

RF Filter Installation Guidelines



For optimum EMI performance, proper mounting of any filter is essential. It is important to ensure as low as possible earth bond impedance to the unpainted base or mounting flange of the filter. This is necessary to obtain the best insertion loss from the filter, and also to carry away high pulse currents in transient suppressed filters.

It is normally recommended that the filters are mounted on a steel surface which has been electroplated with tin or zinc. This should be unpainted and must be flat or smooth. Whilst other materials and finishes may be acceptable, the user should give consideration to the shielding and earth bonding properties and possible galvanic corrosion effects of any materials used. In most cases, "conductive paint" finishes are unacceptable as they do not permit a sufficiently good earth bond to be made.

Penetration tubes are used to pass cables through the base of the filter and the mounting surface. These must provide a complete RF seal. EEP supply dedicated fixings kits.

Filter sizes and cable entries are designed to be a minimum for the filter current rating. The user is advised to verify that the standard filter terminal compartment and cable entry sizes are suitable for this application, especially where oversized cables may be used to minimise cable volt drop.

Proper fitting of terminal compartment lids and gaskets is important, as shown on detail above. Gaskets must be fitted in the specified positions, ensuring all lid screws are fitted and tightened to the specified torque.

Where several filters are installed together, it is recommended that they are installed vertically with at least 25mm spacing to assist with convection cooling.

All conductors should pass through single cable entries in accordance with the IEE regulations to avoid eddy current heating effects.

Recommended Torque Tightening Gauge:

M5 - 2 Nm

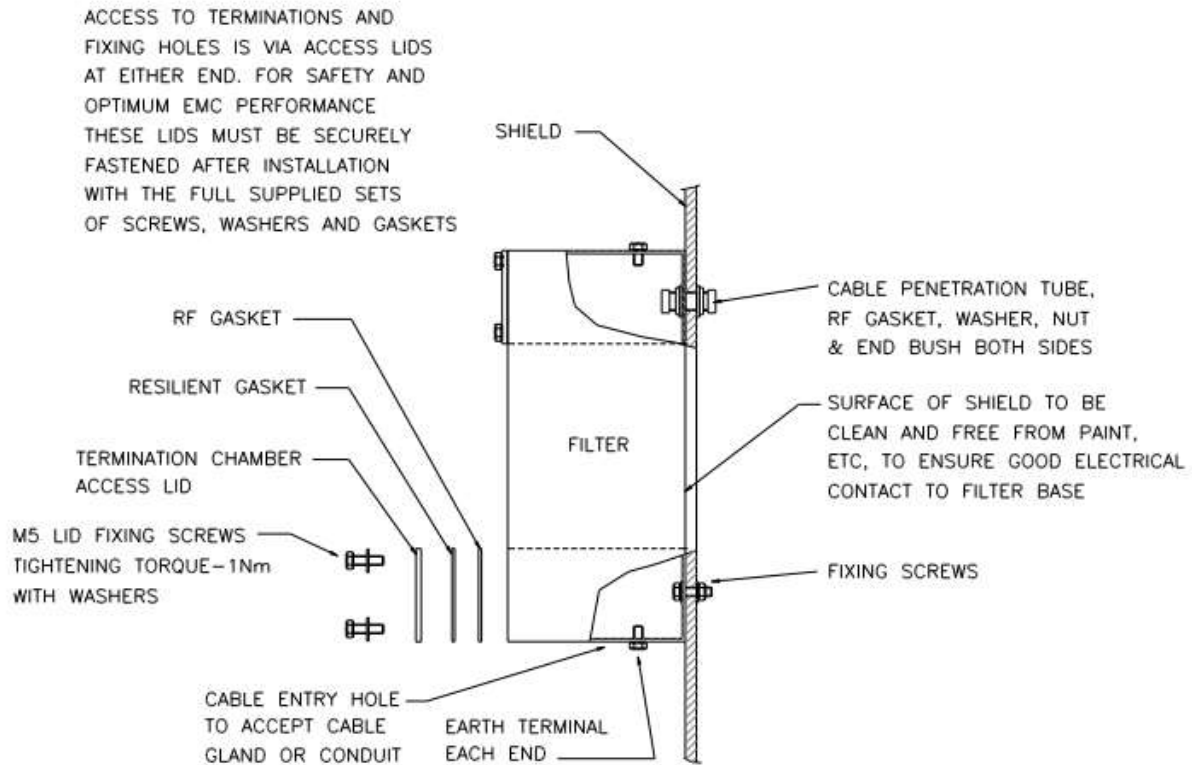
M6 - 2.5 Nm

M8 - 5 Nm

M10 - 8 Nm

M12 - 11 Nm

M16 - 20 Nm



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