Simplified Guardrail and Handrail Instructions

The Dynarail® Modular Guardrail and Handrail System Installation Instructions have been designed to combine the best in fiberglass reinforced plastic (FRP) railing with simplicity of installation. Fibergrate has made every attempt to provide clear and thorough instructions for installing these products. If you have any further questions, or need additional information, do not hesitate to contact Fibergrate at (800) 527-4043.

By following these simple instructions, you should find installation of your railing system quick and easy.

Tools Required

- **Drill**
- **Bits**
  - 1/8" (3.2mm) (for rivets)
  - 3/16" (4.8mm) for kickplate and handrail screws
  - 7/16" (11mm), 9/16" (14mm) & 11/16" (17mm) for connection bolts
- **Wrenches**
  - 7/16" (11 mm) (2 each)
  - 9/16" (14mm) (2 each)
- **Hack Saw**
- **8m Tape Measure**
- **Level**
- **Bonding (Epoxy) Kit(s)** - one for every 15 posts
- **Rivet Gun**
- **Sealing Kit**
- **Stir Sticks**
- **Sandpaper (80 grit)**

**NOTE:** Cuts and drilled holes must be sealed to maintain corrosion protection.

**QUICK TIPS FOR INSTALLING GUARDRAIL**

1. Mark location of top of rail onto adjacent mounting surface (recommended 364mm above walking surface or leading edge of stair tread).
2. Layout rail and attach rail splices and turns (see Section III - Splices & Connections for details).
3. Attach rail endcaps and/or end-connectors at the required locations (see Section III - Splices & Connections for details).
4. Attach brackets to the mounting surface while holding rail in place.
5. Attach brackets to rail with screws.

**IMPORTANT**

It is the installer’s responsibility to carefully follow fabrication and installation plans and instructions to ensure design performance characteristics of the Dynarail® guardrail system. The installer could be liable for claims that result from improper installation.
Section I - Post Installation Methods

For installation conditions not shown, contact Fibergrate.
All details are for posts spaced 1.8m max on centers to meet a F.O.S. of 2.0 under OSHA and IBC loads, unless noted otherwise.

### MAX PULLOUT FORCE ON EACH CONCRETE ANCHOR BOLT

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Section II - Rail Installation

INSTALLING HORIZONTAL RAILS TO POSTS
1. Cut rails and kickplate to length.
2. Use level to make posts vertical and tighten attachment bolts.
3. Dry fit toprail into tops of posts and adjust to proper location. Mark all post/rail intersections on sides of toprail.
4. Slide toprail to the side enough to sand off glossy surfaces of marked post/rail intersections using an 80 grit sandpaper.
5. Apply properly mixed epoxy to sanded surfaces of toprail and reinstall toprail into post tops.
6. Drill a hole using a 1/8” (3.2mm) bit through the center of the toprail/post intersections. Install 2 rivets (one on each side) at all posts to secure the toprail while epoxy cures.
7. Dry fit midrail into square holes of posts and slide into position. Mark all rail/post intersections on all sides of midrail.
8. Slide rail to side and sand off glossy surfaces of marked post/rail intersections using 80 grit sandpaper.
9. Apply epoxy to the sanded surfaces of midrail and return the rail to its proper location.
10. Drill a hole using a 1/8” (3.2mm) bit through the center of the midrail/post intersections. Install 2 rivets (one on each side) at all posts to secure the midrail while epoxy cures.
11. Align bottom of kickplate 6.4mm above walking surface.
12. Drill 3/16” (4.8mm) hole through center of kickplate at posts.
13. Install kickplate to posts using 1/4” (6.4mm) self-tapping screws. Be careful not to overtorque and strip the screws.

INSTALLING INCLINED RAILS TO POSTS
1. Cut rails to length.
2. Slide midrail through inclined posts.
3. Mount post(s) to stairway stringer with toprail 813mm high as measured from the work line (see Drawing K).
4. Use level to make posts vertical and tighten attachment bolts.
5. Slide toprail down into tops of posts. Rails should make contact with cutout in posts as shown in Drawing L.
6. With rails in proper location, mark area in contact with posts.
7. Slide rails to one side and sand contact areas with 80 grit sandpaper to remove glossy surface on toprail and midrail.
8. Apply epoxy to midrail and toprail.
9. Replace toprail onto post tops and slide midrail through posts to proper location.
10. Tighten post attachment bolts.
11. Drill hole using 1/8” (3.2mm) drillbit through posts at toprail and midrail.
12. Install 2 rivets (supplied) to each rail/post intersection, apply epoxy to tip of each rivet.
13. Mark area of posts covered by gap cover plates and sand.
14. Apply epoxy to sanded area of posts and inside of gap cover plates.
15. Drill one hole using 1/8” (3.2mm) drill bit through the gap cover plate and post, then insert and tighten the rivet to secure the cover plate to the post until the epoxy cures.

Check Codes for Specific Requirements
Section III - Splices and Connections

DRAWING M - RAIL SPLICE
- Apply Epoxy
- 1/8" (3.2mm) Rivets (2) typical

DRAWING N - ADJUSTABLE RETURN
- Adjust Rail Splice
- Apply Epoxy
- 1/8" Rivets (2) typical all connections

DRAWING O - HORIZONTAL RETURN
- Adjust Rail Splice
- Apply Epoxy
- 1/8" (3.2mm) Rivets (2) typical all connections

DRAWING P - INCLINED RETURN
- Adjust Rail Splice
- Apply Epoxy
- 1/8" (3.2mm) Rivets (2) typical all connections
- Gap Cover Plate 4 each post

DRAWING Q - 90° TURN
- Adjust Rail Splice
- Apply Epoxy
- 90° Splice Angle
- 1/4" (6.4mm) Bolt Assemblies

DRAWING R - ENDPOST
- Endcaps (2 each post) apply epoxy to contact surfaces

DRAWING S - KICKPLATE SPLICE
- Kickplate
- 90° Splice Angle
- 1/4" (6.4mm) Bolt Assemblies (2 per splice typical)
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