

## ***DeckoRail Baluster FAQs:***

### **What colors and styles do DeckoRail products come in?**

DeckoRail® Round balusters are available in white, black, taupe, green and bronze. DeckoRail Arch, Rectangular, Square and Contour balusters are offered in black and bronze. Both Round and Square balusters are available in 26" & 32" lengths. DeckoRail glass balusters are clear to provide an unobstructed view of the landscape.

Metal post caps are available in High Point and Ball Top styles in assorted colors. Post caps are also available in solar LED, pressure-treated wood and Tiffany-style stained glass designs.

### **Will the finish on DeckoRail balusters peel or chip over time?**

The finish on DeckoRail balusters is guaranteed not to chip, peel, corrode or crack for a period of 10 years. All of our balusters and centerpieces are coated with a protective powder-coated finish that resists chipping and peeling.

### **Are DeckoRail balusters strong and safe?**

Yes. DeckoRail aluminum balusters are constructed of extruded aluminum, and glass balusters are made of 5/16" thick tempered safety glass.

### **Can I use DeckoRail balusters on my interior staircase?**

Yes. However, an experienced stair contractor should probably take on this installation.

### **Do I need special tools to install DeckoRail Balusters?**

A miter saw is needed to angle the Round metal balusters for stairways. For your safety remember to wear protective clothing and safety glasses.

### **How many balusters and post caps will I need for my rail?**

All of our baluster kits contain the required quantity of balusters and color-coordinated screws to construct one 6' on-center railing. The exception is the glass baluster kit, which contains 5 balusters for ease of shipment. Purchase 1.5 glass balusters for every lineal foot of railing.

### **What is the recommended baluster spacing for a typical rail?**

We suggest spacing DeckoRail metal balusters 4-1/2" on-center. This leaves 3-3/4" spacing between Round balusters and 3-1/2" between Arch, Contour, Square and Rectangular balusters, which meets most major building code requirements. We recommend spacing glass balusters 7-1/2" on-center for 3-1/2" spacing between balusters. Always check with your local building code official to ensure code compliance prior to installation.

### **Can DeckoRail balusters be used with lumber treated with Alkaline Copper Quaternary (ACQ) or Copper Azole (CA-B) wood preservative?**

DeckoRail aluminum balusters can be used with ACQ or CA-B wood preservative as long as they do not come in direct contact with the treated wood. We recommend using aluminum baluster connectors with washers (included in each package) to attach DeckoRail Round balusters to a railing. Use the plastic

washers included with the screws for attaching DeckoRail Arch, Contour, Square or Rectangular balusters to a treated rail. Corrosion caused by direct contact with treated wood is not covered under the warranty.

**What if I get deck stain or sealant on DeckoRail balusters?**

Deck treatments will not harm DeckoRail balusters as long as they are cleaned and wiped down immediately.