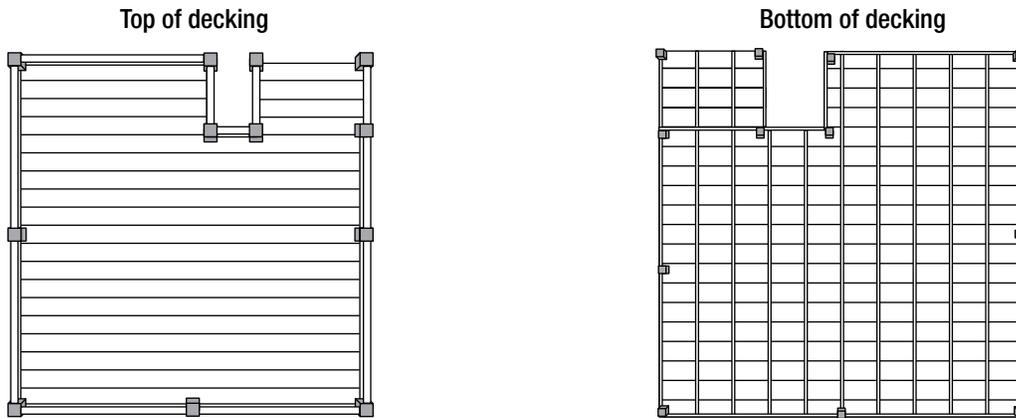


Post Sleeve Installation

BEFORE YOU INSTALL POST SLEEVES

Rail posts may be installed by using the structural posts that support the joists, or by using a surface mount bracket. The Fiberon Surface Mount Bracket requires that the thickness of the decking and reinforcement boards underneath the decking be a minimum of 127.0 mm (two treated and structurally sound 50.8 mm x 203.2 mm and one 25.4 mm x 203.2 mm of timber under the 25.4 mm decking board), unless otherwise specified by local building regulations. To optimise post placement, additional joists, blocking or alternative locations may be required. Determine post placement and install reinforcement boards prior to installing the decking surface. Use a scaled drawing of your project or the Fiberon Deck Designer Tool to determine where posts will be installed. For proper aesthetics, divide the perimeter dimensions evenly so that posts are spaced equally. Composite guard-rail systems should only be secured to regulation compliant posts.



INSTALLING POST SLEEVES ON STRUCTURAL POSTS

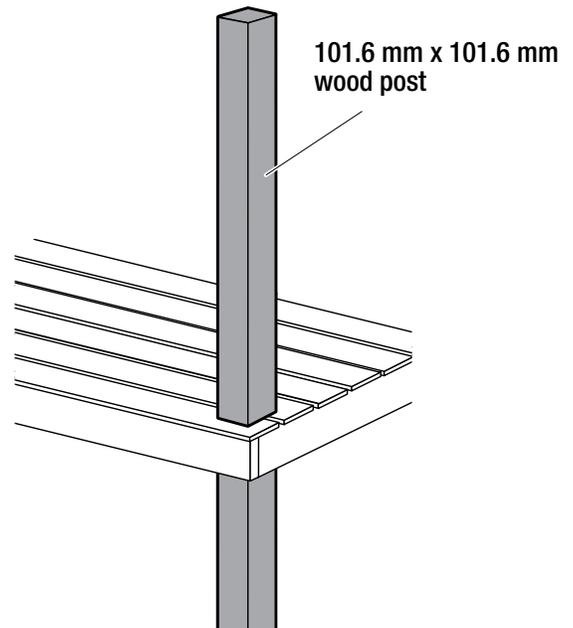
Guard-rails can be secured to structural 101.6 mm x 101.6 mm posts, or to 101.6 mm x 101.6 mm posts secured to the support framing in a regulation-approved manner. Always check to ensure posts are plumb and true. Check maximum and minimum distance requirements for the railing that is being installed to ensure a snug fit and proper baluster spacing.

1 Preparing for installation

- Ensure 101.6 mm x 101.6 mm wooden posts are secured in a regulation-compliant manner, and, where possible, spaced equally for the best-looking application.



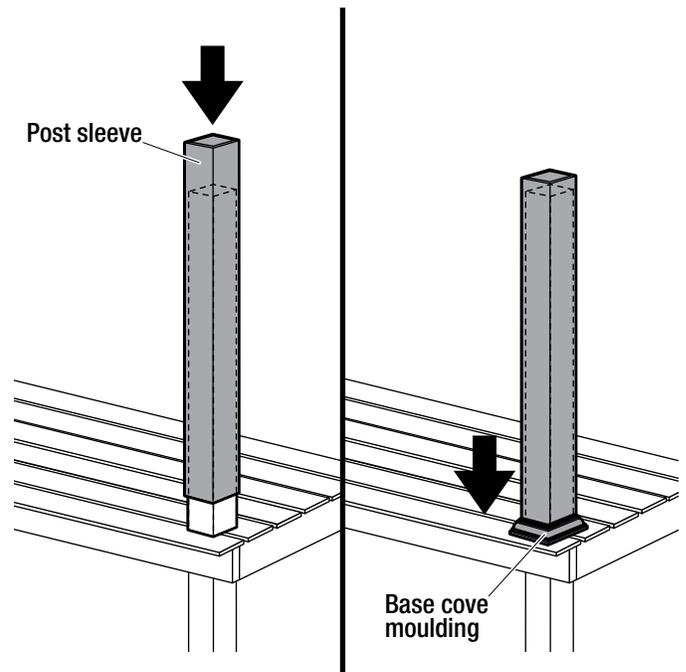
NOTE: Wooden 101.6 mm x 101.6 mm posts will vary. Shims may be required to be inserted between the 101.6 mm x 101.6 mm post and the post sleeve to prevent the post sleeve from cracking during guard-rail installation.



Post Sleeve Installation (continued)

2 Installing the post sleeves

- After the decking has been installed, slide the post sleeve and moulding over the wooden post.





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