

Decorative Ceiling Tile Planning Checklist

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Before You Order

1 Measure the room

Length times width for square footage. Note angles and alcoves.

2 Choose your method

Drop-in for an existing grid, glue-up for a flat, sound ceiling.

3 Check the surface

Glue-up needs flat, clean, dry, and sound. Fix texture or damage first.

4 Calculate the count

Square footage divided by the coverage of one tile, then add overage.

5 Add 10 to 20 percent

More for angles, fixtures, and bold patterns that force cuts.

Before You Install

1 Order all at once

One production run keeps the shade consistent across the ceiling.

2 Confirm fire rating

Check the rating for commercial spaces, rentals, or areas near heat.

3 Acclimate the tiles

Let them sit flat in the room for a day or two before install.

4 Snap a center line

Start the first full tile at the center and work outward.

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