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**PXI-1056**

USER GUIDE

# PXI/PXI Express Chassis Fan Filter Kit

This document explains how to install and maintain foam fan filters in your National Instruments chassis.



**Note** This kit is *only* intended to be used with the following models: The NI PXI-1000B, NI PXI-1042, NI PXI-1042Q, NI PXI-1044, NI PXI-1045, NI PXI-1050, NI PXI-1052, NI PXI-1056, NI PXIe-1062Q, NI PXIe-1075, and NI PXIe-1082. The NI PXI-1000B and NI PXI-1056 models are shipped with filters already installed. Do *not* install these filters on models other than the ones specified.

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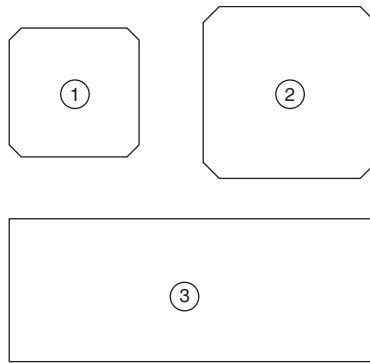
## Unpacking

Carefully inspect the shipping container for damage. If damage appears to have been caused during shipment, file a claim with the carrier. Retain the packing material for possible inspection and/or reshipment.

The NI PXI/PXI Express Chassis Fan Filter kit includes the following items:

- ☐ Two small square filters (NI PXI-1000B, NI PXI-1042, NI PXI-1050)
- ☐ Three large square filters (NI PXI-1044, NI PXI-1045, NI PXI-1052, NI PXI-1056, NI PXIe-1075)
- ☐ One rectangular filter (NI PXI-1042Q, NI PXIe-1062Q, NI PXIe-1082)

**Figure 1. PXI/PXI Express Chassis Fan Filters**



1 Small Square Filter

2 Large Square Filter

3 Rectangular Filter

## What You Need to Get Started

- ☐ NI PXI/PXI Express chassis
- ☐ *Read Me First: Safety and Electromagnetic Compatibility*
- ☐ Chassis User Manual (provided with the chassis; also available at [ni.com/manuals](http://ni.com/manuals))

## Maintenance



**Caution** Disconnect the power cable prior to servicing your chassis.

## Service Interval

Dirty fan filters can dramatically reduce the cooling performance of an NI PXI/PXIe chassis. Clean the filters whenever they become visibly dirty or at a maximum interval of six months. Depending on the amount of use and ambient dust levels in the operating environment, the filters may require more frequent cleaning. Refer to the [Cleaning the Fan Filter](#) section for cleaning instructions.

## Preparation

The information in this document is designed for use by qualified service personnel. Read the *Read Me First: Safety and Electromagnetic Compatibility* document included with your kit before attempting any procedures in this guide.



**Caution** Many components within the chassis are susceptible to static discharge damage. Service the chassis only in a static-free environment. Observe standard handling precautions for static-sensitive devices while servicing the chassis. Always wear a grounded wrist strap or equivalent while servicing the chassis.

# Installation

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## Small Square Filters

The small square filters are used by the following models:

- NI PXI-1000B
- NI PXI-1042
- NI PXI-1050

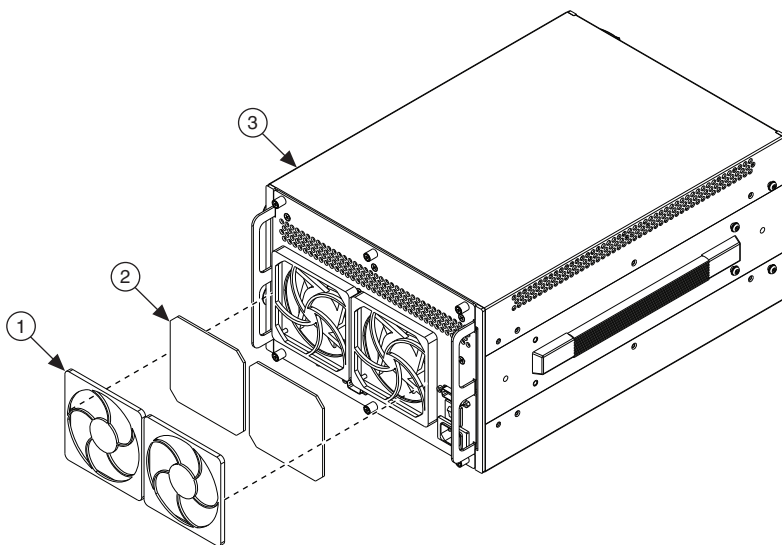
Complete the following steps to install a foam filter in your NI PXI-1000B or NI PXI-1050 chassis:

1. Remove the snap-on air filter retainers.
2. Place a small square filter over each fan.
3. Replace the air filter retainers.

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**Figure 2.** Rear View of NI PXI-1000B Chassis

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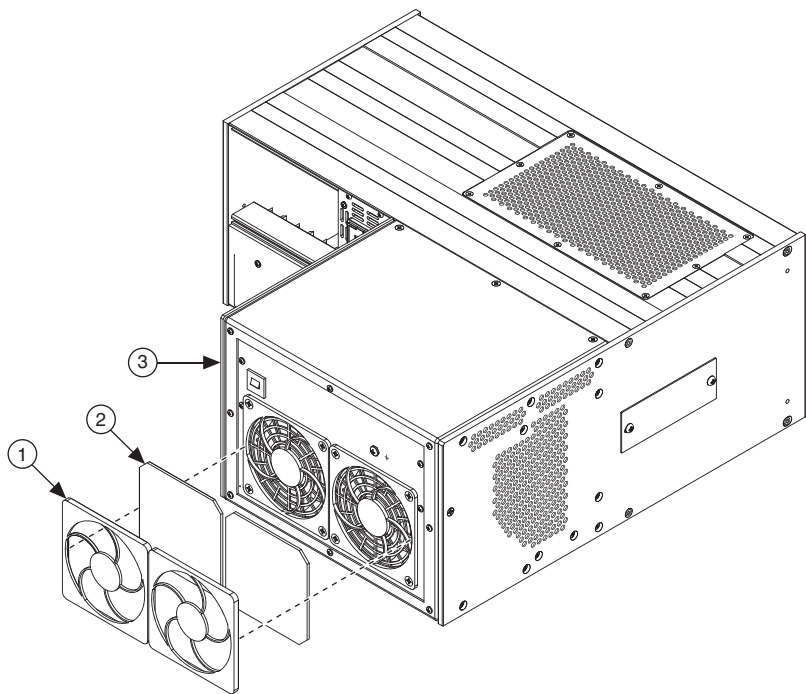
1 Air Filter Retainer (2x)

2 Small Square Filter (2x)

3 NI PXI-1000B Chassis

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**Figure 3.** Rear View of NI PXI-1050 Chassis



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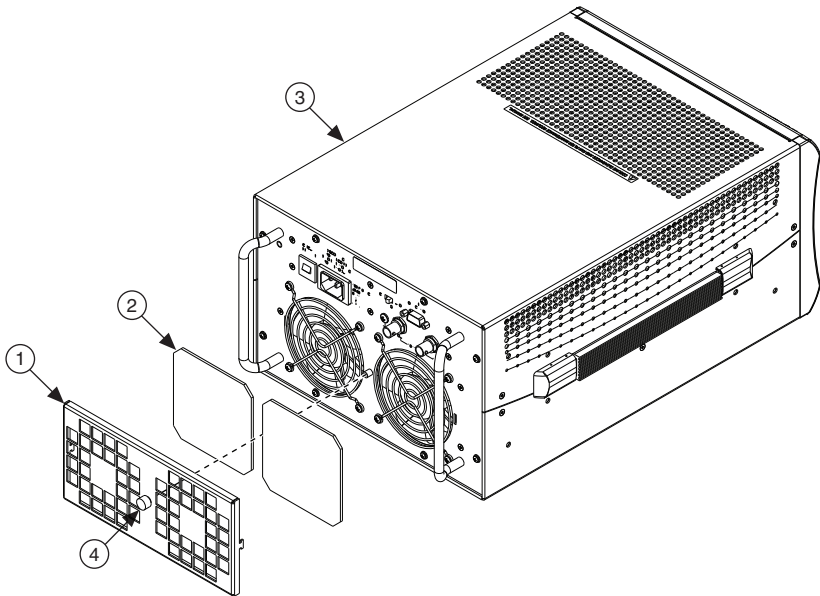
1	Air Filter Retainer (2x)	2	Small Square Filter (2x)	3	NI PXI-1050 Chassis
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Complete the following steps to install a foam filter in your NI PXI-1042 chassis:

1. Locate the air filter retaining screw and loosen it.
2. Remove the air filter retainer.
3. Place a small square filter over each fan.
4. Replace the air filter retainer and tighten the air filter retaining screw.

**Figure 4.** Rear View of NI PXI-1042 Chassis



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| 1 | Air Filter Retainer      |
| 2 | Small Square Filter (2x) |

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| 3 | NI PXI-1042 Chassis        |
| 4 | Air Filter Retaining Screw |

# Large Square Filters

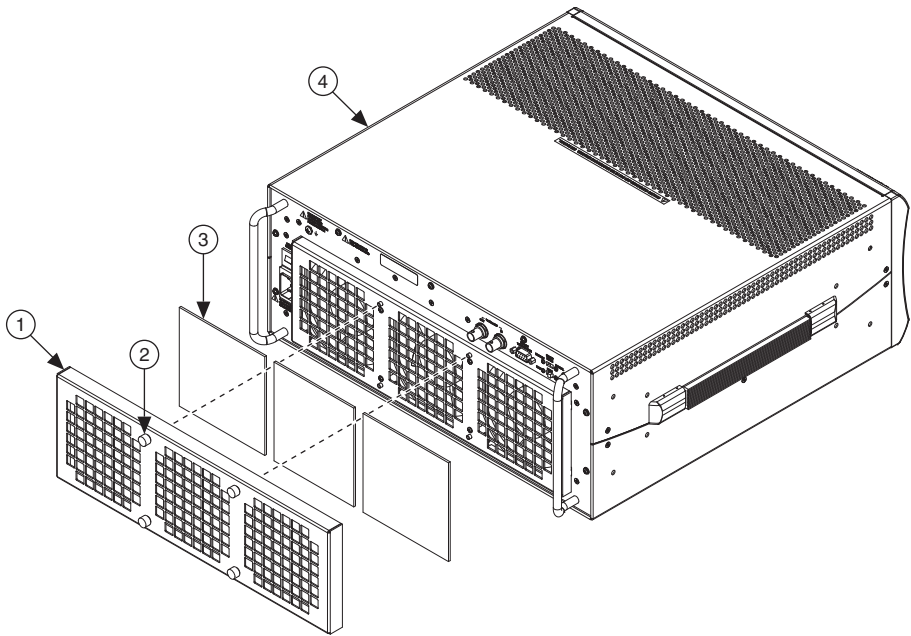
The large square filters are used by the following models:

- NI PXI-1044
- NI PXI-1045
- NI PXI-1052
- NI PXI-1056
- NI PXIe-1075

Complete the following steps to install a foam filter in your NI PXI-1044, NI PXI-1045, NI PXI-1056, or NI PXIe-1075 chassis:

1. Locate the air filter retaining screws and loosen them.
2. Remove the air filter retainer.
3. Place a large square filter over each fan.
4. Replace the air filter retainer and tighten the air filter retaining screws.

**Figure 5.** Rear View of NI PXI-1044, NI PXI-1045, NI PXI-1056, and NI PXIe-1075 Chassis

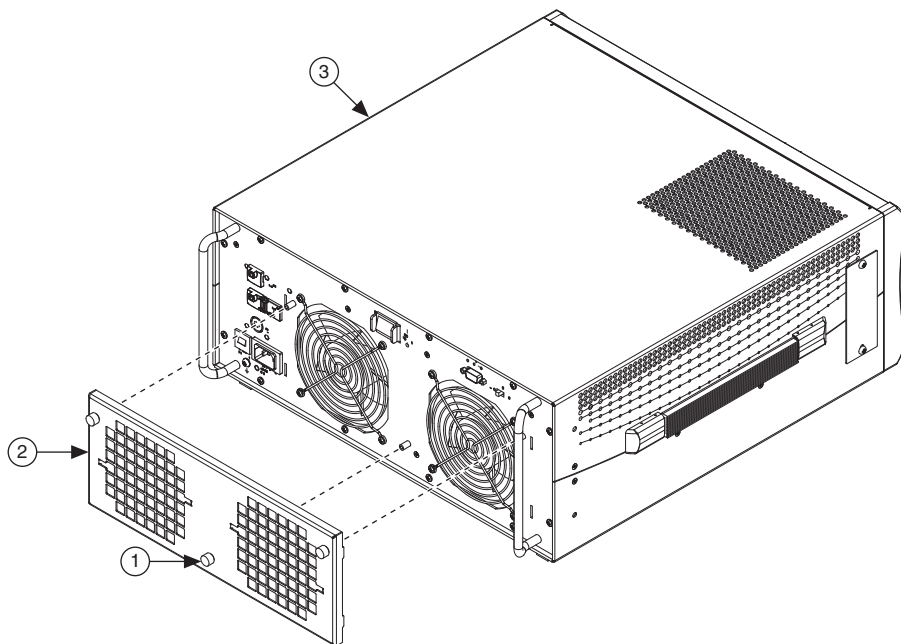


1	Air Filter Retainer	3	Large Square Filter (3x)
2	Air Filter Retaining Screw (4x)	4	18-Slot Chassis

Complete the following steps to install a foam filter in your NI PXI-1052 chassis:

1. Locate the three air filter retaining screws and loosen them.
2. Remove the air filter retainer.
3. Place two large square filters into the filter tabs on the air filter retainer, as shown in Figure 7.
4. Replace the air filter retainer and tighten the air filter retaining screws.

**Figure 6.** Rear View of NI PXI-1052 Chassis



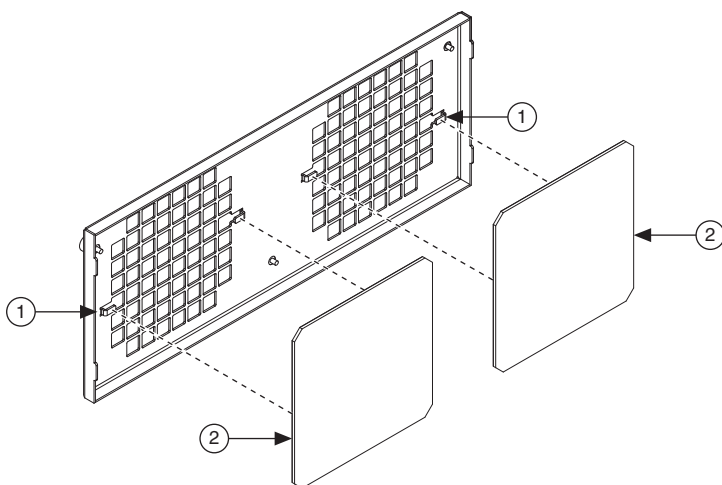
1 Air Filter Retaining Screw (3x)

2 Air Filter Retainer

3 NI PXI-1052 Chassis



**Figure 7.** View of Fan Filter Retainer for the NI PXI-1052 Chassis



1 Filter Tab (4x)

2 Large Square Filter (2x)

# Rectangular Filter

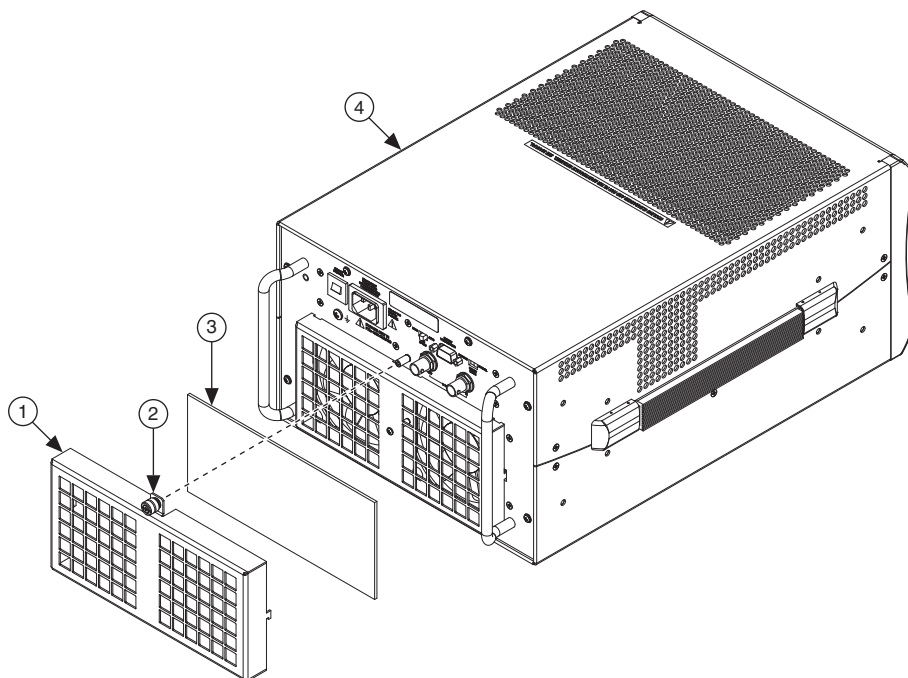
The rectangular filters are used by the following models:

- NI PXI-1042Q
- NI PXIe-1062Q
- NI PXIe-1082

Complete the following steps to install foam filters in your NI PXI-1042Q, NI PXIe-1062Q, or NI PXIe-1082 chassis:

1. Locate the air filter retaining screw and loosen it.
2. Remove the air filter retainer.
3. Place the rectangular filter over the fans.
4. Replace the air filter retainer and tighten the air filter retaining screw.

**Figure 8.** Rear View of NI PXI-1042Q, NI PXIe-1062Q, and NI PXIe-1082 Chassis



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| 1 | Air Filter Retainer        |
| 2 | Air Filter Retaining Screw |

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| 3 | Rectangular Filter |
| 4 | 8-Slot Chassis     |

# Cleaning the Fan Filter

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A dirty fan filter can dramatically affect the cooling performance of your chassis. Clean the filter whenever it becomes visibly dirty.

Complete the following steps to clean a fan filter in your chassis:

1. Remove the filter retainer(s). Refer to the [Installation](#) section for instructions for filter retainer(s) removal.
2. Remove the filter(s).
3. Vacuum or blow air through the filter(s) to remove debris.
4. Wash the filter(s) in a mild soap solution.
5. Rinse the filter(s) with water.
6. Allow the filter(s) to fully dry before reinstalling in the chassis.

For a set of replacement filters, you may purchase NI part number 782949-01. You may also buy replacement filters from other vendors, as long as the filter material is 3/32 in. thick polyurethane foam with a porosity of 30 ppi.

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