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.