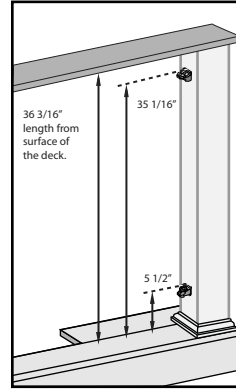
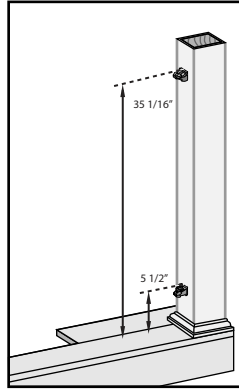


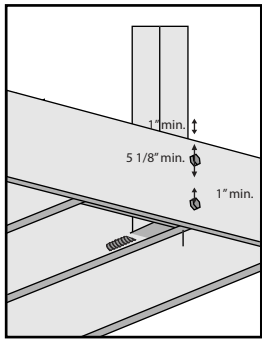
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Post Sleeve will need to be cut.

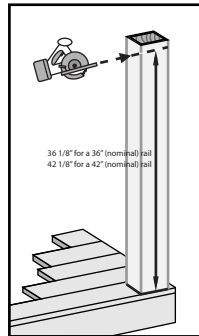
**1 Attaching the Posts, Skirts, and Post Sleeves**



**Post Installation**

Attach the Post to the joist using 1/2" carriage bolts. The bolts must be 1" from the top and bottom of the joist, and a minimum of 5 1/8" between. Minimum joist size is 2x8.

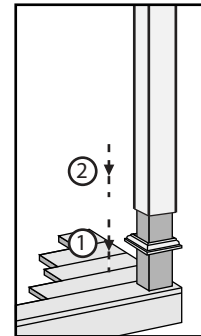
Note: blocking should be added for extra strength.



**Traditional Design ONLY  
First Step**

From the deck surface, cut Post and Sleeve to:

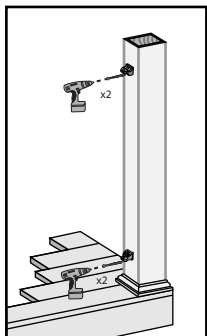
- 36 3/16" for 36" nominal height
- 42 3/16" for 42" nominal height



**Post Skirt and Sleeve**

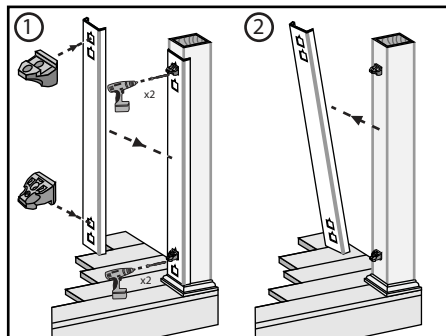
1. Slide a Post Skirt over Post.
2. Slide a Post Sleeve over Post.

**2 Attaching the Railing Support Brackets (RSB's)**



**Without TrexExpress™ Tool:**

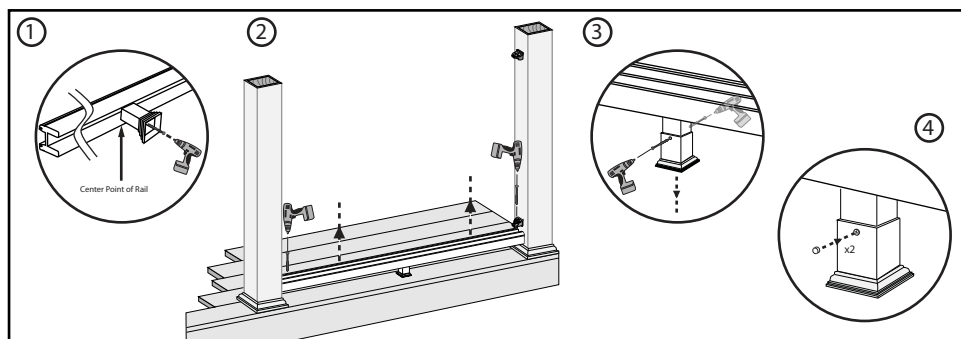
1. Mark 5 1/2" and 35 1/16" from the deck surface.
2. Attach RSB's in center of Post with top of the RSB aligned with mark (Bottom RSB flat side down, top RSB flat side up) and attach with the supplied wood screws.



**With TrexExpress Tool:**

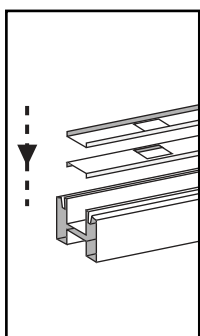
1. Place RSB's in TrexExpress tool as shown. Slide TrexExpress tool onto Post Skirt and hold in place with tape or rubber band. Attach RSB's using the supplied wood screws.
2. Remove TrexExpress tool.

**3 Attaching the Bottom Rail and the Foot Block**

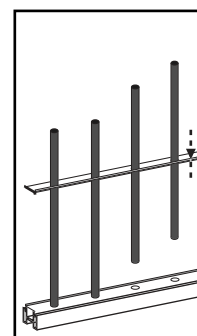
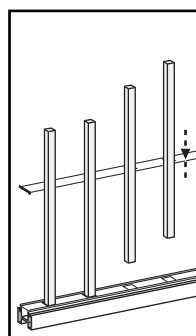


1. Center Foot Block in Bottom Rail channel and attach.
2. Lift Bottom Rail so RSB's are in channel and attach.
3. Telescope Foot Block down and then screw through opposite sides.
4. Place screw plugs on.

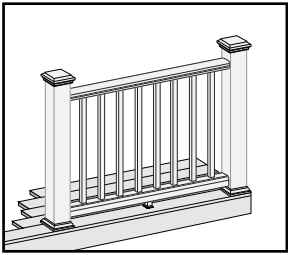
**4 Placing the Baluster Spacers and Balusters**



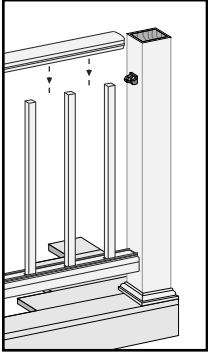
Snap Baluster Spacer into Bottom Rail. Place inverted Baluster Spacer on top of first Baluster Spacer.



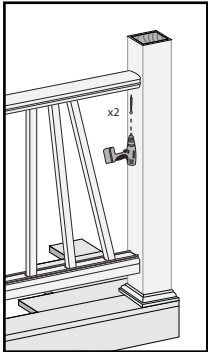
Place Balusters in Baluster Spacer.



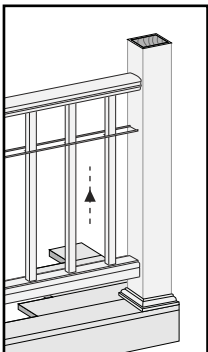
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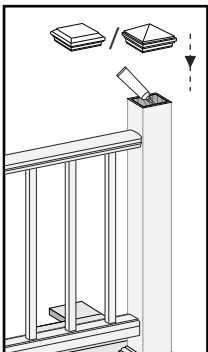
Place Top Rail on RSB's with Balusters in channel.



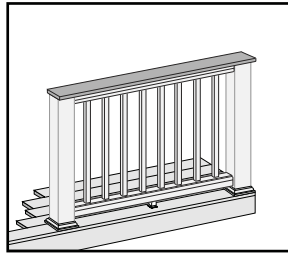
Attach Top Rail with 2 screws provided at each Post.



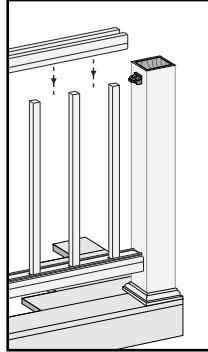
Slide Baluster Spacer up and snap into Top Rail.



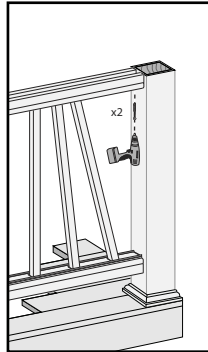
Secure Post Cap with construction grade adhesive.



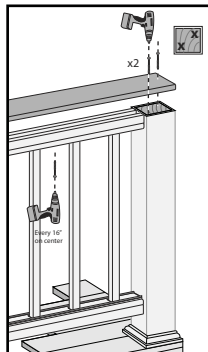
### TRADITIONAL



Place inverted Universal Rail onto RSB's with Balusters in channel.



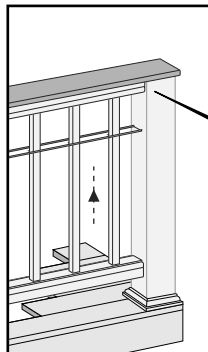
Attach Top Rail with 2 screws provided at each Post.



Place Board over Top Rail.

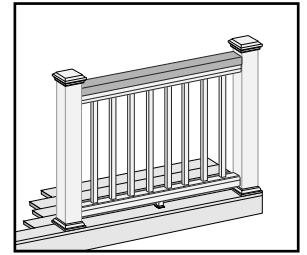
Attach with screws at a diagonal.

Attach Board to Top Rail with the provided 2" pan-head screws every 16" on center.

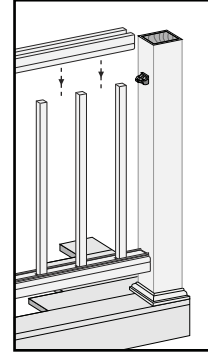


Slide Baluster Spacer up and snap into Top Rail.

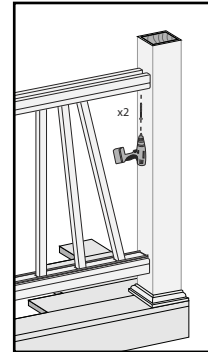
Cut tips off Rail Gasket prior to installation.



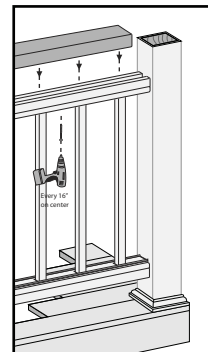
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Place inverted Universal Rail onto RSB's with Balusters in channel.

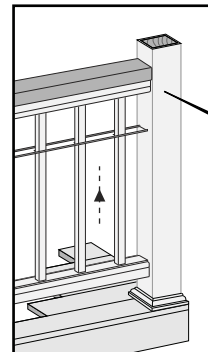


Attach Top Rail with 2 screws provided at each Post.



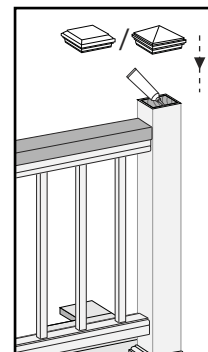
Place Board over Top Rail.

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Slide Baluster Spacer up and snap into Top Rail.

Cut tips off Rail Gasket prior to installation.



Secure Post Cap with construction grade adhesive.

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