



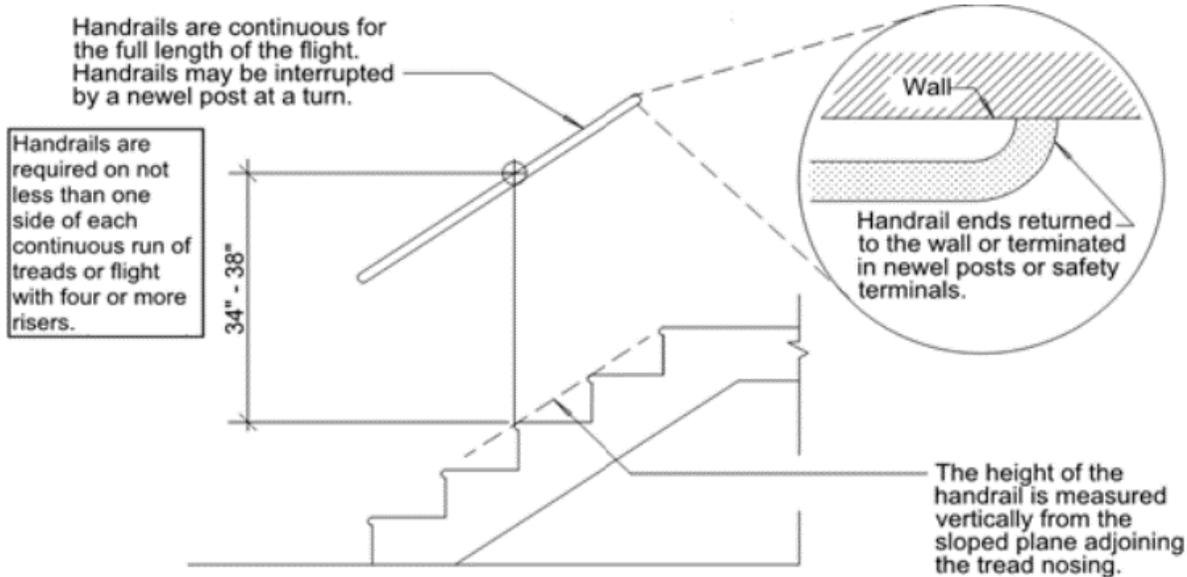
Residential Handrails

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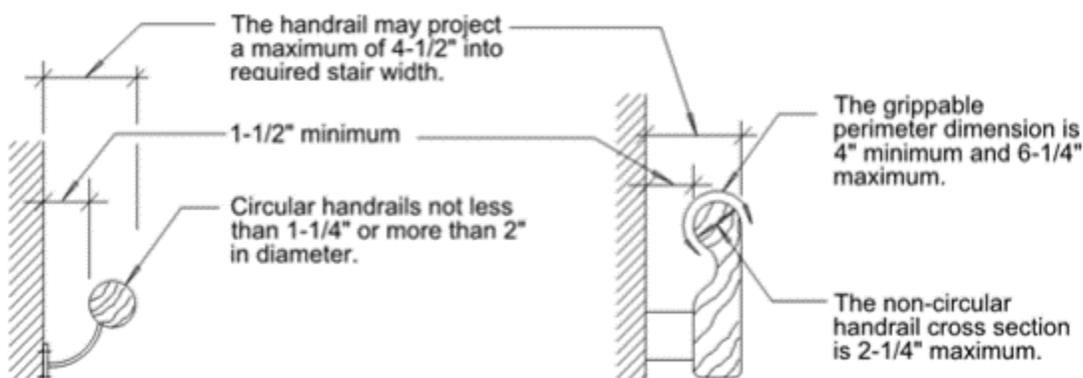
General Requirement

The 2015 International Residential Code (with Washington State Amendments) requires handrails on at least one side of each continuous run of treads or flight with four or more risers. This handout is intended to provide a general understanding of the code requirements and does not address the subject in great detail. For more information, see IRC section R311.

Typical Handrail Elevation

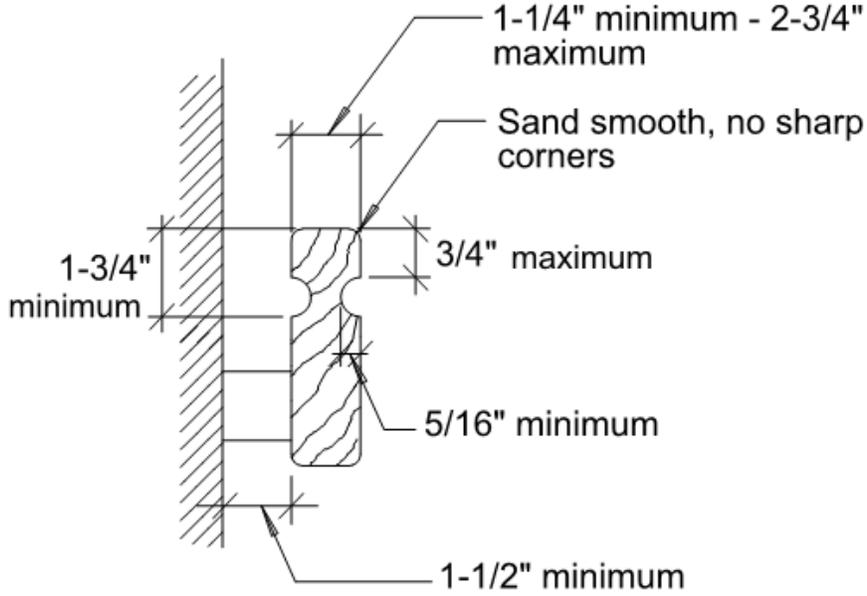


Type I Handrails



Type II Handrails

Handrails with a perimeter greater than 6-1/4"



Unacceptable Handrails

The following examples do not meet minimum code requirements:

