



Please Note:

- Unless you are using Diamond piers, you must have an approved footing inspection prior to scheduling your deck final.
- If your deck is close to the ground, you must have an approved framing inspection prior to scheduling final. The inspector has to be able to see framing under the deck boards.
- Your deck must be completely finished including the grading of the yard around it to schedule a final.
- All previously noted corrections in the course of the project must be corrected and confirmed.
- A \$100 charge will be assessed for a scheduled inspection that is not ready (i.e. anything incomplete from this list is an automatic \$100 charge.)



Checklist for Deck Final

The following will be checked at your deck final to ensure code compliancy:		See SPS 321, Appendix B for complete code and table references
F R A M I N G	Are the joists properly secured to ledger board and main beam?	Joist hangers —toe-nailed, screwed or secured with hurricane clips
	Does the deck cantilever (extend past joists)?	Must not be greater than 24' beyond beam
	Is the joist span within the table limits?	See Table 4
	Is there joist blocking on 2x10's or 2 x 12's?	Blocking must be at a distance no more than 8 ft. from the house
	Are tension ties or diagonal bracing required?	See SECTION 11: LATERAL SUPPORT
	Are the proper fasteners used?	See SECTION 1:GENERAL REQUIREMENTS
S T E P S	What is the riser height?	Maximum 8 inches, anything 4" and over requires a back *include step to grade
	What is the tread depth?	Minimum tread 9"
	Are there any discrepancies between treads depths or riser heights?	No more than 3/8' between smallest and largest *including step to grade
	What is the width of stairs	Minimum 36"
	Is a center support required on the stairs ?	If run of steps exceeds 6 ft., a post with footings or one footing and T-brace required to support center of steps
	Is a landing required ?	Landing required if deck stairs are taller than 12 feet. See Section 14: STAIRS for area and footing requirements
	Is a Handrail Required	Required if more than 3 risers
	A. Height of handrail	Must be 30"-38" tall
B. Is it "grippable?"	CAN NOT BE 2X4—See Figure 33 for options	
R A I L I N G	Is a Guardrail required?	Required on all open sides of a deck that are more than 24 inches above the grade at the time of the final (This means if your final grade is not done but there is more than 24 inches to grade, you will have to provide a code compliant guard even if it is temporary.)
	A. Height of the guardrail	Minimum 36", No more than 4" between bottom of rail and top of deck
	B. Spindle spacing	No greater than 4 3/8 "
	What is the distance between posts (for both handrails and guardrails)?	Post spacing 6" or less unless cable rails *cable rail post s no more than 4 ft. apart with cable spacing a maximum of 3 1/2'
	Are the post for the handrails or guards notched?	NO notching allowed
M I S C	Is the required (YES! You must have ONE)GFCI receptacle in the correct location?	Receptacle can not be more than 6-1/2 ft. above the surface of the deck