy to integrate, combining sonic character with style. Its aesthetic appearance makes it ideal for the most demanding architectural environments.

DP Series Processors and **T-Series** amplified controllers are the heart of the system. Thanks to their dedicated factory presets, they constitute an extremely advanced and precise drive system for the enclosures.

Applications:

- Dance Clubs.
- Theatre, corporate and live events.
- House of Worship.
- Touring.
- Live music venues.

Main Characteristics:

- Built in proprietary hardware for simple, fast and safe rigging.
- Enclosures made with the latest techniques ensuring a perfect and rigid construction.
- Weatherized finish is provided, as the cabinet is coated with rugged Durawound texture finish and protected with specially treated grills.
- 16mm or 18mm birch plywood. Finished in black semi-matt textured Durawood weatherized coating.
- Powder coated perforated steel grid with acoustically transparent reticulated foam.
- Max SPL: Up to 133dB Continuous.

1.2 The IBZA15 Compact Loudspeaker

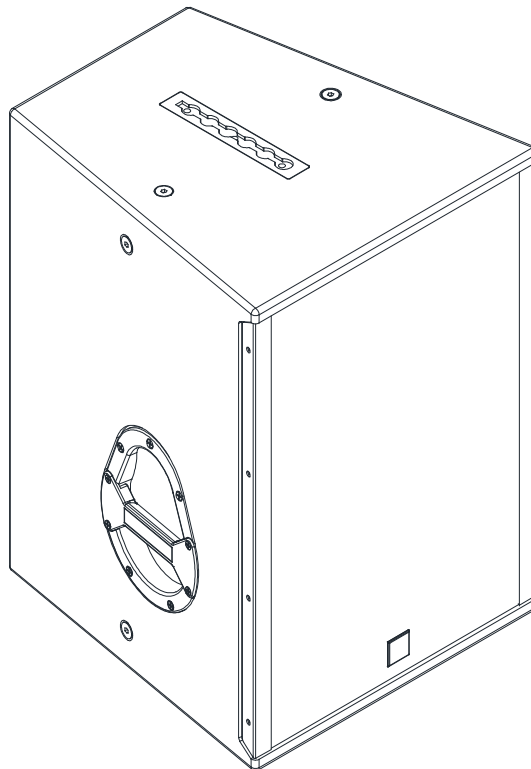
The IBZA15 is a trapezoidal compact two-way full-range loudspeaker high-performance, wide-bandwidth system in a compact and efficient package. The LF/MF section comprises a 15-inch loudspeaker loaded in a vented-bass cabinet and the HF section is one 3-inch diaphragm horn driver.

IBZA15 has an exceptional power/size ratio, great clarity in sound reproduction and a highly aesthetics. The wooden enclosure features a recessed Neutrik® SpeakON® connectors and threaded inserts, allowing the use of a 4mm steel bracket for flying or wall/ceiling-mount purposes (optional *TUB-15*). A pole mount socket on the bottom and “Array Frames” are also available to stand up position or array suspension (TAF-15 and TAF3-15. And in addition, the IBZA15 is equipped with air cargo rigging tracks over which double stud fittings or flying brackets can easily be mounted without tools. *See all rigging options in the rigging manual*).

Dedicated preset for [DP Series](#) processors or [T-Series](#) amplifiers are available to operate the **IBZA15** in full-range mode or combined with Tecnore® subwoofers.

The full-range compact IBZA15 loudspeaker offers total versatility among all types of near-field listening applications: drum-fill; distributed systems; in-fill/near-fill/delay etc; PA with or without subwoofers.

Available series in a grey colour or white custom colour, the IBZA15 can be easily integrated into any building style for ultimate discretion, satisfying the most demanding architectural needs.

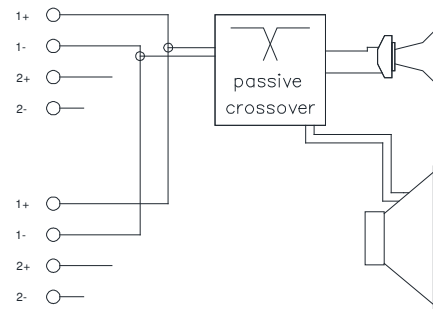


1.3 Connections

IBZA15 loudspeaker utilizes Neutrik® SpeakON® connectors. There are two NLT4 connectors on the rear of each IBZA15. These connectors mate with Neutrik® NL-4 or NL-4 compatible in-line cable connectors. Only two pins (1+/1-) of both connectors are wired in parallel. The following subsections describe the electrical connections. Other configuration should be requested at the purchase time.

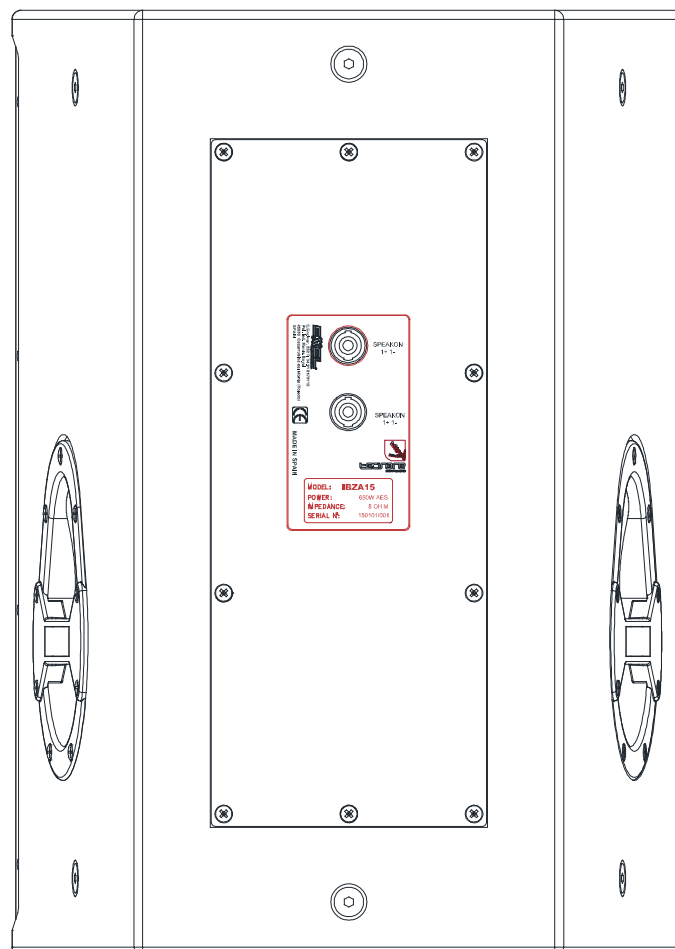
The IBZA15 uses the pin assignment 1+/1+.

Using one as the input, the second connector allows for direct connection to a second cabinet in parallel.



Internal pinout for IBZA15 enclosures

IN speakON® point	1+	1-	2+	2-
Connection	LF +	LF -	NC	NC



1.4 Processing and Amplification

Only operate Tecna® loudspeaker with a correctly configured Tecna preset. Tecna offer a complete solution that guarantees the highest level of performance. A complete range of controllers, amplified and amplified controller with DSP are available to get this objective. Otherwise, there is a risk of damaging the loudspeaker components.

1.4.1 Processing

There are two options using our digital controllers our **DP2696** or our **DP4896**. The options vary depending on the final application. *Refer to DP2696 or DP4896 user manual.*

1.4.2 Amplification

To power IBZA Series, Tecna recommends amplifiers with the power ratings enough to feed the loudspeakers. For high power or live applications, it is recommended to oversize the amplifiers relative to the nominal AES output of the loudspeakers. A lower power amplifier will not reduce the chances of driver damage due to over-exursion, and may actually increase the risk of thermal damage due to sustained clipping.

In certain specific cases it is possible to slightly under-power the subs or loudspeakers as long as the amplifier will not be driven to its limits.

In any case, the Tecna processors should be deployed in front of the amp to ensure that the amplifiers to not go into clip.

The **DP4896** processors also include:

- Virtual Xover Limiter for passive systems
- Thermal protection from power surges or overload
- Excursion displacement protection

The **T10-44/T6-44** and **T-48 Series** amplifier is the ideal companions for maximum performance of the IBZA Series loudspeakers. This amplifier controller with DSP offer a complete both preset and protection solution for any application.

2 Loudspeaker Configuration

2.1 Point Source

The **IBZA15** loudspeakers are designed for standing in vertical operation. A variety of accessories is available from Tecnaré® to securely attach the loudspeaker, e.g. on stands or suspended horizontally from trusses and motor lifts. Vertical array configurations can be performed although they will create very narrow horizontal coverages.

In this configuration the system operates over the nominal frequency range of the enclosure.

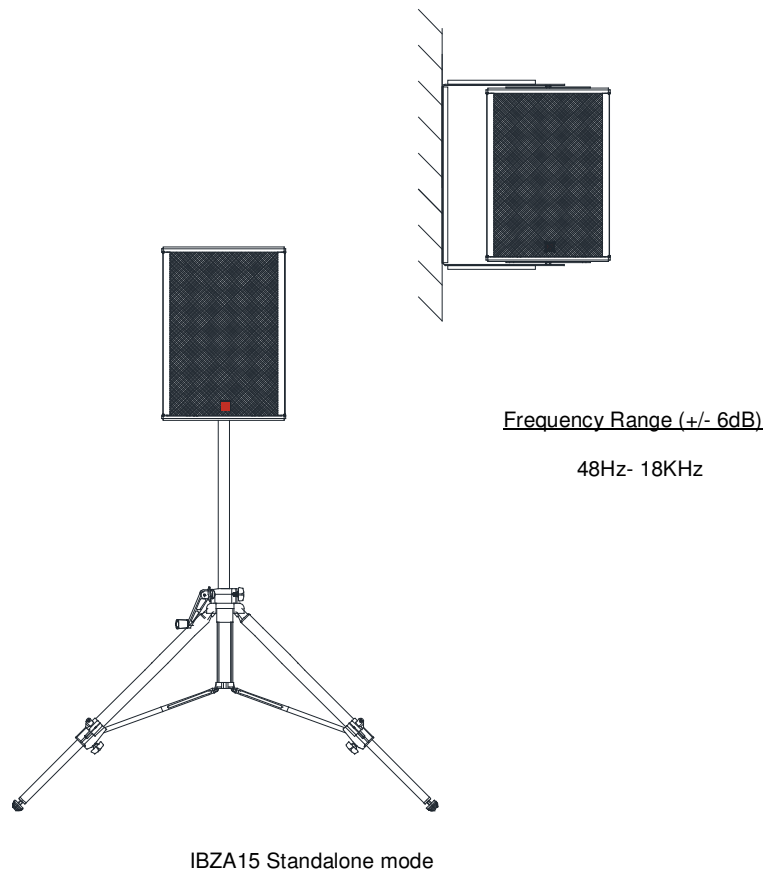


Ensure that the loudspeakers are securely attached to prevent personal injury and property damage.



NOTE

TECNARE recommends using only the accessories specified by TECNARE to secure the loudspeakers.

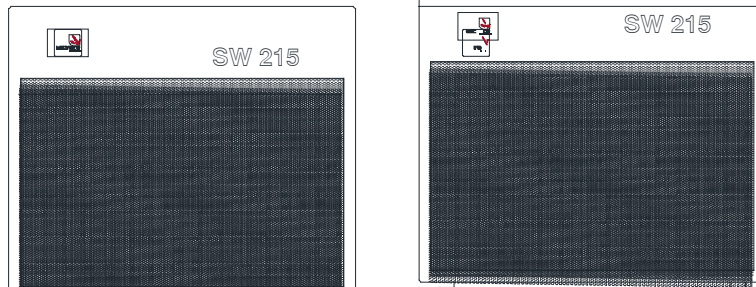
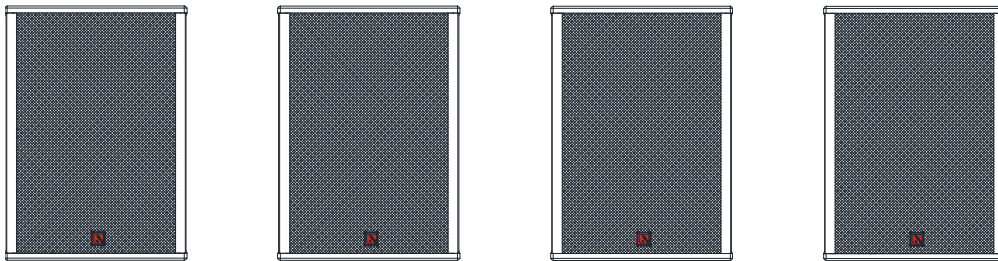


2.2 Point Source with low-frequency element

In this configuration, the frequency response of the IBZA15 is extended in the low end.

IBZA15 enclosure is driven by the PA4.1500, PA2100 or PA3000 amplifier with the DP Series Processor or T-44/T-48 Series amplifier controller both with same factory preset as in point source configuration. The subwoofer will be operating with its corresponding factory preset. The upper frequency limit must be between 80 to 120 Hz for an optimal acoustic coupling with the enclosure.

If your IBZA15 loudspeakers and subwoofers are separated by a greater distance - or delay must be used between them - a measurement system such as *SMAART* should be used to determine the correct delay and polarity.



Frequency Range (+/- 6dB)

38- 18KHz

Recommended ratio

2xSW-215: 4xIBZA15

IBZA15 + SW-215

2.3 Recommended Speaker Cables

Choosing the right wire gauge for your installation is utmost importance to ensure you will get the maximum potential of your system.

The two primary things resistance affects in the amplifier-to-loudspeaker connection are: insertion loss and damping factor, both of which are dependent upon cable resistance. Too small a cable section will increase both its serial resistance and its capacitance; this reduces the electrical power delivered to the loudspeaker and can also induce response (damping factor) variations.

INSERTION LOSS

Insertion loss is the measure of the loss of load power at the speaker due to excessive resistive losses of the cable or any additional component attached between the amplifier and the loudspeaker. We typically express this loss in decibels (dB) using the following formula:

$$IL = 20 \bullet \log \left(\frac{R_{load}}{R_{load} + R_{cable}} \right)$$

DAMPING FACTOR

Damping factor is a ratio of rated loudspeaker impedance (Z_L) to the source impedance (Z_s). In this case our source impedance is (R_{cable} + R_{amplifier}).

$$\text{Damping Factor} = Z_L / Z_s$$

The table below indicates the cable valour recommended by Tecna®.

cable cross-section			Recommended maximum length					
			8 Ω		4 Ω		2 Ω	
mm ²	SWG	AWG	m	ft	m	ft	m	ft
2,5	15	13	30	100	15	50	10	33
4	13	11	50	160	25	80	17	53
6	11	9	74	240	37	120	25	80
10	9	7	120	390	60	195	40	130

3 Amplifier Configuration

Tecnavare® Sound Systems recommended operating the **IBZA15** loudspeaker together Tecnavare loudspeaker controllers.

Tecnavare® only recommends using preset/amplifier developed *by Tecnavare*; otherwise there is a risk of damaging the loudspeaker components. *DP Series Loudspeaker Controller*, *PA Series amplifier* and *T-Series amplifier* are ideal for this purpose.

Ensure that the right preset was selected before connecting the loudspeaker with the amplifier.

Operating with an incorrect preset can damage part of the loudspeaker.

Ensure that the amplifier is properly size according to requirements. Under-power or oversized power amplifier without the supervision of an expert may damage the loudspeaker.

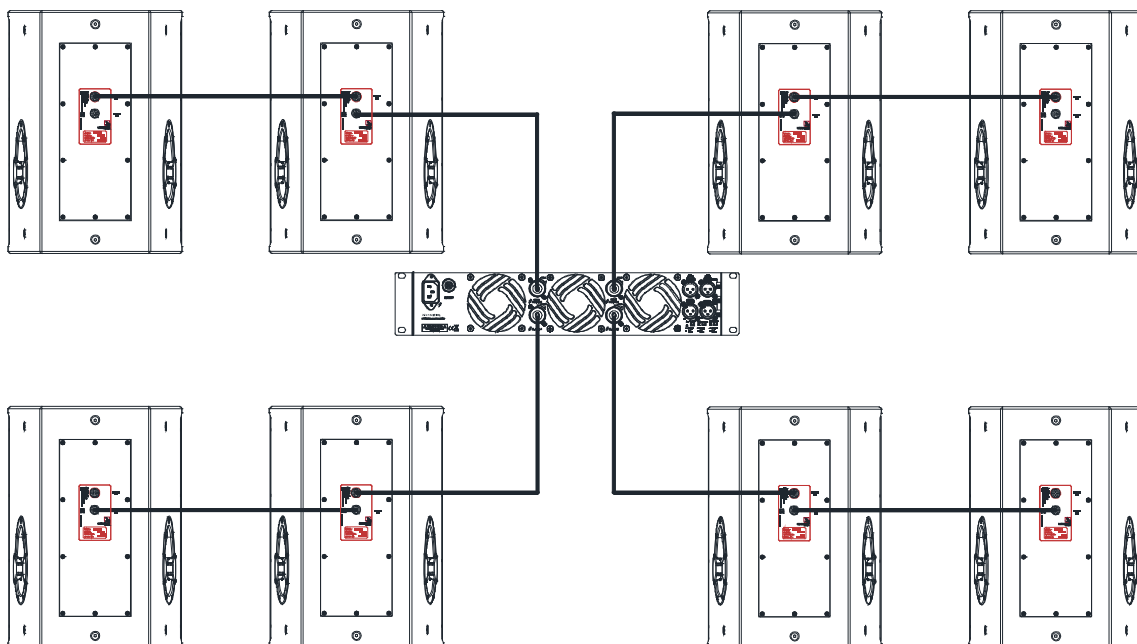
Please note the technical specification section.

3.1 Connection to PA4.1500

MAXIMUM OF 4 ENCLOSURES PER PA4.1500

2 x IBZA15 can be connected to each output channel on the PA4.1500. Therefore, a single PA4.1500 amplifier controller can drive up to 8 enclosures.

Impedance load: 8Ω for 1 enclosure, 4Ω for 2 enclosures.

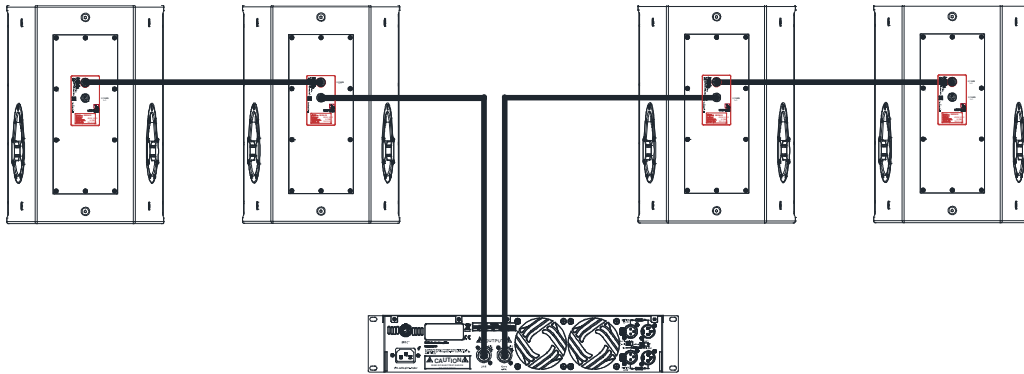


3.2 Connection to PA2100/PA3000

MAXIMUM OF 4 ENCLOSURES PER PA2100/3000

2 x IBZA15 can be connected to each output channel on the PA2100/PA3000. Therefore, a single PA2100/PA3000 amplifier controller can drive up to 4 enclosures.

Impedance load: 8Ω for 1 enclosure, 4Ω for 2 enclosures.

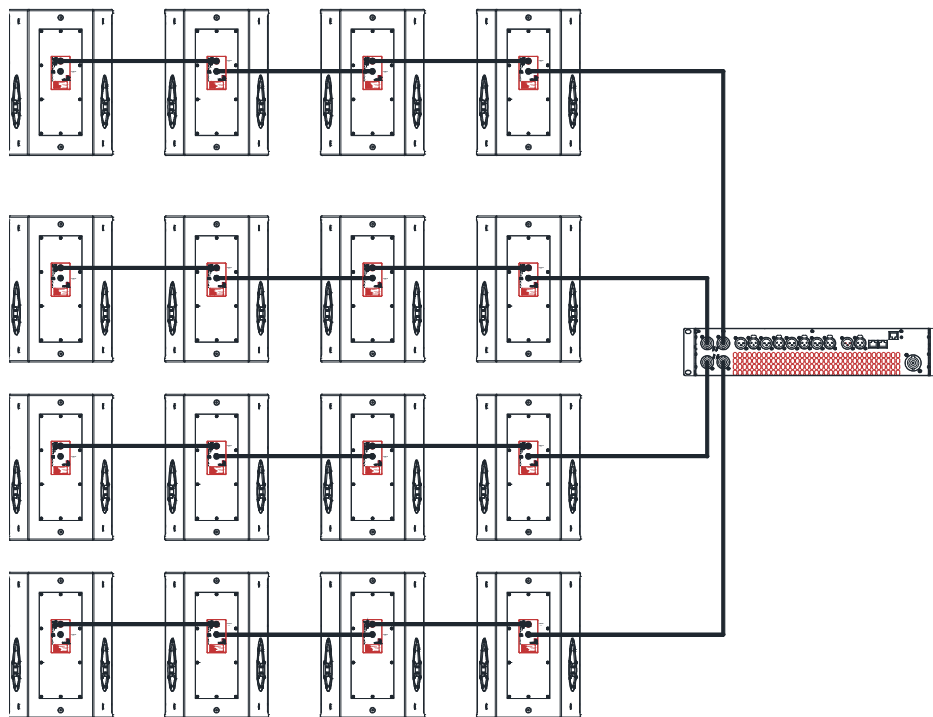


3.3 Connection to T-44 Series

MAXIMUM OF 16 ENCLOSURES PER T-44 Series

4 x IBZA15 can be connected to each output channel on the T-44/T-48 Series amplifier. Therefore, a single T-44 amplifier controller can drive up to **16** enclosures. A single **T-48** amplifier controller can driven **32** enclosures

Impedance load: 8Ω for 1 enclosure, 4Ω for 2 enclosures, 2Ω for 4 enclosures.



T-44 Series Amplifier

4 Integrating IBZA15 Using Subwoofers

4.1 Integrating IBZA15 Loudspeakers Systems with TecnaRE Subwoofers

An **IBZA15** loudspeaker system can be deployed in combination with TecnaRE's subwoofers like a **SW215**, **SW118M**, **SW-18VR**. These subwoofers can achieve very low frequency response extending system response appreciably and increasing the overall acoustic power of a system in the lowest frequencies.

The ideal ratio of IBZA15 loudspeakers to subwoofers depends on the subwoofer model, configuration of the system, the application, and the frequency content of the signal being reproduced.

For most application, a ratio of two IBZA15 for each SW-215 subwoofer and one IBZA15 for each SW118M subwoofer yield good results in frequency response and headroom.

4.2 Signal Delay

If IBZAs loudspeaker and subwoofers are used in their full-range configuration together DP-Series Loudspeaker controlled or T-Series Amplifier, use the factory preset setting if they are co-planar or near to each other.

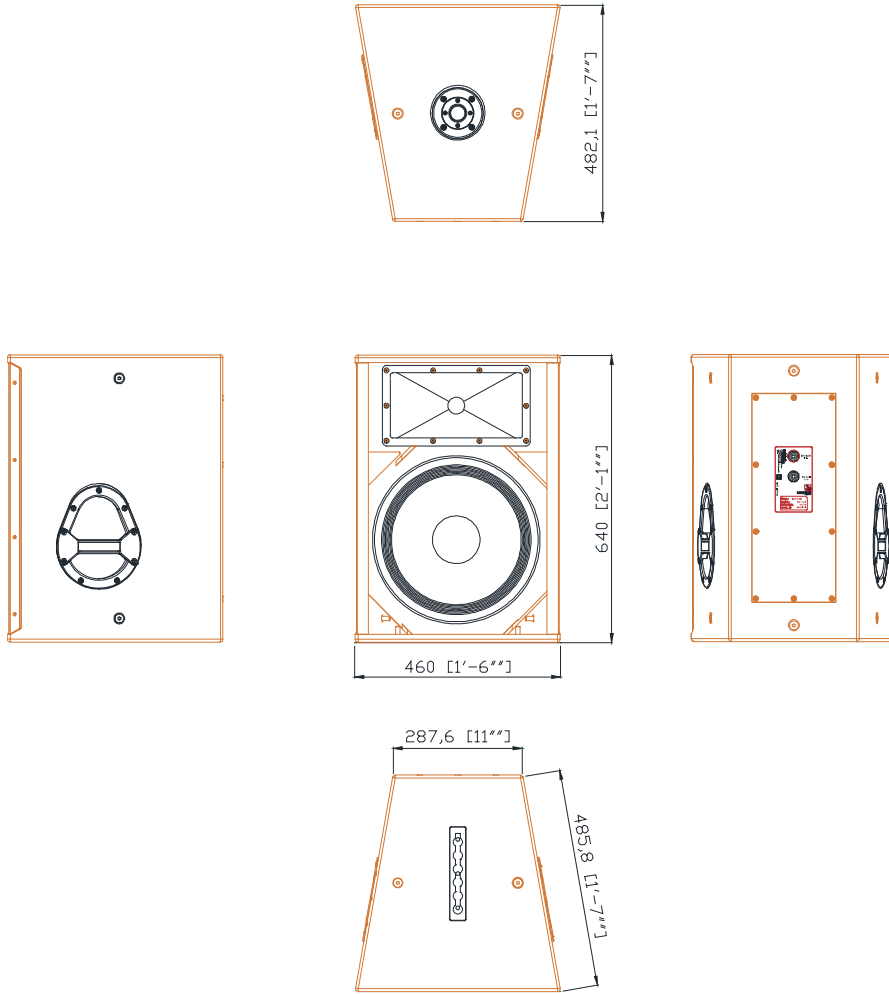
For other configuration or if they are separated by a great distance it will usually be necessary to determine the signal delay and polarity setting with a measurement system such as SMAART audio analyzer.

<p>NOTE: If the subwoofer's amplifier/DSP Limit LED begins to light before reaching the required SPL, consider adding more subwoofers to meet the SPL requirements without exposing the drivers to excessive heat and excursion.</p>
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5 Technical specifications

IBZA15 WIDE COVERAGE LOUDSPEAKER SPECIFICATIONS

ACOUSTICAL	
Operating Frequency Range	48Hz -18 kHz±4dB, measured on axis.
Axial Sensitivity	101 dB (1w/1m)
Calculated SPL	129 dB continuous/135 Peak
Nominal Dispersion	80° Horizontal x 50 Vertical on a CD horn
Power Handling	650 W AES / 1300 Continuous
COMPONENTS	
Low Frequency	1 x 15-inch cone driver Ferrite magnet material, direct radiation, bass-reflex Nominal impedance: 8Ω Voice coil size: 3-inch Power Handling Capability: 600 W AES / 1200 W continuous <i>Note:</i> Power Handling measured using AES Standards= 2 hours test made with continuous pink noise signal (6 db crest factor).
High Frequency	1x1.4-inch compression driver. Titanium Diaphragm material Nominal impedance: 8Ω Throat diameter: 1.4-inch / 3-inch (75 mm) aluminium voice coil diameter Power Handling Capability: 80 W AES / 160 W continuous <i>Note:</i> Power Handling measured using AES Standards= 2 hours test made with continuous pink noise signal (6 db crest factor).
AUDIO INPUT	
Connectors	IN: 1 x NL4 SpeakON® LINK: 1 x NL4 SpeakON®
Wiring	Pin 1+/-: Input Signal ; Pin 2+/- : NC
PHYSICAL	
Enclosure	18mm birch plywood. Finished in Polyurea surface.
Protective Grille	Powder-coated perforated steel with acoustically transparent reticulated foam
Rigging and handling	2xhandle, 4 x M10 insert for TUB-I15 U-Bracket and Horizontal Array Frame. 2xM10 insert. Pole mount socket on the bottom. Air cargo rigging track on the top. See the rigging manual before installing and additional information. Use the rigging accessories described in the rigging manual and follow the associated procedures.
Dimensions (HxWxD)	640mm x 460mm x 482,1 mm (25.60" x 18.11" x 18.98")
Weight	34,8 Kg. (76.72 lbs)
Custom finish	White code available on request Without charge. RAL code on special order.



IBZA15 Dimensions

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