## RESIDENTIAL DECK DESIGN GUIDE

The attached deck design guide is intended to streamline the design and approval process for the installation of a new residential deck. The information and details within the guide have been vetted by Building Officials and Tacoma Engineers Inc. to ensure compliance with the Ontario Building Code.

The first three pages of the guide are sample deck layouts; pick the one that best fits your project and fill in <u>all</u> required information on the layout page. The remaining pages within the guide are listed below, these will provide you with the information and details needed to complete the above task. These details are intended to give you options based on your project type/design and construction comfort level. Make sure you check off the details you will be utilizing and provide the information as requested. The entire package will be submitted to the Building Department as part of your application for a permit to construct a deck.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact your local building department.

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Page 1a:Layout 1: Single Beam Optionselect your layoutPage 1b:Layout 2: Double Beam Optionand provide allPage 1c:Layout 3: Single Beam Option – End Beam at Houserequired informationNote: Your layout can be modified to suite your design; please indicate the proposed location of stairson the layout as well

Page 2: Deck Beam, Joist and Footing Tables

Table A: Deck Joists spans
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guardrail will be required to be submitted with the permit application. The required

information should be available through the dealer.

Page 11: Stair Section

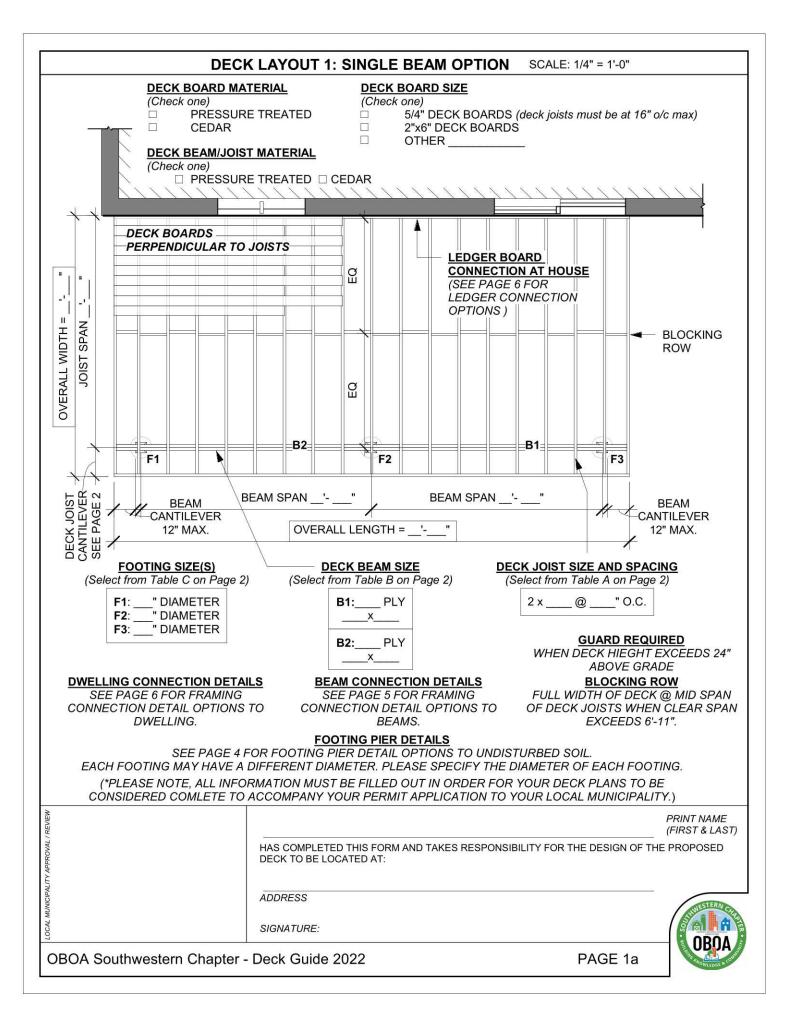
\* Lateral bracing may be required if deck is greater than 1:1 ratio (width vs length) or at the discretion of the local building department\*

If you are proposing to construct a deck that does not utilize the details within the guide, an engineer may be required to review your proposed design and provide their seal and signature to ensure the proposed design meets requirements of the Ontario Building Code; this will be at the discretion of your local building department.

#### The scope of this deck design guide is limited to the following:

Individual/single dwelling units; single storey in height. Only uniformly distributed loading cases have been considered within the scope of this deck guide. Additional design and review by a Professional Engineer may be required in consideration of any additional superimposed, composite or concentrated loads that may be imposed upon the designed deck structure. A deck structure designed under this guide is not commensurate with an external balcony as described by OBC Div. B, Table 4.1.5.3.





DECK LAYOUT 2: DOUBLE BEAM OPTION SCALE: 1/4" = 1'-0"				
DECK BOARD MATERIAL (Check one)  PRESSURE TREATED  CEDAR		(Check one)  □ 5/4" DECK BOARDS (deck joists must be at 16" o/c max)  □ 2"x6" DECK BOARDS		
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TABLE A: DECK JOISTS - PER CWC THE SPAN BOOK 2020, TABLE 10.1a.					
LUMBER	JOIST SIZE	12" SPACING (O.C.)	16" SPACING (O.C.)	24" SPACING (O.C.)	MAX. JOIST CANTILEVER
SPRUCE	2" x 6"*	10' - 0"	9' - 1"	7' - 11"	NOT PERMITTED
- PINE - FIR, NO.	2" x 8"	13' - 2"	11' - 11"	10' - 1"	LESSER OF 16" OR 1/6 OF TOTAL JOIST LENGTH
1 & 2	2" x 10"	16' - 10"	15' - 2"	12' - 4"	1 - 2 - 2 - 2 - 2 - 2 - 2 - 2 - 2 - 2 -
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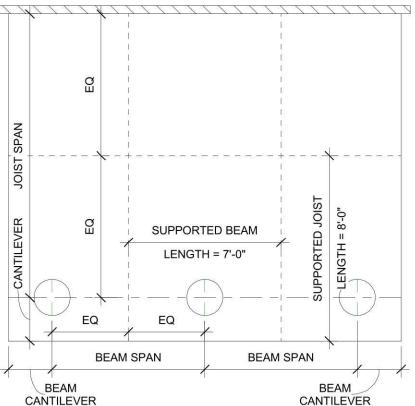
TABLE 'A' NOTES: 2" x 6" JOIST MAY ONLY BE USED WHERE THE DECK IS LESS THAN 23 1/2" FROM GRADE WHERE NO GUARD IS TO BE PROVIDED. GUARDS REQUIRE MIN. 2" x 8" JOISTS.

TABLE B: DECK BEAMS - PER CWC THE SPAN BOOK 2020, TABLE 10.3a

LUMBER SUPPORT		2" x 8"		2" x 10"		2" x 12"	
	LENGTH		3 - PLY	2 - PLY	3 - PLY	2 - PLY	3 - PLY
SPRUCE	8'	7' - 2"	8' - 10"	8' - 9"	10' - 9"	10' - 2"	12' - 6"
- PINE - FIR, NO.	10'	6' - 5"	7' - 10"	7' - 10"	9' - 8"	9' - 1"	11' - 2"
1 & 2	12'	5' - 10"	7' - 2"	7' - 2"	8' - 9"	8' - 4"	10' - 2"
	14'	5' - 5"	6' - 8"	6' - 8"	8' - 2	7' - 8"	9' - 5"
	16'	5' - 1"	6' - 3"	6' - 2"	7' - 7"	7' - 2"	8' - 10"
	18'	4' - 9"	5' - 10"	5' - 10"	7' - 2"	6' - 9"	8' - 4"
	20'	4' -6"	5' - 7"	5' - 7"	6' - 10"	6' - 5"	7' - 11"

TABLE 'B' NOTE:
MAX. BEAM CANTILEVER IS 12"
FOR ALL SIZES.

TABLES VALID FOR 1.9 kPa (40 psf) OCCUPACY LIVE LOAD, 0.5 kPa (10 psf) DEAD LOAD AND GROUND SNOW LOADS UP TO 2.7 kPa (56.4 psf).



REQUIRED DECK FOOTING CAPACITY
FOOTING LOAD = SUPPORTED BEAM LENGTH x
SUPPORTED JOIST LENGTH x 50 LBS/SQFT

USE FOOTING/PIER SIZING TABLE BELOW TO DETERMINE MINIMUM FOOTING SIZE BASED ON FOOTING LOAD.

#### **EXAMPLE (MIDDLE FOOTING):**

(DECK LOADS, SEE O.B.C. 9.4.2.3.)

- SUPPORT BEAM LENGTH = 7'-0"
- SUPPORT JOIST LENGTH = 8'-0"
- FOOTING LOAD = 7 x 8 x 50 = 2240 LBS THEREFORE, MIDDLE FOOTING WOULD REQUIRE 16" DIA. OR 14" SQUARE FOOTING.

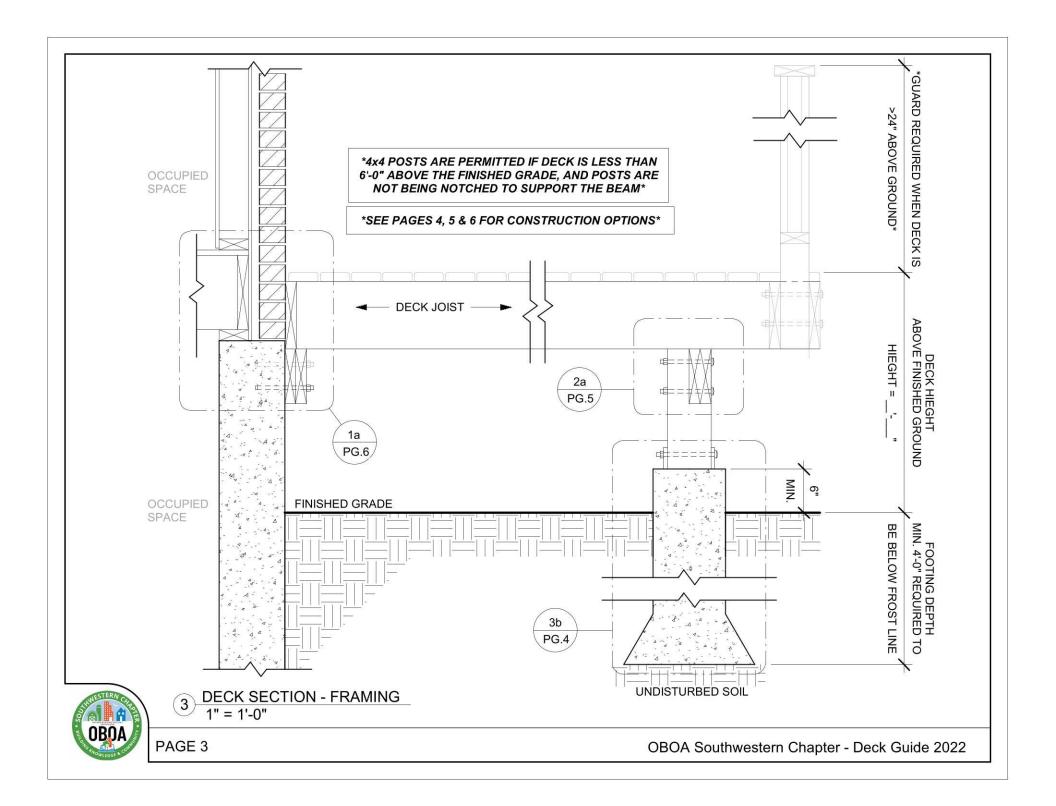
#### **TABLE C: FOOTING / PIER SIZING TABLE**

MINIMUM	MAX. FOOTING CAPACITY			
FOOTING SIZE	ROUND (DIA.)	SQUARE		
10"	1139 LBS	1450 LBS		
12"	1640 LBS	2089 LBS		
14"	2233 LBS	2843 LBS		
16"	2916 LBS	3713 LBS		
18"	3691 LBS	4699 LBS		
24"	6560 LBS	8352 LBS		

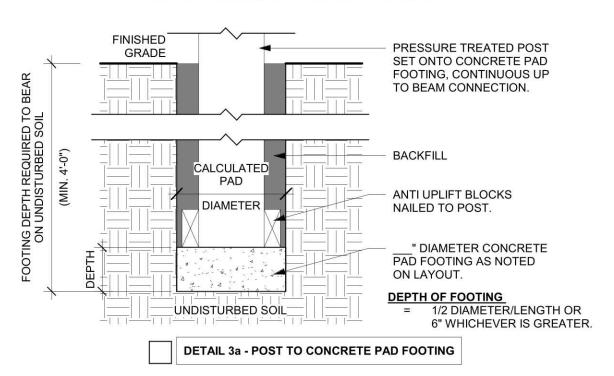
NOTE: MAX. FOOTING CAPACITY BASED ON A SOIL BEARING CAPACITY OF 100 kPa (2088 psf)

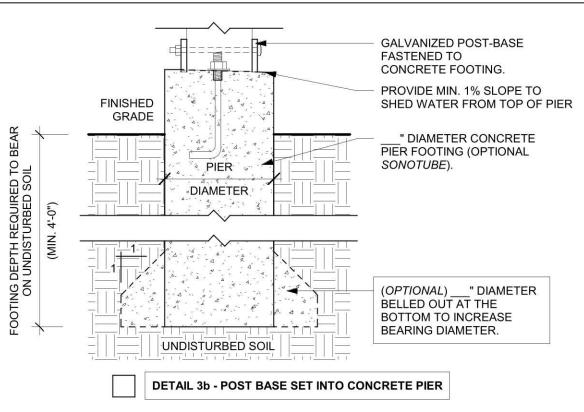
2 TABLES AND CALCULATIONS 1/4" = 1'-0"





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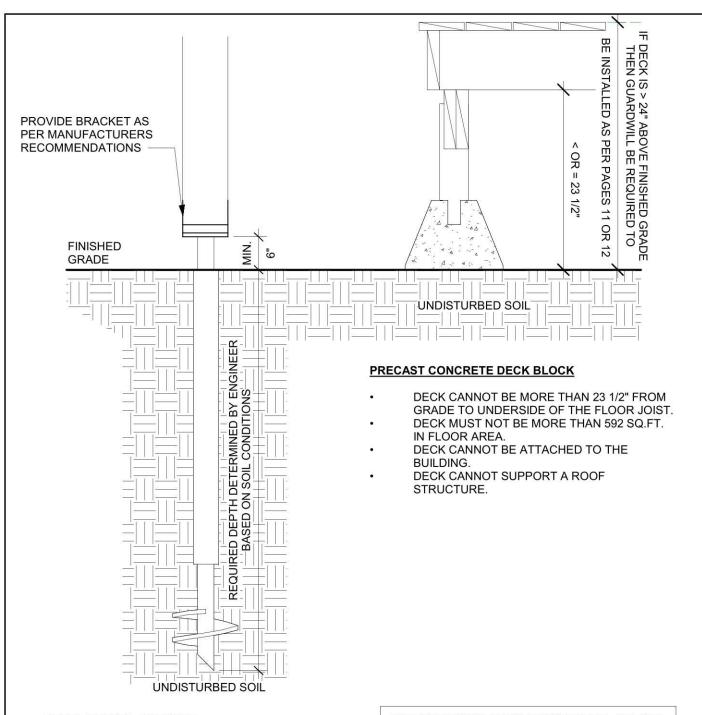


4 FOUNDATION CONNECTIONS 1 1/2" = 1'-0"

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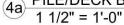


#### STEEL HELICAL PILE/PIER

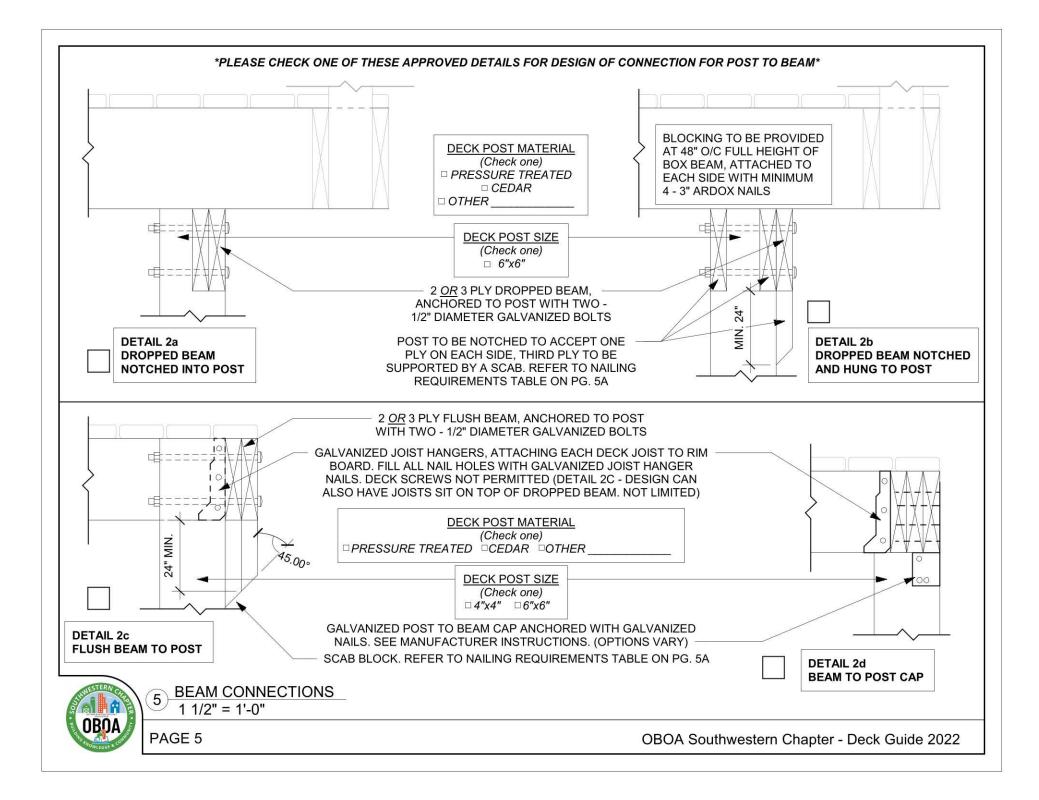
- MANUFACTURER' INFORMATION MUST BE SUBMITTED WITH PERMIT APPLICATION ALONG WITH CCMC APPROVAL
- PROFESSIONAL ENGINEER MUST DETERMINE THE DEPTH, SPACING AND SIZE OF HELICALS BASED ON SOIL CONDITION

USE OF DECK BLOCKS AND/OR STEEL HELICAL PILES IS SUBJECT TO MUNICIPAL APPROVAL. CONTACT YOUR LOCAL BUILDING DEPARTMENT TO DISCUSS USE OF THESE OPTIONS.

FOUNDATION CONNECTIONS - HELICAL PILE/DECK BLOCK



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#### \*PLEASE CHECK ONE OF THESE APPROVED DETAILS FOR DESIGN OF CONNECTION FOR POST TO BEAM\* **DECK POST MATERIAL BLOCKING TO BE PROVIDED BLOCKING TO BE PROVIDED** (Check one) AT 48" O/C FULL HEIGHT OF AT 48" O/C FULL HEIGHT OF □ PRESSURE TREATED BOX BEAM, ATTACHED TO BOX BEAM, ATTACHED TO □ CEDAR EACH SIDE WITH MINIMUM EACH SIDE WITH MINIMUM □ OTHER 4 - 3" ARDOX NAILS 4 - 3" ARDOX NAILS DECK POST SIZE (Check one) □ 6"x6" NOTE: INTERIOR □ 4"x4" PLY TO HAVE DOUBLE NAILS 2 OR 3 PLY DROPPED BOX BEAM, ANCHORED TO POST WITH TWO -1/2" DIAMETER GALVANIZED BOLTS 24" Z Z NOTE: FOR ALL INTERIOR BEAM LINES (B1 AND B3 **DETAIL 2f DETAIL 2e** FROM PAGE 1b) LINE, JOISTS SHALL BEAR ON ALL 2-PLY DROPPED BOX 3-PLY DROPPED BOX PLIES OF BEAM **BEAM HUNG TO POST BEAM HUNG TO POST** 5 1/2" (FOR 2 x 6 SCAB) 3 1/2" (FOR 2 x 4 SCAB) ALL PLYS TO BE SUPPORTED BY A FULL TO 4 x 4 POST **TABLE D: NAIL REQUIREMENTS** POST WIDTH SCAB, REFER TO NAILING TO 6 x 6 POST REQUIREMENTS TABLE ON PG. 5A. **FOOTING** 3" NAILS 3 1/2" NAILS **HOW TO USE TABLE D: POUNDS** 2 PLY 3 PLY 2 PLY 3 PLY SELECT SIZE OF NAILS. SELECT NUMBER OF PLYS IN BEAM. 2. 9 6 2000 13 BASED ON THE FOOTING LOAD (REFER TO 9 3000 19 13 13 TABLE C ON PAGE 2) SELECT NUMBER OF

- NAILS REQUIRED IN EACH SCAB BLOCK.
- FOR 3 PLY BEAMS ONLY REMEMBER THE INTERIOR SCAB BLOCK NEEDS TWICE THE NUMBER OF NAILS.
- 5. USING THE NAIL SPACING, DETERMINE THE MINIMUM SCAB BLOCK SIZE.



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**BEAM CONNECTIONS - CONTINUED** 1 1/2" = 1'-0"

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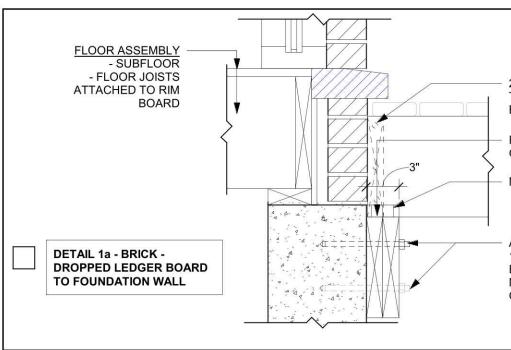
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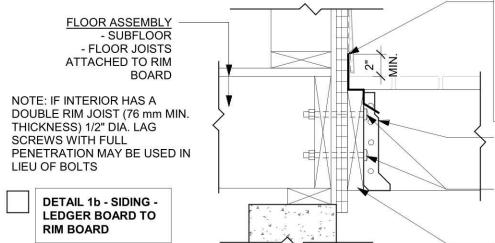


2/3rds JOIST DEPTH BLOCKING BETWEEN JOISTS TO PREVENT TWISTING. FRICTION FIT INTO PLACE AND FASTEN TO JOISTS ON BOTH SIDES. DO NOT COVER THE BRICK WEEP HOLES.

FASTEN FLOOR JOISTS TO THE LEDGER BOARD WITH A 3" GALVANIZED NAIL, EACH SIDE.

MINIMUM 1.5" BEARING FOR JOISTS

ATTACH MINIMUM 2 PLY LEDGER BOARD TO FOUNDATION WALL WITH 1/2" DIAMETER GALVANIZED EXPANSION ANCHORS WITH MINIMUM 4" EMBEDMENT IN CONCRETE FOUNDATION, STAGGERED SPACING MATCHED TO JOIST SPACING (i.e. JOISTS AT 16" O.C., ANCHORS AT 16" O.C.). PRE-DRILL HOLES, SEE MANUFACTURER DETAILS FOR INSTALL.



#### FLASHING REQUIREMENTS

- EXTEND 2" VERTICALLY ABOVE DECK, UNDER THE MEMBRANE OR SHEATHING.
- MUST BE BENT TO HAVE SLOPE OUTWARD, TO SHED WATER AT BOTTOM.
- TERMINATE AT EACH END HORIZONTALLY WITH AN END-DAM.
- MUST LAP 1/2" OVER THE BUILDING ELEMENT BELOW. AND
  - TERMINATE IN A DRIP EDGE (BEND AT BOTTOM) 1/4" AWAY FROM LOWER BUILDING ELEMENT

GALVANIZED JOIST HANGERS. FILL ALL NAIL HOLES WITH GALVANIZED JOIST HANGER NAILS. DECK SCREWS NOT PERMITTED.

BOLT LEDGER BOARD THROUGH INTERIOR RIM BOARD WITH TWO - 1/2" DIAMETER GALVANIZED BOLTS, SPACING MATCHED TO JOISTS

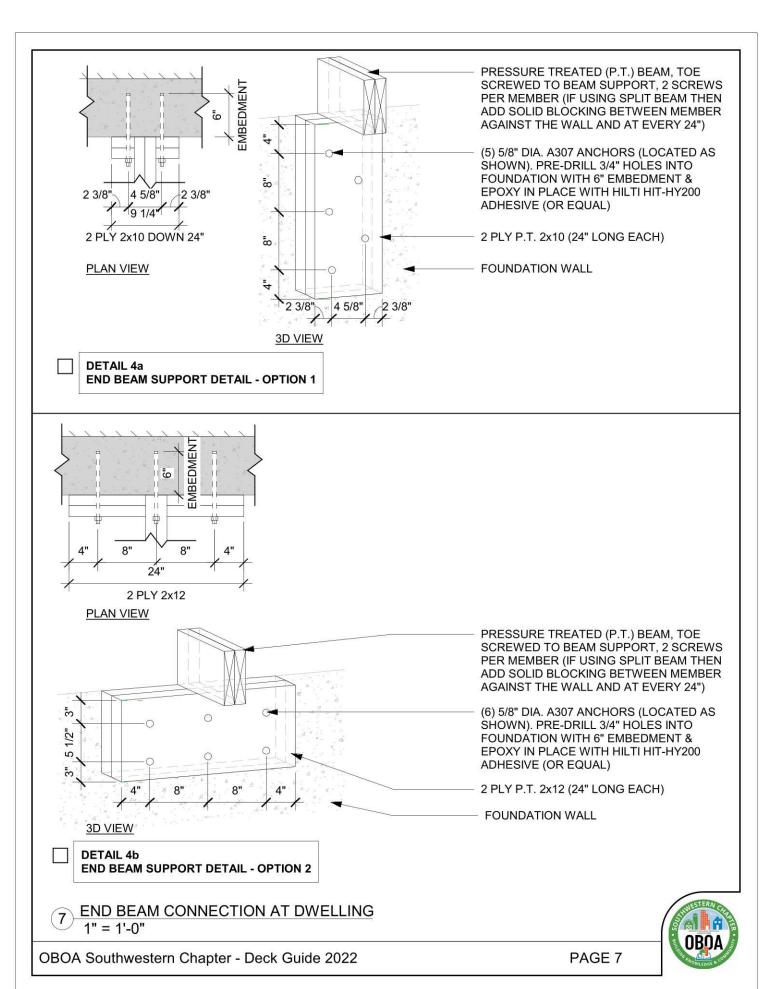
SINGLE LEDGER BOARD FOR 1.5" 10d NAILS ON HANGERS, EQUAL DEPTH OF DECK JOISTS.

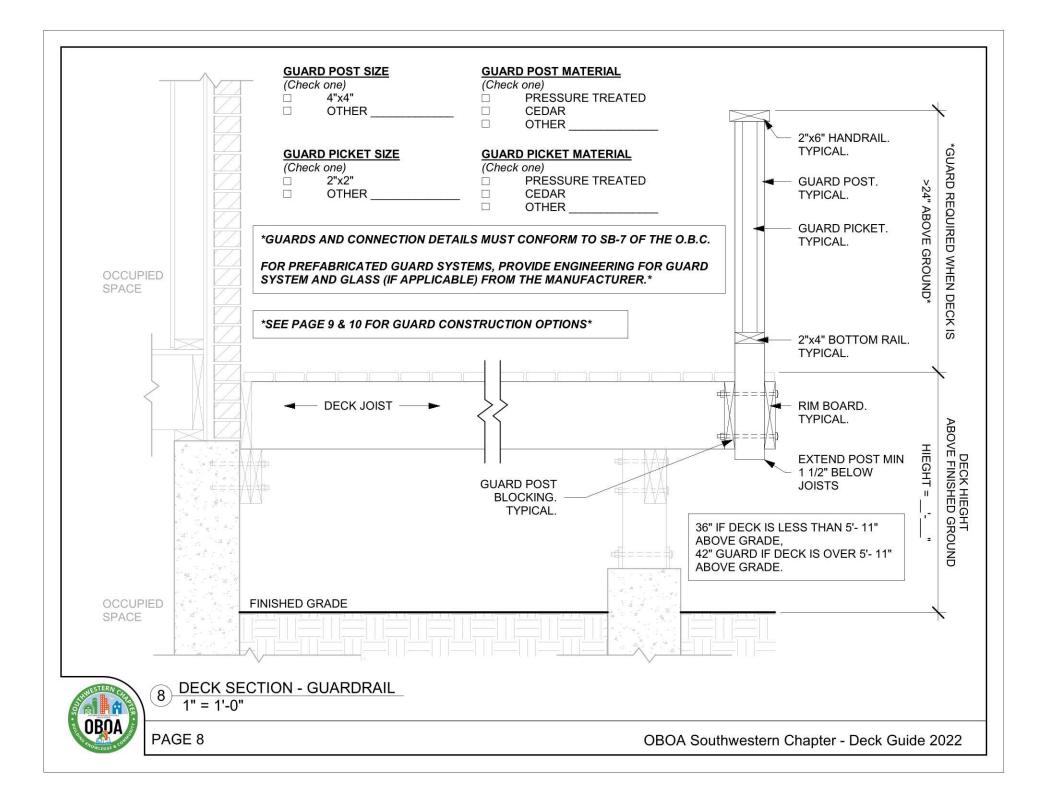
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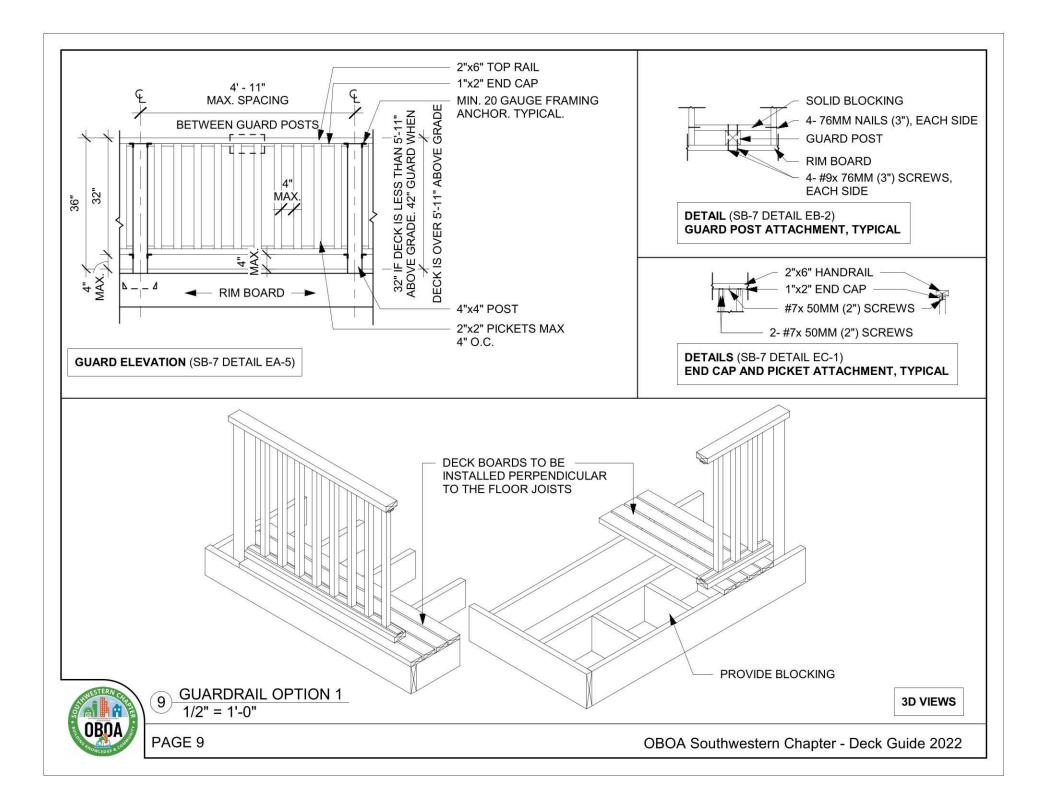


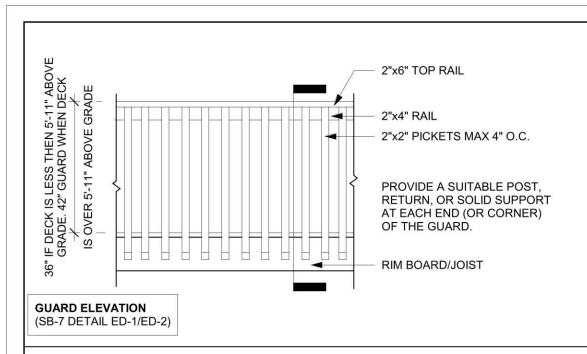
6 LEDGER BOARD CONNECTIONS 1 1/2" = 1'-0"

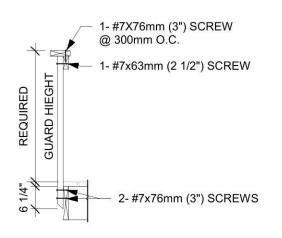
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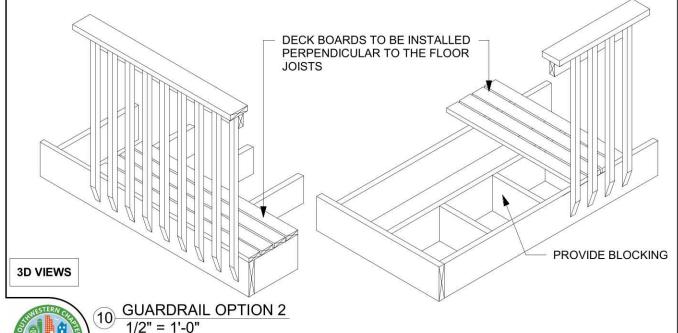


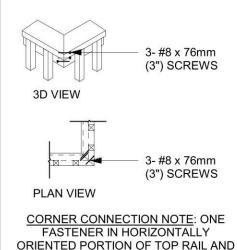






**DETAIL** (SB-7 DETAIL ED-1/ED-2) **PICKET ATTACHMENT, TYPICAL** 



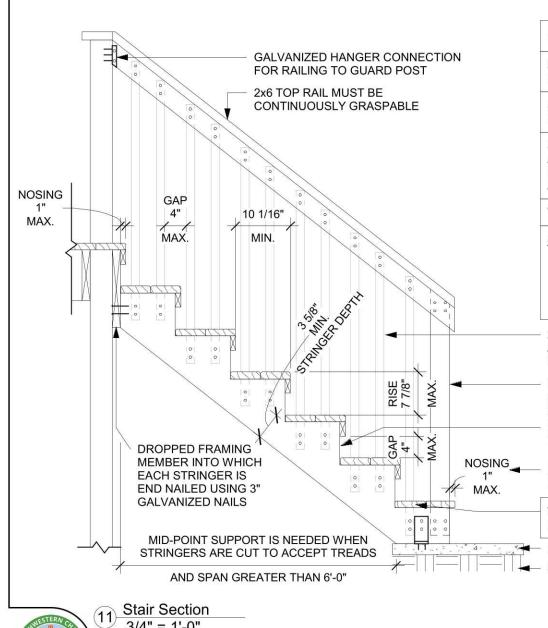


DETAIL (SB-7 DETAIL ED-5)
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#### GUARDS CONSTRUCTED PER SB-7 OF THE O.B.C.

36" STAIR GUARD REQUIRED ON STAIRS WITH FINISHED DECK HEIGHT OF 24" OR HIGHER.

STAIR HANDRAIL REQUIRED ON STAIRS WITH 3 OR MORE RISERS. (HEIGHT 34" MIN. - 42" MAX.)

STRINGERS MUST BE SUPPORTED AND SECURED AT THE TOP AND BOTTOM (MAX. SPACING 35 1/2"). MID-POINT SUPPORT IS NEEDED WHEN STRINGERS ARE CUT TO ACCEPT TREADS AND ARE GREATHER THAN 6'-0" IN LENGTH

WOODEN STRINGERS TO BE TREATED FOR GROUND CONTACT

#### STAIR CONFIGURATIONS

RISE: MAX= 7 7/8", MIN= 5" RUN: MAX= 14", MIN= 10 1/16" WIDTH: MIN= 34" (MEASURED BETWEEN INTERIOR FACES OF GUARDS)

2X2 PICKETS ATTACHED WITH TWO SCREWS AT TOP AND BOTTOM. SPACED SO GAPS BETWEEN PICKETS ARE A MAXIMUM OF 4".

MINIMUM 4x4 POST REQUIRED AT TOP AND BOTTOM OF STAIR GUARD, PROVIDE ADEQUATE BLOCKING TO PREVENT LATERAL MOVEMENT. MAXIMUM GAP IN RISER SO NO OBJECTS LARGER THAN 4" CAN FIT THROUGH OPENING

MAXIMUM NOSING FOR ALL TREADS INCLUDING TOP AND BOTTOM

WHEN 5/4" TREADS ARE BEING USED THE STRINGERS MUST NOT BE SPACED MORE THAN 16" ON CENTRE.

POURED CONCRETE PAD OR CONCRETE PAVERS SOLID COMPACTED CHIPS AND DUST



3/4" = 1'-0"

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