

This handout is intended only as a guide and is based in part on the 2015 Minnesota Residential Code, Minnetrista City ordinances, and good building practice. While every attempt has been made to insure the correctness of this handout, no guarantees are made to its accuracy or completeness. Responsibility for compliance with applicable codes and ordinances falls on the owner or permit applicant. For specific questions regarding code requirements, refer to the applicable codes or contact your local Building Department.

The following are examples of information that should be included on plans submitted for building permits for residential decks. They are *examples* only and should not be construed as being code compliant for every application. It is the responsibility of the homeowner or person preparing the plans to show in detail how they will build their deck. Some designs may require more detail than others.

Your deck plans should replicate *exactly* how you will build your deck. The more detailed your plans, the more likely you avoid corrections in the field.

When you receive your permit, you will also be given one set of plans stamped "Reviewed for Code Compliance". Once your plans are approved, you should not change your design without prior approval by the Minnetrista Building Department. You should read through the approved plans to determine if the plan reviewer noted any corrections to your plan. If you have any questions regarding any of the corrections, you should contact the building department before proceeding.

Plans created at home centers are seldom acceptable for plan review. These computer designs do not allow homeowners to duplicate conditions at their home. Applications submitted with these types of plans will be returned to the applicant.

The City of Minnetrista has a detailed handout on deck construction and it is recommended that you obtain a copy of the handout for further direction.

Page 1 Rev. 05/04/2017

CHECKLIST FOR DECK PLANS

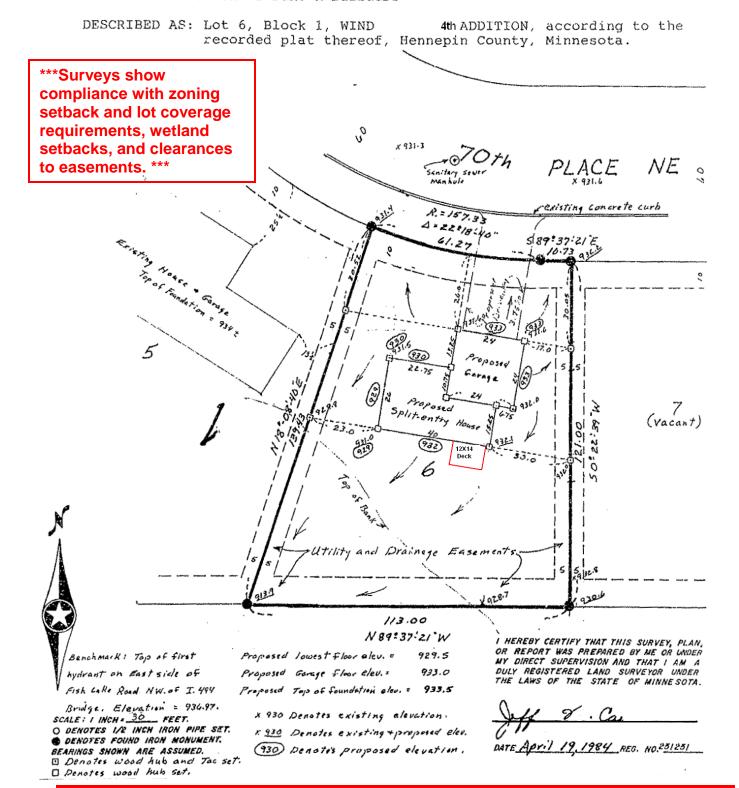
Site Plan/Survey	Section(s)
 ☐ Street address and/or legal description shown ☐ North arrow shown ☐ Plan drawn to useable scale and scale used 	Section view(s) from bottom of footing to top of guard to show railing details; floor framing orientation; joist/beam orientation and bearing; column locations;
shown Size of existing buildings shown All lot dimensions and pin locations shown	connections; footing design, size, and depth; and height of deck floor above grade.
Location and size of proposed deck shownDistance to all lot lines from existing buildings and proposed deck	Details ☐ Flashing at the ledger ☐ Joist bearing/hangers ☐ Ledger connection (Caution for dwelling floor
Construction Plans	cantilevers)
Plans drawn to useable scale	Fasteners/connectors consistent with lumber and
Scale indicated on plan	decking used
☐ Plan neat and legible	Column/beam connection
	Column/footing connection
Elevation (This could be illustrated on section drawings)	Type of decking and orientation (Caution for 5/4 or composite decking for spans more than 16" o.c. or
☐ Show side and front view of deck in relation to	installed diagonally
grade and dwelling	Research report required for decking other than wood
☐ Include railing height and design	☐ Stair stringer connection ☐ Lateral bracing
Framing Plan	
☐ Floor joist size and spacing including species	Stairs
and grade	☐ Width of stairs
Orientation of floor joists	Rise/run w/tolerance shown
☐ Cantilever of joists	Number and size of stringers
Bearing points for all joists	Open riser design
Size and location of all beams including	Type and size of tread consistent with stringer spacing
species and grade	(Caution for decking use) Connection method for treads to stringers
Cantilever of beams	Handrails shown for stairs with 4 or more risers
Size and location of ledger board including	Handrail height shown on plan
species and grade	Handrail profile detailed
Size and location of all columns including	Landing at bottom of stair
species and grade Track all floor loads thru beams to columns to	Show any doors or windows adjacent stairs and
footings	landings.
Location of stairs	•
Changes in elevation of deck floors or landings	Guards
Unusual framing issues such as cantilevers of	☐ Guard height and opening dimensions
the dwelling floor	Guard design/materials
3 11	Guard attachment
Ledger Details	
Framing method and orientation of existing	
dwelling floor framing.	Date:
☐ Method of meeting lateral load connection	
requirements	Lab. Address.
☐ Spacing, location, and type of bolts or lags	Job Address:
used to attach ledger.	
Footings (This information may be	
included on section or framing plans)	
Footing depth and design	
☐ Footing width at base consistent with load for	

each footing location.

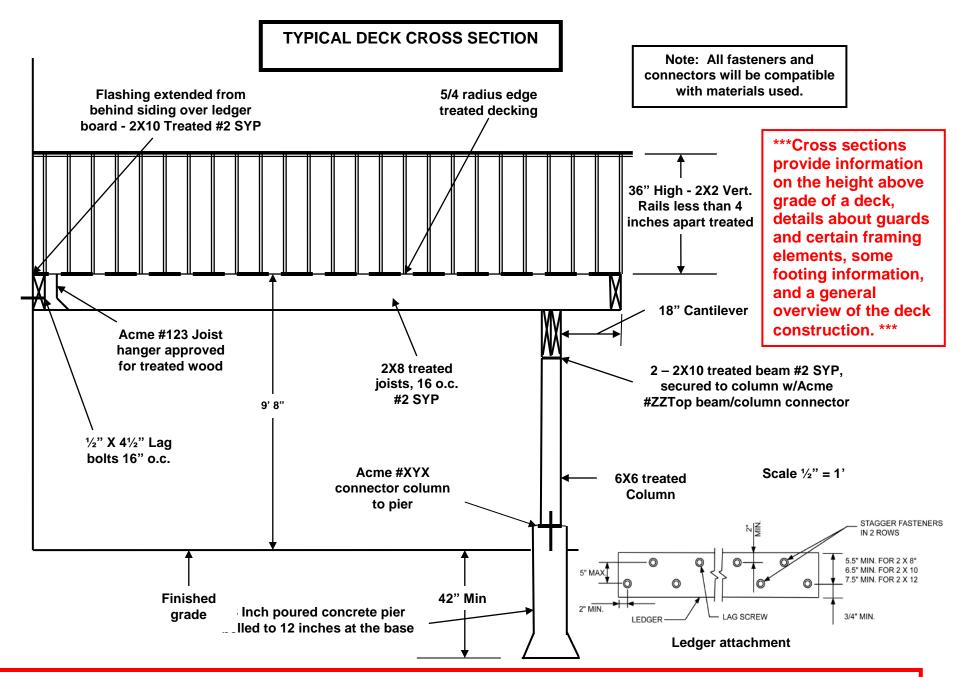
Page 2 Rev. 05/04/2017

ASSOCIATES SURVEYORS, INC.

CERTIFICATE OF SURVEY FOR: K Builders



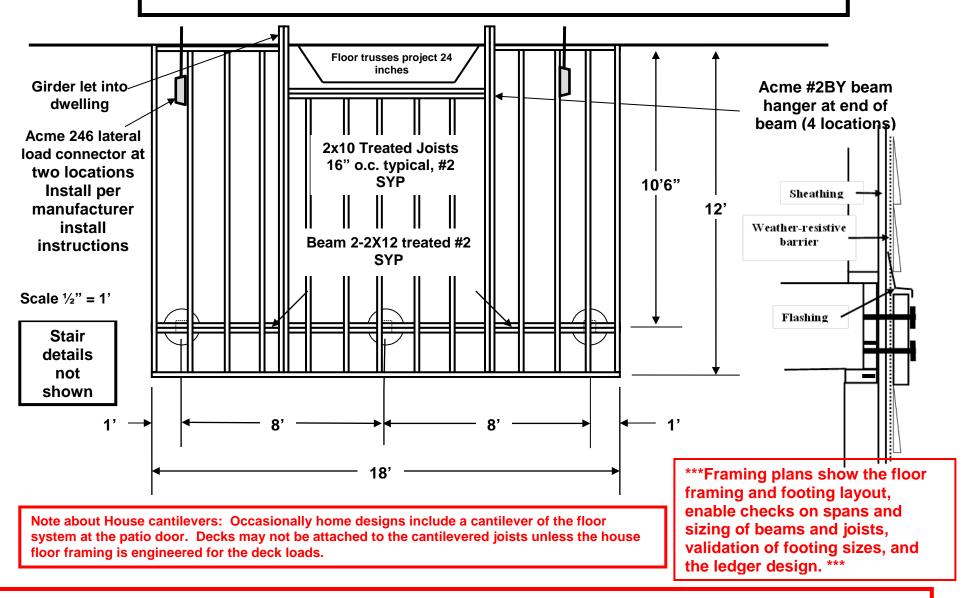
WARNING: THIS IS AN ILLUSTRATION ONLY. IT IS INTENDED TO SHOW SOME OF THE INFORMATION THAT SHOULD BE INCLUDED ON YOUR DECK PLANS. IT IS <u>NOT</u> INTENDED TO SHOW COMPLIANCE WITH ANY CODES THAT MAY APPLY. CHANGES IN THE HEIGHT AND SIZE OF A DECK WILL CAUSE VARIATIONS IN CODE REQUIREMENTS.



WARNING: THIS IS AN ILLUSTRATION ONLY. IT IS INTENDED TO SHOW SOME OF THE INFORMATION THAT SHOULD BE INCLUDED ON YOUR DECK PLANS. IT IS <u>NOT</u> INTENDED TO SHOW COMPLIANCE WITH ANY CODES THAT MAY APPLY. CHANGES IN THE HEIGHT AND SIZE OF A DECK WILL CAUSE VARIATIONS IN CODE REQUIREMENTS.

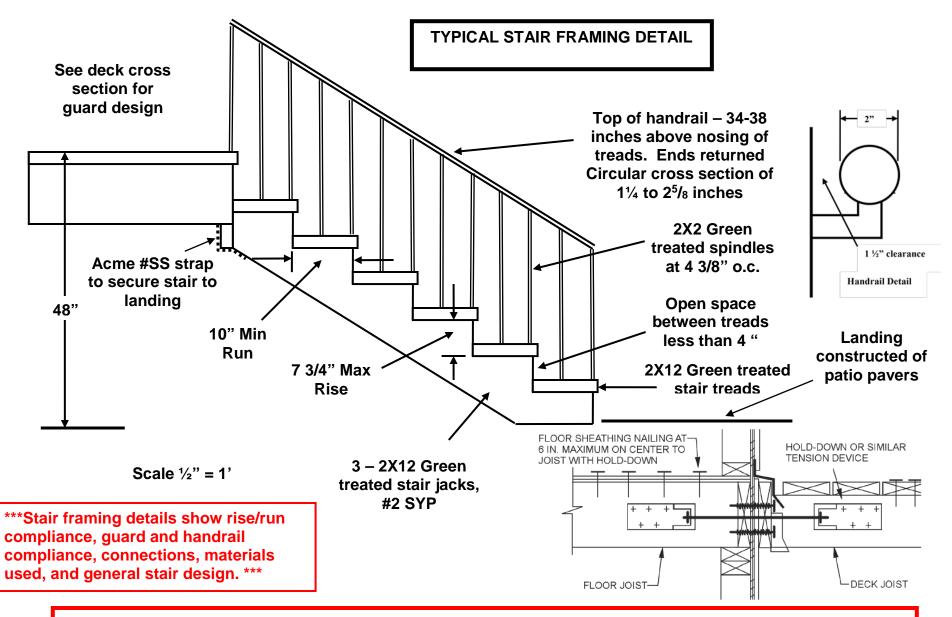
Page 4 Rev. 05/04/2017

TYPICAL DECK FLOOR FRAMING PLAN, BEAM LOCATION, AND FOOTING LAYOUT



WARNING: THIS IS AN ILLUSTRATION ONLY. IT IS INTENDED TO SHOW SOME OF THE INFORMATION THAT SHOULD BE INCLUDED ON YOUR DECK PLANS. IT IS <u>NOT</u> INTENDED TO SHOW COMPLIANCE WITH ANY CODES THAT MAY APPLY. CHANGES IN THE HEIGHT AND SIZE OF A DECK WILL CAUSE VARIATIONS IN CODE REQUIREMENTS.

Page 5 Rev. 05/04/2017



WARNING: THIS IS AN ILLUSTRATION ONLY. IT IS INTENDED TO SHOW SOME OF THE INFORMATION THAT SHOULD BE INCLUDED ON YOUR DECK PLANS. IT IS <u>NOT</u> INTENDED TO SHOW COMPLIANCE WITH ANY CODES THAT MAY APPLY. CHANGES IN THE HEIGHT AND SIZE OF A DECK WILL CAUSE VARIATIONS IN CODE REQUIREMENTS.

Page 6 Rev. 05/04/2017