

Rake Rail Installation Instructions

Read all Instructions before beginning installation

- 1. Install the Top and Bottom Newel
- 2. Remove PVC from top rail
- 3. Set assembled rake rail on steps against top and bottom newel.
- 4. Mark location of angle cut on top and bottom rail. Baluster at each end to be approximately same distance from the newel.
- 5. Cut top and bottom rails at proper angle to fit. Do not cut PVC top rail at this time.
- 6. Place rail assembly between top and bottom newel. Rail can touch tip of each tread or a suitable spacer can be used to raise rail to desired height.
- 7. Mark a line under bottom rail on upper and lower newel following inside contour of rail.
- 8. Remove assembly.
- 9. Place top of bottom rail brackets against lines scribed on newel (#7). Mark location of hole on center of newel. Drill 1/4" hole. (see diagram)
- 10. Screw 1 1/2" lag through bottom bracket into each newel.
- 11. Trim 3/8" off of the lower end of the aluminum top rail to allow for thickness of top rail angle bracket.
- 12. Apply top rail angle bracket by drilling 1/4" hole in top aluminum rail, use 1/4 X 1/2" bolt. (see diagram)

- 13. Place rake rail assembly over bottom brackets.
- 14. On lower end of top rail, mark location of lag for top rail angle bracket, swing top rail aside, drill 1/4" hole in the newel, screw 1 1/2" lag into hole. Leave approximately 1/2" of lag exposed.
- 15. Place top rail angle bracket over this lag. Do not tighten.
- 16. On upper end of top aluminum rail, drill 1/4" hole at approximately the same angle as diagram, through aluminum top rail and top newel. Screw 2" lag through aluminum top rail into top newel. Tighten bottom lag.
- 17. Trim top PVC rail cover to fit. Snap top cover onto top aluminum rail.
 - ** Verify local building code before installation.