



# Stairs and Stairways Checklist

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YES	NO	ITEM
		Are standard stair rails or handrails on all stairways having four or more risers?
		Are all stairways at least 22 inches wide?
		Do stairs have landing platforms not less than 30 inches in the direction of travel and extend 22 inches in width at every 12 feet or less of vertical rise?
		Do stairs angle no more than 50 and no less than 30 degrees?
		Are step risers on stairs uniform from top to bottom?
		Are steps on stairs and stairways designed or provided with a surface that renders them slip resistant?
		Are stairway handrails located between 30 and 34 inches above the leading edge of stair treads?
		Do stairway handrails have at least 3 inches of clearance between the handrails and the wall or surface they are mounted on?
		Where doors or gates open directly on a stairway, is there a platform provided so the swing of the door does not reduce the width of the platform to less than 21 inches?
		Where stairs or stairways exit directly into any area where vehicles may be operated, are adequate barriers and warnings provided to prevent employees stepping into the path of traffic?
		Do stairway landings have a dimension measured in the direction of travel, at least equal to the width of the stairway?

**ACTION TO BE TAKEN:**