Instructions for disassembly/ component extraction of HeartFelt® Baffle Felt Ceilings

1.0 Introduction
HeartFelt® Baffle Felt Ceilings are a new and unique product in the construction business. Therefore, we have composed this document to provide answers to possible questions raised concerning issues related to disassembly and extraction of individual components.

1.1 Fixings and connections
HeartFelt® Ceilings are designed for easy demountability with only mechanical connections between all individual components (top to bottom):

- Fixings to the structural ceilings are not part of the supply package but in most cases comprise of plugs inserted into a hole in the concrete/ structural ceiling
- Galvanised steel hanger wires are mechanically fixed by a screw/ bolt going into the plug
- Galvanised steel suspension springs slide over the hanger wire and clamp themselves tight without any fixing
- Arrow-shaped ends of the suspension springs fit into holes in the upper flanges of the steel baffle carriers
- Baffle carriers connect with each other in a longitudinal direction by steel carrier splices that snap on top of the carriers. The actual fixing is done by small lips that fit into holes punched in the carrier sides.
- Around the carriers click stabilisation brackets that connect the stabilisation profiles with the purpose to square the grid
- Steel suspension clips are inserted into the slot of the aluminium holding profile at the top of the baffle. The suspension clips click into the carrier and after alignment are locked with plastic locking clips that slides under the suspension clips.
2.0 Disassembly
Disassembly is a reverse operation, is executed bottom-up and does not require any tools (except for the top fixing):

- Baffles are removed by sliding the locking clip from under the suspension clips. Then the suspension clips can be squeezed together and removed from the baffle carrier.

- Carrier splices are removed by squeezing the vertical flanges of the carrier just below the carrier splice until the lips in the splice disengage from the holes in the carrier side. The splice can then be easily lifted off.
• Baffles can be further disassembled by removing one flange at the top of the baffle from the aluminium holding profile. Baffles can now be folded flat to save transport volume. Also, possible end caps and baffle splices can be folded flat to make transport easier.
• Stabilisation profiles can be clipped from the stabilisation brackets by forcing the vertical flanges apart with a flat tool inserted into the profile from below and next to the bracket.
• The legs at the bottom of the suspension springs are slightly offset against each other. By squeezing the legs together, the arrow-shaped ends will disengage from the hole in the carrier. Repeat over the length of the carrier. The carrier can now be removed from the ceiling.

• By squeezing the oblique legs at the top of the suspension spring together, the spring can be slid down from the hanger wire
• The hanger wire is removed by unscrewing the screw/ bolt from the plug in the concrete.

2.1 Component extraction
All components are singular elements, not bonded/ fixed to any other element and can be extracted without any problems. When the disassembly is executed with proper care, all components can be extracted for future use. Obviously, all components can be fully separated from each other and recycled but that is the least preferred option.

2.2 Reuse and cleaning
In general, the individual components do not require refurbishment and can be reused as is. One point of consideration is that the HeartFelt® Baffle Felt panels are made to order for specific projects. For that reason, it is possible that lengthwise the panels may not fit directly into a new location/ project. However, the panels are easily cut by hand to be made to fit.

To maintain visual (and technical) quality, the individual components may require cleaning. If so desired, all metal components can be wet cleaned with water and a mild, neutral (pH=7) detergent. When simple, light cleaning is required (dusting) we advise to clean the HeartFelt® Linear felt panels with a feather duster. For heavier pollution, vacuum cleaning is an option. When wet cleaning is necessary, cold to lukewarm tap water or a solution with a mild neutral (pH=7) detergent (i.e. household cleaner) may be used. After applying a solution and cleaning, rinse with lukewarm water. One shall be careful to avoid heavy rubbing to prevent fuzzing/ pilling of the surface. Always test the intended cleaning agent on a non-visible part of a panel before commencing cleaning.
3.0 Material contamination
As mentioned above, all components are singular elements. However, most of the components do have surface treatments/conservations (i.e. galvanisation or paints).

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