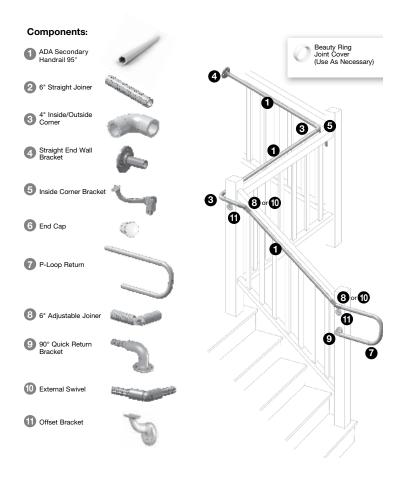


# **ADA Compliant Handrail Guidelines and Installation**

### **Items You Will Need**

- Pencil
- · Tape Measure
- Level
- #2 Square Drive Bit
- Drill
- · Chop/Miter Saw
- Quick Clamps



1" self-drilling metal screws and 2-1/4" wood screws are included for attaching brackets. Use the appropriate screws for your application.

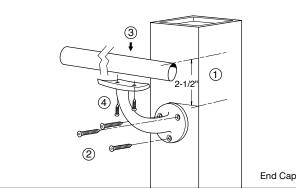
#### **Offset Bracket (Line Post Mounting Bracket)**

**Step 1:** Measure 2-1/2" less than the handrail height to determine bracket position. Mark surface.

**Step 2:** Align the top of the bracket mounting plate with the mark made in Step 1. Drill 5/32" pilot holes and attach to the desired surface using the appropriate screws.

**Step 3:** Clamp handrail to bracket at appropriate location to secure in place.

**Step 4:** Drill 5/32" pilot holes and attach handrail using the 1" screws provided.



End Caps optional

## Handrail

**Step 1:** Dry fit handrails to determine proper lengths prior to cutting rails.

Step 2: Measure and cut rails to proper lengths for all runs.

**Step 3:** Install to handrail component, following instructions for the components.

Prior to construction, check with your local regulatory agency for special code requirements in your area.

Start with an Inside Corner piece when applicable.

#### **Guidelines:**

- The height of the secondary handrail must be installed between 34" and 38" above the surface, regardless of the height of the guard.
- We recommend that handrails be dry fit prior to final installation to eliminate cutting and fastening errors.
- IMPORTANT: The secondary handrail must be attached to a structural support. When installing mounting brackets on post sleeves, ensure the hardware attaches to the structural support.
- For maximum strength, brackets should be used at every post and every joint, or as closely as possible to the joint.
- An adhesive may be applied to further reinforce construction.
- Handrails must be supported every 6' on-center by a mounting bracket.

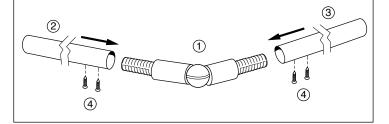
#### **External Swivel**

**Step 1:** Adjust external swivel to desired angle and install set screw.

Step 2: Cut handrail to desired length.

Step 3: Insert external swivel bracket into the handrail.

**Step 4:** Pre-drill handrail and bracket with 5/32" drill bit and install 1" screw provided.

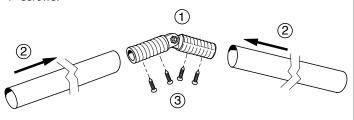


#### **Adjustable Joiner**

Step 1: Measure the angle needed. Adjoin the two joiner halves together by inserting the bolt. Place the joiner halves at the desired angle, and tighten bolt to set.

Step 2: Cut handrails at ½ the desired angle. Slide handrails onto adjustable joiner.

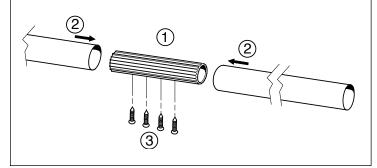
Step 3: Drill 5/32" pilot holes and fasten handrails together using 1" screws.



## **Aluminum Joiner Kit**

Step 1: Use aluminum joiner to fasten handrail components at straight joints.

Step 2: Slide joiner an equal distance into both components. Drill 5/32" pilot holes and fasten using 1" screws provided. Note: All joiners should be supported by an aluminum bracket as closely as possible to the joint.

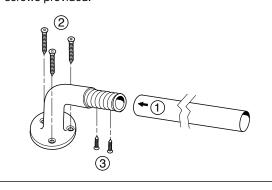


#### 90° Post Return

Step 1: Slide 90° post return into handrail.

Step 2: Drill 5/32" pilot holes into the desired surface and attach post return using the appropriate screws.

Step 3: Drill 5/32" pilot holes into handrail and attach using 1" screws provided.

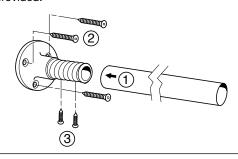


#### Straight Aluminum Wall Mount

Step 1: Slide aluminum wall mount into handrail.

Step 2: Drill 5/32" pilot holes into desired surface and attach wall mount using the appropriate screws.

Step 3: Drill 5/32" pilot holes into handrail and attach using 1" screws provided.



#### P-Loop Return

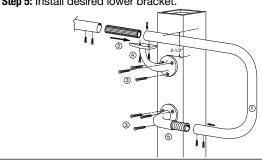
Step 1: Attach top bracket at desired location using appropriate connectors.

Step 2: Cut P-Loop to desired length.

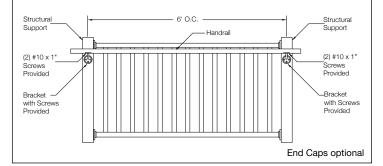
Step 3: Connect P-Loop to secondary handrail tube using the appropriate joiners (Straight, Adjustable joiners or External swivel).

Step 4: Set P-Loop on top of bracket and pre drill with drill bit and install 1" screw provided.

Step 5: Install desired lower bracket.



This handrail configuration has been tested and meets the requirements of 2009 IRC.



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