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Floor

## Stairway Notes:

1. Stairways shall be not less than 36 " in width.
2. Stairway risers shall be not greater than $73 / 4$ ".
3. Stairway treads shall have a minimum run of 10 ".
4. The length of a run and the height of riser shall not vary more than $3 / 8^{\prime \prime}$ in the entire run of the stair.
5. Stairs are required to be illuminated.
6. Open risers permitted if opening is less than 4".
7. A nosing not less than $3 / 4$ " but not more than $11 / 4 "$
shall be provided on stairways with solid risers, and less than 11".
Landing must be the same width as the stairs
Stairs shall not have a vertical rise larger than 151 " between floor levels or landings

Residential Stair and Handrail Guidelines

Open guardrails shall have members spaced so that a 4" sphere cannot pass through.
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## Handrail Notes:

1. Handrails shall be continuous on at least one side of stairs with 4 or more risers.
2. Top of handrails shall be placed not less than 34 " nor more than 38 " above stair nosinas.
3. The hand grip portion of handrails shall be not less than $11 / 4^{\prime \prime}$ nor more than $23 / 4$ " in cross section for non circular handrails.
4. Handrails shall be placed not less than $11 / 2^{\prime \prime}$ from any wall or other surface.
5. Handrails to be returned to wall, post or safety terminal (per 311.7.8.4 IRC).

## Acceptable Handrail Details

