

Stairway Safety

Stairway Design Features

Minimize the danger of slipping, tripping or falling on steps by doing the following:

- Provide sturdy handrail and guardrail systems. Protect the open sides of steps with a handrail and guardrail system.
- Maintain non-slip surfaces on treading and nosing. Apply friction strips or commercial coatings with a high friction value to step surfaces.
- Provide adequate illumination of the stairway area.
- Mark all changes in elevation. Use contrasting colors to highlight the top and bottom stairs and stair edges.
- Maintain steps in good condition. Repair or replace loose or worn treads or coverings.

