Instructions for two-piece Rapid Rail or two-piece Aluminum Contemporary Brackets.

There are two methods of installation. Before the posts have been installed, or after the posts and post trim has been installed.

Installation Method 1 - Before posts have been installed

Step 1
- Set post onto worktable with desired side face up.
- Lay the appropriate side of the Bracket Alignment Template (BAT) on the post.
- The BAT has channels sized for 2", 2.5", 3" and 4" posts.
Step 2
- Ensure the correct end of the BAT is toward the top of the post. If the post does not have a post skirt installed, make sure the end labeled “THIS END UP IF POST SKIRT IS NOT INSTALLED” is toward the top of the post.
- Ensure the BAT is pushed against the flange on the bottom of the post.
- Temporarily attach the BAT to the post using a bar clamp.

ORIENTATION DIRECTION:
THIS END UP IF POST SKIRT IS NOT INSTALLED

Step 3
- NOTE: For corner posts, you must pre drill the holes on both sides BEFORE installing the rail brackets. Having a bracket installed on one side will prevent the guide template from laying flush against the post.

Step 4
- Attach the bottom bracket to the post using the screws provided in your Rail Kit.
- Note: Make sure you are using the correct cutout for your orientation. The other cutouts will mount the bracket upside down.
- Attach the top bracket to the post using the marked 36” cutout for a 36” kit or the marked 42” cutout for a 42” kit.

Step 5
- Remove the template from the post and repeat for the rest of the posts.
Installation Method 2 - After posts have been installed

Step 1
• Set the appropriate side of the Bracket Alignment Template (BAT) on the desired post face.
• The BAT has channels sized for 2”, 2.5”, 3” and 4” posts.

Step 2
• Ensure the correct end of the BAT is toward the top of the post. If the post has a post skirt installed, make sure the end labeled “THIS END UP IF POST SKIRT IS INSTALLED” is toward the top of the post.
• NOTE: This template is designed for a Deckorators Post Skirt. The brackets may be misaligned if not used with a Deckorators Post Skirt.
• Ensure the BAT is pushed against the skirt on the bottom of the post.
• Temporarily attach the BAT to the post using a bar clamp.

Step 3
• NOTE: For corner posts, you must pre drill the holes on both sides BEFORE installing the rail brackets. Having a bracket installed on one side will prevent the guide template from laying flush against the post.

Step 4
• Attach the bottom bracket to the post using the screws provided in your Rail Kit.
• Note: Make sure you are using the correct cutout for your orientation. The other cutouts will mount the bracket upside down.
• Attach the top bracket to the post using the marked 36” cutout for a 36” kit or the marked 42” cutout for a 42” kit.

Step 5
• Remove the template from the post and repeat for the rest of the posts.

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