

ceiling

[ˈsiːlɪŋ] *n*

1. потолок
a ceiling of stars - *возвыш.* звёздный свод
2. 1) максимум; предел; пик (*напряжения и т. п.*)
2) *эк.* максимальная цена (*установленная властями; тж.* ceiling price)
a new ceiling has been fixed on rents - был установлен новый максимальный уровень квартплаты
- 3) предельный уровень (*вооружений и т. п.*)
to put a ceiling on conventional weapons - установить верхний предел на /ограничить предельным уровнем/ численность обычных вооружений
within the agreed ceiling - в рамках согласованного предельного уровня (*вооружений*)
3. 1) *ав.* (практический) потолок
absolute ceiling - теоретический потолок
- 2) *метеор.* высота, базис облаков
4. *стр.* подшивка потолка
5. *преим. pl* доски для обшивки, сайлинги
6. *мор.*
1) настилка, подволока, подшивка (*паруса*)
2) настил второго дна
◇ to hit the ceiling - *сл.* вспылить, прийти в ярость, взорваться; ≅ на стену лезть

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ceiling [ˈsiːlɪŋ] *BrE* [ˈsiːlɪŋ] *AmE* [ˈsiːlɪŋ] **noun**

1. the top inside surface of a room
 - She lay on her back staring up at the ceiling.
 - a large room with a high ceiling
 - The walls and ceiling were painted white.
 2. the highest limit or amount of sth
 - price ceilings
- compare** ↑floor
3. (**technical**) the greatest height at which a particular aircraft is able to fly
 - an aircraft with a ceiling of 20 000 feet
- see also** ↑glass ceiling **see** hit the ceiling/roof **at** ↑hit *v.*

Word Origin:

Middle English (denoting the action of lining the interior of a room with plaster or panelling): from ceil (perhaps related to Latin *celare*, French *céler* 'conceal') + ↑-ing. Sense 1 dates from the mid 16th cent.

Example Bank:

- The bathroom has mirrors from ceiling to floor.
- The government has decided to lift price ceilings on bread and milk.
- The palace is famous for its 17th-century painted ceilings.
- They have put a ceiling on the price of petrol.
- They've put a \$50 ceiling on their admission charge.
- a ceiling on imports
- a fly on the ceiling

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[Date: 1500-1600; Origin: ceil 'to provide with a ceiling' (16-20 centuries), probably from Latin *caelare* 'to cut into a surface']

1. the inner surface of the top part of a room ⇒ **roof**:
 - rooms with high ceilings
 - a light hanging from the ceiling
2. the largest number or amount of something that is officially allowed
ceiling of
 - a public spending ceiling of £240 billion**impose/set/put a ceiling (on something)**
 - The government imposed a ceiling on imports of foreign cars.**raise/lower the ceiling (on something)**
3. **technical** the greatest height an aircraft can fly at or the level of the clouds
⇒ ↑glass ceiling

THESAURUS

- **limit** the highest number, speed, temperature etc that is allowed by a law or rule: He borrowed money up to the limit that the bank allowed. | The speed limit is 65 m.p.h. | There's no limit on the amount of money that may be brought into the US. | Pollution levels are over the official limit. | Some families set limits on how much they spend on each other's Christmas present.
- **restrictions** rules or laws that strictly control what you are allowed to do: Travel restrictions might reduce the spread of the disease. | Unions are pressing for restrictions on steel imports from Japan. | Because of restrictions on reporting, newspapers

were not allowed to cover the story. | New restrictions have been imposed on immigration.

▪ **limitations** limits on what a person or thing is able to do – used especially when you would like to be able to do more: The president was unwilling to accept limitations on his power. | the limitations of the computer system | Hikers should know their physical limitations and not take unnecessary risks.

▪ **constraints** facts or conditions that limit what you can do, for example not having enough time, money etc: Financial constraints are forcing many people in their twenties to live with their parents. | The last part of the show had to be cut because of time constraints. | The constraints of prison life are sometimes too much for people to bear.

▪ **maximum** the largest number or amount that is possible, normal, or allowed: Classes have a maximum of twenty students. | What's the maximum you can earn before you have to pay tax?

▪ **minimum** the smallest number or amount that is possible or allowed: He was sentenced to a minimum of 25 years in prison. | Our aim is to reduce the number of accidents to an absolute minimum.

▪ **ceiling** the largest number or amount of something that is officially allowed: There is a ceiling on the amount of foreign investment. | Import quotas may rise from the present ceiling of 18.5 million to 20 million. | Congress was once again considering raising the federal debt ceiling.

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