

## **Top 8 Questions for Railing Design**

- √ #1 What Railing Type? Will your design be a: wall mount, sub rail, ramp rail, stair or balcony rail?
- √ #2 What material? Will you use: aluminum, stainless steel, bronze, brass, steel, glass or wood?
- √ #3 Railing Brackets: Will you need: standardized, saddle, or custom designed?
- √ #4 Railing Finish: Will you choose: painted steel, polished stainless steel, linear or radial, brass patina w/clear coat, anodized aluminum, steel epoxy, powder coat, stained wood, or a clear coat finish?
- √ #5 Design Structure: Will you use: pipe, solid square or round, rectangular or square tubing, flat bar, custom water jet or laser cut posts from stock, mechanically connected or welded connections?
- √ #6 Determine Infill Panel Type: What will you select from: woven wire mesh, perforated, vertical picket, horizontal picket, custom spindles, glass (etched or patterned panels), cable line, multi-line using round or square spindles, custom designed panels, wrought iron spindles, use of LED lighting, translucent panels, or solid plate panels?
- √ #7 Mounting Methods: Will you use: welded or bolted base plates, concrete core drilled, welded or bolted to top or side of stringer, lagged to wood structures, glass base aluminum or steel fabricated? Each base can have a powder coat, painted, or cladded finish (such as stainless steel, aluminum, or brass) with finish to specification.
- ✓ #8 Important Consideration: Before design, have you researched the building codes and loading requirements that pertain to the project?

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