

Pocket numbers



Item	Metric	Inches
Stair rise, common	125–180 mm	5.0–7.0
Tread run, common	280 mm+	11.1+
Exit stair width	900 mm+	36
Headroom over stairs	2050 mm+	81
Handrail, new	865–965 mm	34.1–37.9
Guard needed, drop over	600 mm	23.6
Guard, general / in unit	1070 / 900 mm	43 / 36
Guard gaps	under 100 mm	3½
Escape window	0.35 m ² , 380 mm sides	543 sq in, 15
Child limiter opening	100 mm max	3.9
Drywall screws, ceiling / wall	300 / 400 mm (300 rated)	11¾ / 15⅝
Drain slope	1 in 50	¼ per ft
Hot water, tap min / tub max	44 / 49 °C	112 / 120 °F
20 min door gap, bottom / sides, top	6 / 3 mm max	7/32 / 3/32

- Joist hole ¼ of depth, 50 mm from edges. Notch top only, ⅓ deep, within ½ depth of bearing. Trusses never
- Stud: keep ⅔ (loadbearing) or 40 mm. Top plate: keep 50 mm
- Smoke: within 5 m of every bedroom, every floor (city). CO, with a fuel appliance or garage: in or within 5 m of bedrooms
- Hot work: clear 15 m, watch 60 min, check at 4 h

Before you start



Licensed or trained

- Wiring changes, gas, plumbing piping, sprinklers, asbestos beyond low risk

Call One-Stop for a permit

- Walls, structure, stairs, decks 600 mm+, new openings, siding 25%+, fire separations, new units, Heritage or Flood Risk areas

No permit in apartments

- Paint, flooring, roofing, drywall patch under half a wall (not rated), repointing, maintenance, fixture swap with no piping change

- Pre-1990 or unsure: test for asbestos before cutting
- Entry notice: 7 days routine, 24 h inspection, 8 a.m.–8 p.m., no Sundays or holidays
- Permit fee \$120 + \$8.90 per \$1,000. Starting early costs 3×

Emergency **911**

One-Stop **506-658-4455**

Fire Prevention **506-658-2962**

Technical Inspection **1-888-659-3222**

WorkSafeNB **1-800-999-9775**