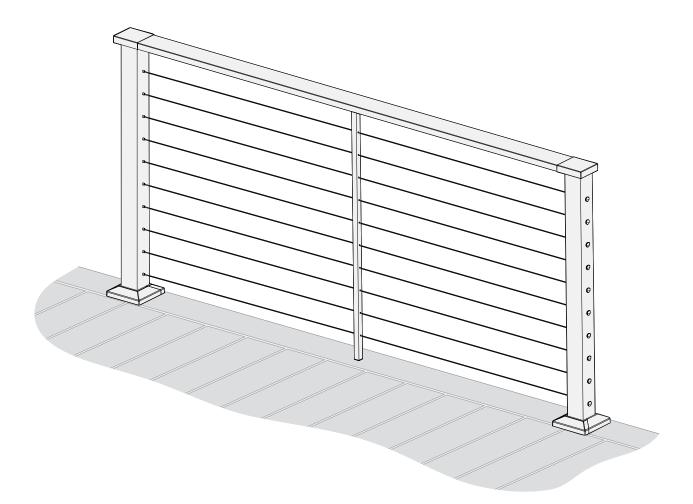


## CONTINUOUS TOP CABLE RAIL

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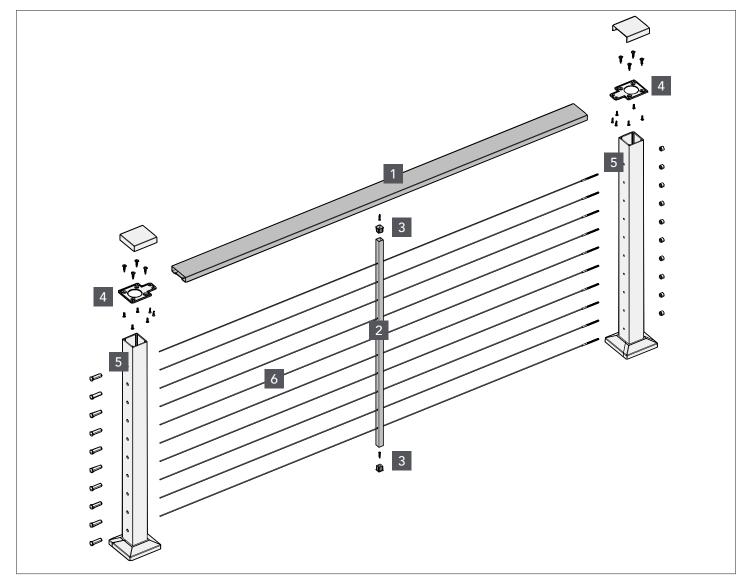
Check with your local regulatory agency for special code requirements in your area.

Read these instructions completely for an understanding of how the product fits together and how each part affects the others.

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## PARTS AND TOOLS

#### PARTS INCLUDED



ITEM	NAME	QTY
1	Top Rail	1
2	Cable Spacer	1*
3	Cable Spacer Connector with #8 x 1" Screw	2*

ITEM	NAME	QTY
4	Continous Top Rail Brackets (Sold Seperately)	2
5	Cable Posts (Sold Seperately)	2
6	Cable Kit (Sold Seperately)	1

 $^{\ast}$  8' kits contain additonal cable spacers and cable spacer connectors with screws.

### TOOLS REQUIRED

- Power Drill
- 5/32" Drill Bit
- 5/8" Drill Bit
- 1/8" Drill Bit

• 3/16" Allen Wrench

• 15/64" Drill Bit

• T20 Torx Bit (provided)

• Tape Measure

Drill Bit

Pencil

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### **IMPORTANT NOTES**

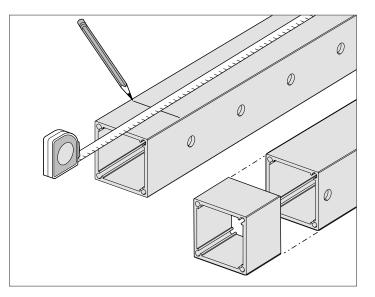
- We STRONGLY recommend watching the installation video before attempting installation.
- Common railing heights are 36" and 42".
- Determine the number of railing posts needed for your deck. Post spacing is 6' or 8' on-center. Example: A 12' x 16' deck attached to a building with a 4' access opening on one side requires eight posts. Use as many full panels as possible to minimize cutting.
- If installing low-voltage lighting, install the wiring before securing the posts to the deck surface.
- Drill pilot holes to prevent cracking the support boards.



Scan for additional information and installation videos

## 1. CUT THE POSTS

- 1. Measure and mark the correct length for each post:
- For the 36" kit, the post length is 35".
- For the 42" kit, the post length is 41".
  IMPORTANT: Make sure to include the post flange in your measurement of each post length.
- 2. Cut each post to the correct length based on your marks.

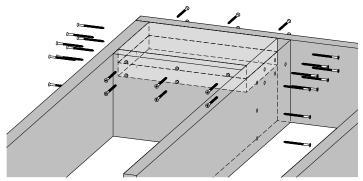


#### PREPARE TO INSTALL THE POSTS

- 1. Add one 4' x 6' treated southern yellow pine block, or two 2' x 8' blocks, between the insides of the joists.
- 2. Drill pilot holes and securely fasten the blocks in place with #10 x 3" galvanized wood screws (not provided).
- 3. Make sure the decking is firmly attached to the joist at the location where the posts will be installed.

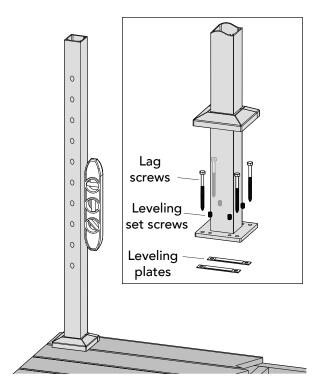
**NOTE:** When installing the post on to a wood surface, screws must be lagged into at least 3" of solid wood (not including the decking). 5/4" or 1 ½" deck boards do not provide sufficient material for a safe installation. If necessary, add additional material to the underside of the surface.

\*Joist hardware hidden for simplification



#### 3. INSTALL THE POSTS

- 1. Place each post in the desired location on the deck and use the four 11/32" diameter mounting holes in each base as a guide to mark the base hole locations.
- 2. Set the post aside and use a 3/8" drill bit to drill clearance holes only through the decking. Do not drill into the substructure and/or blocking.
- 3. Use a 15/64" drill bit to drill pilot holes for 5/16" x 4" or longer lag screws through the decking and reinforcement.
- 4. Attach the two leveling plates with double-sided tape to the bottom of the post so that the plate lies beneath the leveling set screws and the mounting holes are aligned.
- 5. Reposition each post; then insert and partially tighten the four 5/16" x 4" or longer lag screws (sold seperately).
- Using a level, adjust the leveling set screws with a 3/16" allen wrench until the post is plumb.
- 7. Fully tighten the post fasteners to secure the post to the deck structure.

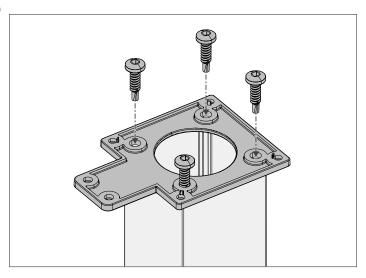


#### 4. INSTALL THE POST SKIRT

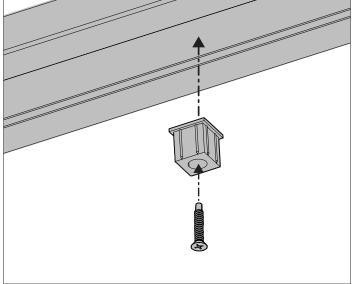
If you are installing a one-piece post skirt, install it before moving forward. **NOTE:** A two-piece post skirt can be installed at the end of the installation.

#### ATTACH THE BRACKET BASES (SOLD SEPARATELY)

- 1. Set a bracket base on top of each post oriented so that the flat side with locating pins is facing down.
- 2. Attach each bracket base to the post using the four provided ¼" x 1" screws.



ATTACH THE CABLE SPACER CONNECTOR TO THE TOP RAIL



1. Measure the bottom surface of the top rail and mark the center.

**NOTE:** Any rail over 6' requires two evenly-spaced connectors.

- 2. Using a 1/8" drill bit, drill a pilot hole in the marked location(s).
- 3. Attach the cable spacer connector(s) to the top rail using the provided #8 x 1" screw.

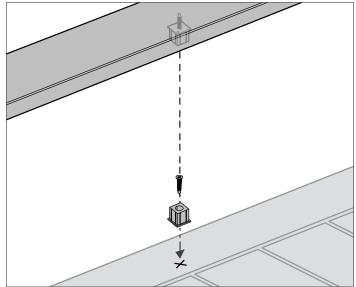
#### INSTALL THE TOP RAIL

- 1. Push the cable spacer(s) onto the cable spacer connector(s) on the bottom of the top rail.
- 2. Set the top rail onto the bracket bases attached to each post.

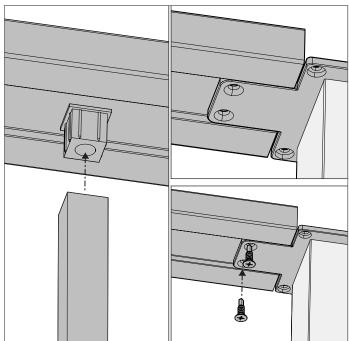
**NOTE:** Be sure to insert the cable spacer(s) into the cable spacer connector(s) on the deck surface when you lower the rail into position. The bottom of the top rail should seat onto the extensions on the bracket bases.

- 3. Using each bracket base as a guide, use a 5/32" drill bit to drill pilot holes in the bottom of the top rail.
- 4. Secure the top rail to each bracket base with two of the provided #10 x 3/4" flat-head screws.

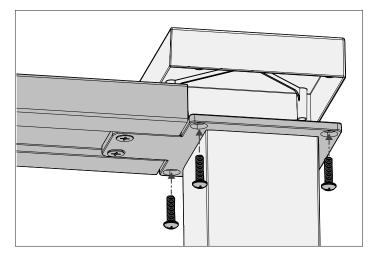
# ATTACH THE CABLE SPACER CONNECTOR TO THE DECK SURFACE



- 1. Set the top rail on the deck surface, centered between the posts.
- 2. Mark the locations of the installed cable spacer connector(s) on the deck surface.
- 3. Using a 1/8" drill bit, drill a pilot hole in each marked location.
- 4. Attach the the cable spacer connector(s) to the deck surface using the provided #8 x 1" screw(s).

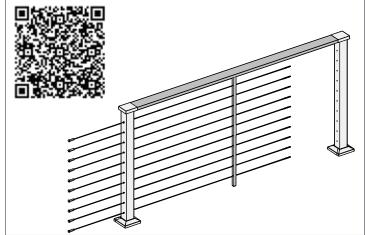


ATTACH THE BRACKET COVERS



- 1. Place a bracket cover over each bracket base.
- 2. Attach each bracket cover to the bracket base using four of the provided #8 x 5/8" pan-head screws.

#### 10. INSTALL THE CABLES



- 1. Thread the cables through the post, cable spacer, and any intermediate posts.
- 2. Finish installing the cables according to the cable kit instructions.

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