

# CROSS SECTION DRAWINGS FOR COMPONENT SYSTEM



### **DURARAIL POWDER COATING**

We believe that Durarail provides the best powder produced in the industry (TGIC powder by DuraCoat and Tiger Drylac) today, but like any other industrial finish, it will naturally age over the years. In warmer climates such as California, Florida, Hawaii, and Puerto Rico for example, the aging process will be accelerated by the increased UV, salt content and humidity in the air. We suggest a regular inspection program of all Durarail systems.

- Inspect fasteners to ensure they are properly secured to the substrate. Remove any surface discoloration from the screw and coat with a "standard car wax/polish" to prevent any further surface discoloration or patina build up. Patina is a normal surface discoloration that occurs when two different metals make contact, i.e. aluminum and stainless steel (the fasteners' integrity is not affected by this surface discoloration).
- 2. Durarail should be cleaned at least twice a year with a mild, non-abrasive soap and water, using a soft sponge. In areas where salts and pollutants are more prevalent (beach front or industrial areas) then the railings should be cleaned more frequently. Always rinse with fresh water to remove any residual soap. To bring back the shine or to remove the 'chalky' residue, the railings can be cleaned then polished using an automotive polish.
- 3. Regularly inspect any caulking as caulking compounds will break down over the years. It maybe necessary to remove old sealant and re-caulk where necessary.

This information can be found on the *Durarail Care and Cleaning Guide* which can be found on the back of the Durarail Warranty. It is necessary it be followed to ensure lasting beauty of the railing system.

For the Durarail Warranty to be valid, the most current standards and specifications set out by the manufacturer must be adhered to.

DURARAIL™ RESIDE	NTIAL WARRANTY	*			
The Manufacturer warrants that under conditions of normal us System" will be free from defects in the structure and welds for 20 peel, flake or blister for 10 years.	e its "Durarail <sup>1</sup> " <u>Residential</u> Aluminum I years and the "Durarail" powder coated	Railing and Fencing finish, will not crack,			
DURARAIL <sup>™</sup> TERMS, CONDI	TIONS AND LIMITATIONS	88	<b>DURARAIL</b> Aluminum Railing Systems is the	inest railing system available on the market today.	
<ol> <li>The Manufacturer's sole liability and the owner's only remedy should be as follows:</li> </ol>			Precision weided to the highest standards co	Precision weided to the highest standards combined with Powder coating ensures a tough,	
a. The Manufacturer, at its discretion, may choose either to repair or replace the defective part(s) of the railing. Due to normal aging and weathering of material, it may not be possible to perfectly match the colors of the old and new materials and therefore The Manufacturer is not repossible for color differences that may occur.			mantenance nee innsi.		
<ol> <li>If a problem occurs within the first year from the date of purchase, the repair or replacement (at The Manufacture's discretion) will include materials, labor and freight costs.</li> </ol>		it (at The Manufacturer's	FASTENERS: The only regular maintenance other than cleaning is inspecting the fasteners. It is the responsibility of the owner to inspect these areas once a year. Over time fasteners may loosen and r		
<li>ii. If a problem occurs after year one (1) and within include materials and freight costs. If a problem oc repair or replacement will include the material only.</li>	ten (10) from the date of purchase, the re curs in the structure, after year ten (10) an FO8 our warehouse.	pair or replacement will d within the 20 the	to be tightened down as necessary. We recommend a light coat of floor or car wax be applied to the tops of any exposed fasteners every 3-6 months to help prevent oxidation (more often if you are locate)		
This warranty does not cover damage due to; normal use or v fading); corrosive atmospheric contaminants (e.g. chemical fum (or any other act of God); explosion, riots, civil disturbances, terrori	weathering (including, but not limited in, res or pollution); volcanic ash, lightning, ism, war; misuse, abuse, or negligence reig	the ing, scrattering or windstorms, tone does, ht or zmnsit.	in a high UV and salt spray climates). Surfac affect the integrity and strength of the faster	in a high UV and sait spray climates). Surface rust is a normal part of the ageing process. This does not affect the integrity and strength of the fastener.	
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The Manufacturer will not be responsible for labor and material of costs not included would be core drilling or disassembly or reass	cost other than the standard installation o sensibly of any part of the building	Bur produce Examples	(Using 'Vim', 'Soft Scrub' or a cut-polish) to b	ring back the sheen.	
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Residential, as referred to in this warranty is defined as single famil	ly detached housing and detached Duplex h	housing.	White Spirits, Alcohol or Iso	propanol.	
<ul> <li>It is the responsibility of the Owner to maintain the railing in accor and as posted on the website at www.durarail.com</li> </ul>	rdance with the current Care & Cleaning Ins	structions on the reverse	<ul> <li>Always remove any sap, tre</li> </ul>	e seeds, bugs, etc. as soon as possible, as	
The warranty is offered by both The Manufacturer and the Install. related problems. The undersigned Installation Company is responsi	ation Company. The Manufacturer is respo ible for the workmanship and will facilitate	nsible for any materials any necessary repairs.	sun exposure and heat will <ul> <li>Certain household cleaners,</li> </ul>	nake them more difficult to remove. abrasive agents, harsh chemicals, strong	
<ul> <li>The Installation Company guarantees that the work has been specifications set out by The Manufacturer and is responsible for an The Installation Company may offer an additional written warranty</li> </ul>	performed in accordance with the most ny workmanship related problems for a periv stating the scope of their responsibility.	current standards and od of years.	solvents, acids, steel wool a discoloration to the finish ar	nd industrial cleaners can cause damage and id are not recommended.	
Installation Company	Installation C	Company's telephone	<ul> <li>Always test a small, inconst</li> </ul>	icuous area before applying any product to Durarail	
Installation Company's Address		of Installation	dura	ail@duradek.com	
Building Owner's Name & Address			ww	w.durarail.com	
Building Address (if different than above) Signature – Installation Company Rep. Date		Rep. Date			

### IMPORTANT NOTICE: Dissimilar Metals & Corrosion – How to Avoid Problems

Over the past few years we have learned a substantial amount about dissimilar metals and how they react in certain climates. In harsher climatic regions, with high UV, salt or humidity levels, dissimilar metals will corrode at a much faster rate, especially when installed into concrete. For this reason, there are some important installation procedures that need to be followed. These will not only ensure that you are getting the best quality product, but the railing system will have a longer lifespan with less damage due to corrosion.

#### NICKS, SCRATCHES AND CUT ENDS

It is critical that the installer touches up all nicks or blemishes in the powder coating in order to prevent further damage. This is also recommended for any cuts, which expose the mill finish material (regardless if they are left exposed or not). Exposed areas will oxidize at a faster rate and corrosion could work itself between the powder coating and the substrate. We recommend using tough-up paint to seal these areas from further damage.

#### **BASE PLATE FASTENERS**

To prevent the fasteners from damaging the powder coated finish in the screw chases, each base plate hole must contain a plastic shoulder washer. It is also necessary to apply a small amount of NP1 urethane sealant (or equivalent) to all screw chases, pre-drilled holes, as well as to all fastener threads within the system prior to installing. This is to create an additional barrier between the different metals the reducing the process of electrolyses. Please note: do not apply too much NP1 sealant into the pre-drilled holes as it will ooze out when the posts are secured in place - any excess sealant should be removed once the fasteners are in place.

#### SYSTEM FASTENERS

It is also important to recognize that all other fasteners within the railing system are subjected to the same potential of corrosion damage, as they are in contact with a dissimilar metal. Although it is less likely that the climatic elements will hasten that damage, it is recommended that those fasteners also be coated with NP1 urethane sealant.

#### **NEOPRENE GASKET**

(for concrete installations only) Concrete can be highly acidic in nature and as result may cause early corrosion in the base plate if the powder coating is scratched during installation. To create a barrier between the base plate and the concrete substrate, a Neoprene gasket must be placed under the base plate to avoid any potential damage.

#### **Base Plate Installation Method**



#### TOOLS AND SUPPLIES NEEDED FOR DURARAIL

Generator - 5000 watt Extension ladder 10" miter saw w/60+ tooth carbide blade Heavy duty hammer drill Heavy duty extension cords Three way adapter Accurate 2' to 4' level Accurate torpedo level Cordless 14v drill/screw gun (preferably 2) Drill bits (1/8", 5/32", 3/16", 1/4") Drivers (#2 square drive @ 3") (#3 square drive @ 6") (1/4 nut driver & #2 Phillips) White rubber hammer Rubber handle hammer Caulk gun Oak block String line

2 quick grip clamps Utility knife Aviation snips Channel lock pliers 3⁄4" chisel Safety Glasses Ear Protection Tape measure Spray bottle with soapy water Pencil Hand held calculator Masking tape Razor to remove labels from glass Glass cleaning supplies Soft scrub w/ soft nylon scrubby Heavy duty lawn and leaf bags Paper towels and/or rags Big "O" citrus cleaner

#### SCREWS FOR ASSEMBLING DURARAIL

Posts to Concrete	4 – See Concrete Fasteners
Posts to Wood	4 - #14 x 3"
Receiver Channel to Post	2 - #10 x 1 ½" (do not over-tighten)
Receiver Clip to Post	2 - #10 x 1 ½" (do not over-tighten)
Receiver Channel to Sleeve	2 - #10 x ¾"
Receiver Channel to Wall Mount	2 - #10 x ¾"
Sleeve to Post	
Bottom Rail to Wall Mount	1 - #10 x ¾"
Top Wall Mount to Wood	3 - #12 x 1 ½"
Top Wall Mount to Brick	3 - #12 x 1 ½" w/ Mungo Plugs
Bottom Wall Mount to Wood	2 - #12 x 1 ½"
Bottom Wall Mount to Brick	2 - #12 x 1 ½" w/ Mungo Plugs
Support Leg to Wood	1 - #12 x 1 ½"
Support Leg to Concrete	1 - #12 x 1 ½" w/ Mungo Plug

**The Problem:** #10 x 1  $\frac{1}{2}$ " (#8 head) screw heads break off while trying to install the receiver channel to the post

**The Solution:** Please note that you are attaching screws to aluminum not steel. Adjust your cordless drill torque setting to medium. The  $\#10 \times 1 \frac{1}{2}$ " screw is designed to cut into the screw ports with limited effort. Pre-drilling is required to install the  $\#10 \times 1 \frac{1}{2}$ " screws into both the post screw chases and for the rail clips.

When fastening the receiver channel to the post, pre-drill the receiver channel with a 3/16" drill bit. Be sure to move the receiver channel to either side of the post to ensure you do not drill out the screw port (the hole you are about to drill is oversized). This will allow the screw to enter the port with no resistance. In fact, you are only fastening into the port, not the receiver channel. This will prevent the screw heads from breaking off.

## **CONCRETE FASTENERS**

### **CONSIDERATIONS IN CHOOSING A CONCRETE FASTENER:**

What is the material you are fastening into? Is it a hollow core base such as drywall, concrete block or plaster and lath? Or is it solid core like stone, brick or concrete. (Hint: site inspect all surfaces you are fastening into as they are not always made of the same material)

Are there post tension cables present in the concrete? Post tension cables are tendons composed of steel wires embedded in concrete and then tensioned after the concrete is hardened. In the event that PT cables are present, it is important to obtain the location of the cables and avoid fastening into the concrete at these locations as these cables are under tremendous pressure and can be extremely dangerous and expensive to fix if hit.

What is the PSI of the concrete you are fastening into? The greater the PSI the greater the tension and shear strength of the fasteners. Fasteners are typically tested in 2000 PSI and 4000 PSI concrete.

What is the shear strength of the fastener? Shear strength is the capacity the fastener is able to withstand before it breaks off.

What is the tension of the fastener? Tension strength is the capacity the fastener is able to withstand before it pulls out.

**Is the installation subject to the elements?** Depending on the location of the install, you may decide to upgrade your fastener to a more corrosion resistant material. Industry standard is a 304 stainless steel. Many fasteners can be upgraded to a more corrosion resistant 316 stainless steel. Keep in mind 316 stainless steel is a softer metal therefore will have different strength factors. **How fare away from the edge of the deck is your post being set?** The closer to the edge of the concrete the fastener is installed the less effective it becomes. Each fastener varies on set back. Typically a 3" setback from the edge of the deck to the edge of the base plate will provide maximum tension and shear strength from the fastener.

\*\*Information provided by Durarail is to be used as a guideline only. We encourage you to contact your supplier for technical data on the exact screw you decide to use. For more information on fastening into concrete, check out www.concretenetwork.com.\*\*

Suggested Concrete Fasteners					
Name	Mungo Nylon Plug - #8 x 1 ½"	Sup-R-Sleeve (Hex Head) – 5/16"	Crete-Flex (Hex Washer Head) – 5/16"		
		x 2 ½"	x 2 ¼"		
Material	Durable cadmium free nylon	304 Stainless Steel	410 Stainless Steel w/ Stalgard coating		
			(800 hours of salt spray resistance)		
Ultimate	Solid Concrete (25 MPa) –	Concrete (2000 PSI) – 1,840 lbs.	Concrete Block (2070 PSI) – 1,216 lbs.		
Tension	1,120 lbs.	Concrete (3500 PSI) – 1,900 lbs.	Concrete Beam (3350 PSI) – 2,505 lbs.		
Loads	Solid Brick – 1,010 lbs.	Concrete (5000 PSI) – 2,040 lbs.			
Ultimate		Concrete (2000 PSI) – 1,376 lbs.	Concrete Block (2070 PSI) – 1,324 lbs.		
Shear		Concrete (3500 PSI) – 1,800 lbs.	Concrete Beam (3350 PSI) – 2,591 lbs.		
Loads		Concrete (5000 PSI) – 2,000 lbs.			







\*\*These values are offered as a guide only. Performance and technical data sheets from the supplier of the above suggested fasteners are available upon request.\*\*

# DURARAIL 1 5/8" POSTS FOR 36" SYSTEM

- 34 1/8" WHEN RECEIVER ATTACHES DIRECTLY TO TOP OF POST.
- 34" WHEN RECEIVER IS INSERTED IN A SLEEVE THAT MOUNTS TO TOP POST.
- TO MEASURE POST: HOOK TAPE ON BOTTOM OF POST PLATE AND MEASURE TO TOP OF POST.

# DURARAIL 1 5/8" POSTS FOR 42" SYSTEM

- 40 1/8" WHEN RECEIVER ATTACHES DIRECTLY TO TOP OF POST.
- 40" WHEN RECEIVER IS INSERTED IN A SLEEVE THAT MOUNTS TO TOP POST.
- TO MEASURE POST: HOOK TAPE ON BOTTOM OF POST PLATE AND MEASURE TO TOP OF POST.

#### **Component Glass Assembly Instructions:**

Note: Ensure that the post base plates are set back from the edge of the deck far enough to ensure that the outside mounting screws will screw into the perimeter deck joist. Failure to screw into the deck joist will weaken the installation.

- Install all receiver clips (#10x1 ½" #8 head screws) and/or bottom rail sleeves (#12x1 ½" screws) as required on the posts prior to post installation.
- 2. Set corner or end posts and level. Place top rail sleeves loosely in these posts. Do not fasten sleeves at this time.
- 3. Measure between the inside edge of the two corner posts. Divide this measurement equally to give you the centerline of your posts. Cut the bottom rail to suit the post spacing. Clip the support legs into the bottom rail. You may screw the legs to the bottom rail for added strength.
- 4. Place the center posts on the deck where required. Starting at one end place bottom rail in sleeves or on clips. Screw post base to the deck and level. Fasten bottom rail to the post as required. Enclosed sleeves do not require screws in the bottom rail. Continue installing all center posts.
- 5. Cut top receiver channel to length allowing for miter cuts at the corners.
- 6. Cut the top and bottom glass insert to length and install into the top and bottom channels between posts.
- 7. Place the top receiver channel in the corner post sleeves and fasten the receiver to the center posts using only the front and back screw ports. Do not fasten the top receiver channel to the corner posts. Double check the posts for level prior to fastening to the receiver channel.
- 8. Measure your top rail and cut to length. Miter cut both ends of this rail.
- 9. Remove the corner sleeves and snap the top rail on to the receiver channel. Place the corner sleeves on the ends of the top rail and insert the corner sleeves into the posts.
- 10. Secure the corner sleeves to the post. Secure the top rail and receiver to the corner sleeves from the underside of the sleeve.
- 11. Secure the support legs to the deck.
- 12. Measure the spacing between the posts to derive the length of glass panels required. Allow 1 ½" spacing between the post and the edge of the glass when ordering the glass.
- 13. Apply a small amount of liquid dish soap to the top and bottom glass insert to allow for easier installation of the glass. Install the glass panels by sliding the panel up into the top rail, pulling it into place over the bottom rail and sliding the panel down, lodging it fully into the bottom rail. **Double check** the bottom rail to ensure that the glass has fully engaged into the plastic insert.
- 14. Clean the glass with regular window cleaner and the top rail should also be cleaned with Vim to remove minor scuff marks and debris.

#### **Component Picket Assembly Instructions:**

Note: Ensure that the post base plates are set back from the edge of the deck far enough to ensure that the outside mounting screws will screw into the perimeter deck joist. Failure to screw into the deck joist will weaken the installation.

- 1. Install all receiver clips (#10x1 ½" #8 head screws) and/or bottom rail sleeves (#12x1 ½" screws) as required on the posts prior to post installation.
- 2. Set corner or end posts and level. Place top rail sleeves loosely in these posts. Do not fasten sleeves at this time.
- 3. Measure between the inside edge of the two corner posts. Divide this measurement equally to give you the centerline of your posts. Cut the bottom rail to suit the post spacing. Clip the support legs into the bottom rail. You may screw the legs to the bottom rail for added strength.
- 4. Place the center posts on the deck where required. Starting at one end place bottom rail in sleeves or on clips. Screw post base to the deck and level. Fasten bottom rail to the post as required. Enclosed sleeves do not require screws in the bottom rail. Continue installing all center posts.
- 5. Cut top receiver channel to length allowing for miter cuts at the corners.
- 6. Place the top receiver channel in the corner post sleeves and fasten the receiver to the center posts using only the front and back screw ports. Do not fasten the top receiver channel to the corner posts. Double check the posts for level prior to fastening to the receiver channel.
- 7. Measure your top rail and cut to length. Miter cut both ends of this rail.
- 8. Remove the corner sleeves and snap the top rail on to the receiver channel. Place the corner sleeves on the ends of the top rail and insert the corner sleeves into the posts.
- 9. Secure the corner sleeves to the post. Secure the top rail and receiver to the corner sleeves from the underside of the sleeve.
- 10. Secure the support legs to the deck.
- 11. Cut the top and bottom picket insert to length and install into the top and bottom channels between posts.
- 12. Install the first picket starting at either end by sliding the picket into the bottom channel on an angle that will allow you to clear the underside of the top rail. Holding the bottom of the picket firm vertically straighten the picket so it is level and secure in the top and bottom rails. Leave a space approximately 3 ½" between the post and the first picket. Next install a spacer after the first picket. Continue this operation for the balance of the pickets.
- 13. When you have all the pickets in place, gently tap the pickets and spacers together until they are snug and level. Equalize the space between the two posts at either end of the assembled pickets and cut your end spacers to suit the remaining open gap in the top and bottom rails. As an alternative to the above pickets may be installed simultaneously, followed by all the spacers simultaneously.
- 14. Clean your installation with vim to remove handprints and minor scuffs incurred during installation.