

### **Guidance Notes**

Our kits can be assembled easily using the following instructions and can be used on their own or joined together to create whichever configuration you might want.

We want you to enjoy your deck purchase for many years to come and by following a few simple steps you will be able to ensure this happens.

Please take time to read the assembly instructions carefully before erecting your decking kit and check all parts prior to assembly.

Ensure before starting construction that you have a level working area to install your frame, be this on paving slabs, gravel or well draining ground (grass/soil).

To complete your build you may also require Membrane, Fascia Boards, Corner Dolly's, Stain, Handrails, Extra Rope and Additional Joists to strengthen which are not provided as part of a standard kit.

Please Note: In some instances your joists and rope may require trimming to size to make your frame the correct / exact size.

### **Maintenance**

All timber decking can become slippery when wet or in situations where standing water is present. You should exercise caution when the surface is wet.

It is important that the deck surface is kept clean by regular brushing with a stiff bristle brush to remove dirt, algae and dead leaves which could make the deck slippery in the wet.

Periodic cleaning to remove moss and lichen will reduce the risk of slipping.

We recommend staining, treating or oiling your deck when complete to maximise its lifespan.

#### **Recommended Tools**

**Drill Driver** 

**PZ2 Driver Bit** 

Pencil

**Tape Measure** 

**Hand Saw** 

**Spirit Level** 

**Stanley Knife** 

For all kits we recommend a minimum of two people for safe assembly.

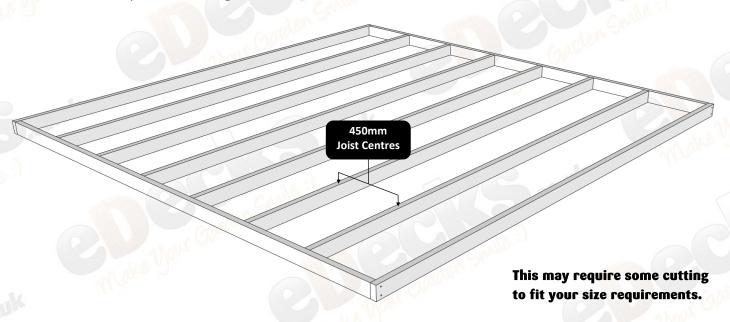
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### Step 1

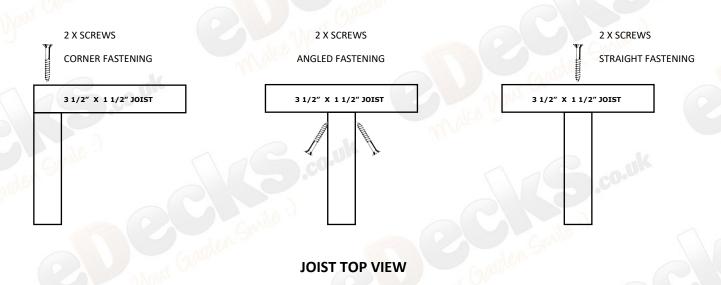
### LAY YOUR FRAME

This is an example of a decking frame.



Using the decking joists provided in the Kit (3 1/2" x 1 1/2") build the perimeter first then evenly spread the remaining decking joists inside as shown in the example above, using the 4" x 10g joist screws from the fixing kit.

#### METHOD FOR SCREWING JOISTS



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### Step 2

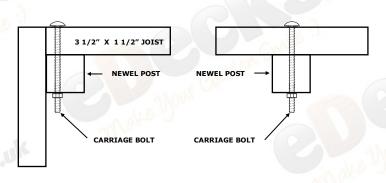
### FITTING NEWEL POSTS (IF INCLUDED)

If your kit includes handrails please follow the instructions on this page, if not you can proceed to the next step.

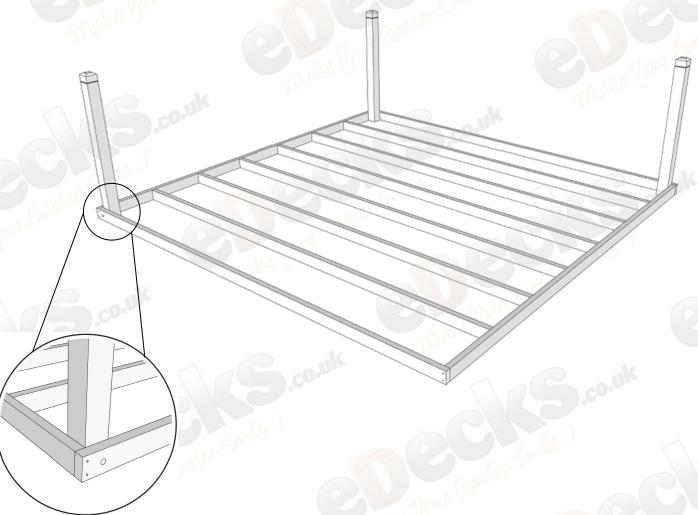
Each newel needs securing in each corner (Fig A) and depending on your kit size might also need securing on the side (Fig B) do so using the Carriage Bolts.

#### A. SECURE AT CORNER

#### **B. SECURE AT SIDE**



Install all the newels so your kit begins to look like the below diagram.



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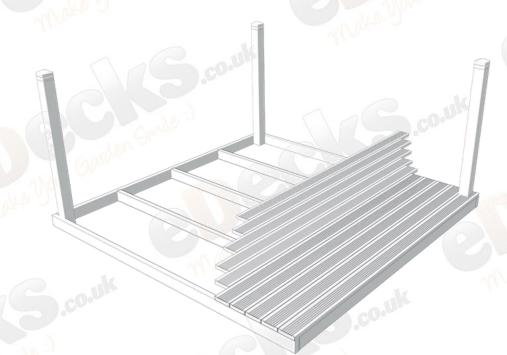


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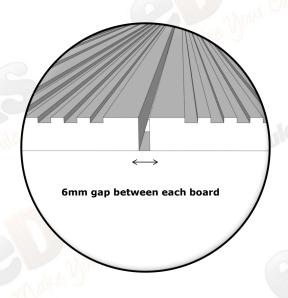
### **INSTALLING THE DECKING BOARDS**

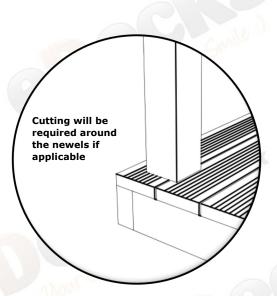
Decking boards should fit exactly to the frame, working in the opposite direction to the joist work, when laying the boards make sure you leave a 6mm gap between each board. Use 2 x screws per board, per joist





Don't forget to check your work with a level as you go!





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### Step 3 Cont'd

**INSTALLING THE DECKING BOARDS** 

With all the deck boards secured in place, your deck should now look as per below.



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### Step 4

### **ROPE HANDRAIL SYSTEM**

If your rope is supplied in one length it will need cutting to the right size for your chosen kit size.

The rope should measure an additional 0.5M on top of the length of your span, measure out and cut the rope on the ground before fixing to your newels.

Measure accurately where to place the rope cups and screw these into the centre of your newel post using 3 screws in each cup.



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### Step 4 Cont'd

### **ROPE HANDRAIL SYSTEM**

Insert the ends of the rope into the cups and secure in place using the grub screw on the side of the fixing.



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**Enjoy your new Decking!** 

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