



## Stairs Handrail Kit Installation Guide

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## Installing Multiple Rail Kits?

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## You made the right choice of railing!







Ground attachment:

**Cost-Effective** 

**Ouick to Install** 

Safe & Durable

**Easily Extendable** 

(Modular)

wood - 20+ minutes concrete - 60+ minutes 🋠 Tools Required

An electric drill/hammer

An impact drill is preferred (although not required) for installing the concrete bolts for **concrete steps**, lag screws for **wooden steps**, or other ground attachments.



# We've made it easy for you to install your post!



Scan this QR code for a detailed video explanation of how to install your new handrail correctly.

### **Means and Methods Disclaimer**

In no event shall CR Handrail have any responsibility, control over, charge of, responsibility, or liability for the means, methods, techniques, sequences, or procedures, or for safety precautions in connection with the installation of the railing, since these are solely CM/GC's, Subcontractor's, and Owner's responsibilities.

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CR Handrail's installation guide (whether it be in text, illustration, video or in support discussion) constitute for ideal installation condition. There is no ideal installation in real life. There is no substitution for consulting a local licensed contractor, architect, engineer, nor code inspector.

CR Handrail's installation hardware and tools are provided as building material and does NOT constitute as the specific nor final installation hardware. Once again, you and your installer must make the final on-site determination to the specific means and methods of installation appropriate for your installation.



Please make sure the hardware and tools we provided will be right for your install (READ means & methods disclaimer). IT IS POSSIBLE YOU NEED DIFFERENT HARDWARE & METHODS. Please take your time to do your installation. If you are unsure or uncomfortable with the installation, we highly recommend hiring a licensed and bonded contractor.

#### **Masonry Tools & Hardware Explained**



5/16" (8mm) Anchor Bolt



5/16" (8mm) Masonry Drill Bit



Diamond Core Drill Bit



\*SDS+ available upon request For hard stone \*available upon request **Note:** Expect the wedge anchor to fit tightly since the specification requires the anchor and drill bit to be the same size. To insert it more easily, you may try these options:

1. Use a slightly bigger drill bit, like a 3/8" one, to make the hole a little more extensive.

2. Gently wiggle the drill bit while in use to enlarge the top portion of the hole subtly.

However, do not enlarge the entire hole, which may compromise the anchor's grip.

#### WARNING

The strength of the anchor is dependent on the hole size & concrete integrity. A hole that's too big or concrete that's not up to standard grade can make the anchor wiggle or possibly come out. This is what can cause a rail to fail & fall over.

## Installing Your Handrail 1-2-3 Parts



#### Assemble your Handrail













Idenitify the Bottom Post and Top Post.

## The holes on the Bottom Posts are higher compared to the holes on the Top Post.





#### Make sure to correctly position the posts.

#### Top vs. Bottom Post









#### (b) Insert End Caps

## (a) Attach Larger Brackets using 4x Flat-end screws (2 screws per bracket)



Note: Both top rail brackets face same direction



#### The handrail will be unsecured until the end. We will loosely position the handrail

first to mark holes for post-installation.

#### Loosely Assembled

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#### **Common Mistake**

#### **Reversed Post** (Middle Rail too Short)



The top or middle rail is too short?

You have reversed the post.

To fix: 1.) flip the bracket's direction 2.) swap the post (see step 1.1)





#### **Post to Ground Attachment**

## Position and Mark the Holes



Please adhere to local & statewide building code. Recommended distance from the edge is based on standard-grade concrete (2500 psi).

If your concrete is 'highstrength' concrete, the edge distance can be reduced. (See ICC Chapter 19, Table 1908.2)



Post should be at least 1.5" (4cm) away from edges.

Ensure the post baseplate is parallel with edges.



#### Smaller drill bit (Please go straight to Step 2.5)



#### Larger drill bit (Continue to Step 2.3)





#### **Ensure Correct Depth**



#### Use the CR Handrail pencil to measure the depth of the hole with the flat end of the pencil.

Note: This is only for rough measurements. This is to endure the hole is deep enough.



#### Hole NOT deep enough Keep drilling deeper



Tip: holes must be deep enough or will have a serious issue.

#### **PERFECT DEPTH**



Hole TOO DEEP! Careful NOT to insert Anchor too deep









#### Once the holes are made and depth verified, hammer the anchors into the holes.



Tip: Hammer the anchor with 2 washers and 2 nuts (with nut at the very tip) to prevent over insertion.

#### **Periodically Double Check!**

Put the post onto the anchor and physically verify the washer and nut has only enough thread to for the full height of the nut to screw on.







#### Use the nut socket & bit extension



#### What if Post Not Level?

## If ground is not level, use included extra washers to shim the baseplate







1. Position the posts (along with the complete railing) over predrill holes.

## 2. Install a washer & lag screw, one-by-one

3. When all are installed, doublecheck each of them again, to ensure all are tightened.

Note: If your drill has a hammer (or impact) function, enable it.





1. With all the nuts & washers removed, put the posts onto the anchor bolts (along with the rest of the rail). Install a nut and washer washer on each anchor bolt, oneby-one.

2. Hand-tighten a nut and washer over each anchor bolt.

3. Use the electric drill to tighten the nut (turn off hammer or impact driver function).



#### **Secure Your Handrail**

#### **Secure All Joints**





Using the included self-drilling screws, with some force applied (careful for your fingers as you hold the screws in place), drill the screws through the pre-made holes on all the brackets into the metal railing. This will lock the metal in place.





Tip: Pre-drilling hole is NOT necessary. The self-drilling screw will make a hole when force is applied. If you must, use a small drill bit to make a pilot hole.



#### **Attach Post Covers**

For a seamless look, simply attach the Post Covers to hide the base plate and hardware





# Installation is **Complete!**



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Chi is an architect and Richard is in real estate construction. With the combined knowledge and expertise, Chi & Richard believe they can provide the best commercial grade railing product that can be installed by anyone. They want to take the time to say thank you. If you got the time, Chi, Richard & the *CR Fence & Rail* team love to see a photo or video of your installation!

- Chi & Richard from CR Handrail

Your picture and video post helps those who are worried about the installation.



Susanna P.

#### ★★★★★ I was worried

Reviewed in Canada on October 12, 2022 Size: 4 Steps | Verified Purchase

I was a little worried that the handrail would be difficult to install. It comes with everything you could possibly need to install the railing. Hats off to the people who put the kit together.

2 people found this useful

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