

Porches and Decks

Trade Contractor _____ Job Name, Number _____

Pass/Fail/NA

- All work complies with locally adopted codes and International Residential Code.
- All work is performed in a safe manner according to OSHA standards.
- The jobsite is left clean.
- Posts and spindles or pickets comply with specifications. Look at the elevation plan and color selection sheets to confirm.
- All floor joists and bands are crowned up.
- Covered porch post(s) are set on solid footings.
- The porch post is plumb $\pm \frac{1}{4}$ " and nailed or fastened to the deck band joist and roof.
- There are two galvanized nails or screws per every floor board into every floor joist. Use galvanized ring shank nails.
- Pickets are not further apart than 5" o.c. so that a 4" object will not pass through.
- Rails are secured to the house.
- Corner posts and rails are secured so they are straight, firm, and strong.
- Check under floor for any nails that missed floor joists; pull nails and renail.
- Porch beams are level.

Decks

- Deck footing is below frost level.
- $\frac{3}{8}$ " carriage bolts are installed in band and spaced properly according to the size of the deck (maximum of 36" o.c.).
- 6" \times 6" post is used on decks over 8' above ground.
- Diagonal braces are used under decks over 6' off the ground.
- Ends of deck pickets are cut at a 45° angle.
- Pickets are nailed from the top down to avoid splitting the picket.
- To avoid splitting pickets, the bottom of the pickets are nailed up from the end 3" to 4" with two (2) 8d nails, and nails are not in line with wood grain.
- If screws are used to install pickets, the screws are predrilled if necessary to prevent splitting the pickets.

Stairs

- All stair risers are the same height $\pm \frac{1}{8}$ ". There is no more than a $\frac{3}{8}$ " variance from the highest riser to the lowest.
- Steps are not over 7 $\frac{3}{4}$ " high.
- Stair risers and treads are in place.

- Treads are level and at least 11" deep.
- Stairs have 3 stringers.
- Stairs and stringers are securely fastened at the top.

Screened porches

- All screen wire is pulled tight.
- Staples in wire screen are 4" apart.
- All lattice is nailed 6" o.c.
- Screen door is set with an even 1/8" margin.
- Screen door does not scrape floor.
- All trash is cleaned up and disposed of properly.

The Trade Contractor understands and accepts responsibility for items on this checklist and verifies that these items have been checked and are acceptable. In the event that these items are not completed to our satisfaction, the Trade Contractor agrees, upon notification, to correct the unsatisfactory items promptly, or gives the company the right to correct the item and back charge the Trade Contractor accordingly. I hereby verify that the above items have been checked and are acceptable. I understand that this checklist must be turned in with the invoice in order to receive payment on this job.

Signature _____ Date _____