



INSTALLATION CHECKLIST

Attach beams to posts

Determine the desired deck floor height on the posts.

Determine height for securing the top of the beam to the post.

Attach joists

Joists are attached to ledger board with joist hangers or by toenailing. See local building codes for required installation.

Determine where blocking will go and snap a chalk line, but make sure to stagger pieces for ease of nailing.

Lay decking

Attach boards "bark side up" to minimize cupping and warping.

The deck boards can be trimmed after they are installed.

Railings

Railings must be firmly attached to the framing members of the deck.

Check local codes and by-laws for requirements on railings.

Stairs

Check local codes and by-law requirements on stairs.

Measure the rise and run of the stairs.

Multi-level decks

When planning a multi-level deck, for aesthetics make one deck larger than the other.