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Managing Outdoor Stairs

Wood ramp

Wood ramps require building permits and concrete footings to secure post.

- Labor costs, permits, and time required often drive the cost up higher than an aluminum ramp, though material cost may be slightly lower. This may be a good option with volunteer labor and manpower when available.

- Disadvantages of using wood include:
  - Increased time and money for permits and labor.
  - Limited life of ramp due to decay.
  - Upkeep and maintenance required.
  - Cannot be modified once installed.

Modular ramp

Adjustable to different heights and configurations

- Available in a number of different styles: aluminum, wood, composite and steel.
  - Aluminum and composite are very low maintenance and will last a lifetime.
  - Available in powder coated color finishes.
  - Options for grated flooring for slip resistance and minimal snow and ice accumulation.
  - Fast installation (less than one day).
- Can be reused at different locations.
- Typically do not require permits.
- Can be lengthened or shortened to adjust the slope/grade.
- Often a cost-effective option and can offer a temporary (rental) or permanent solution.

### Landscaping & concrete:

- Oftentimes, accessibility can be provided without appearing “handicapped” as with a ramp.
- Creative landscaping can be performed to provide access to a home with beauty.
- Very aesthetically appealing option.
- More expensive option than ramping.
- Permanent and cannot be adjusted after installed.

### Ramp design considerations:

For the best individualized accessible design, consider all entrances to the home and speak with an experienced accessibility specialist to help design a system that will work for you. Some of the more basic considerations are:

- An adequate, level landing at the entry door to manage the doorway safely and independently.
- Adequate railings for safety.
- Intermediate landings for rest breaks.
- Sufficient landing space to the outside of the door handle (to allow a man ageable approach area for the wheelchair user).
- It is very important to account for the end point of the ramp in relation to the top landing of the ramp when determining overall pitch.
Considering a porch lift:

For multiple stairs to enter the home it may actually be more economical and affordable to enter the home with a wheelchair lift system.

- Conserves space with small footprint.
  - May be used in limited spaces such as garage or other sheltered entries.
- Conserve energy vs. extensive ramp.
- Often more cost effective than an extensive ramp when there are numerous steps.

Stair lift:

- Indoor and outdoor options.
- Available for straight and curved stairways.
- A great option for managing stairs safely and comfortably for individuals who are able to transfer independently, but may not be able to walk up and down stairs.
- Up to 600 pound weight capacity available.
- Has safety stop sensors and battery backup.
Inclined platform lift:

- Allows an individual in a wheelchair to get up and down stairs without having to transfer from wheelchair or scooter.
- Uses a platform that rides up and down the stairs.
- For both inside and outside.
- Folds up out of the way when not in use.
- Has safety stop sensors & battery backup.

Elevator:

- May be customized to blend with your home’s décor.
- Increases your home’s value.
- Battery backup available.
- Easy to manage without need for transfers.
- Automatic door openers and environmental control activation available.

Mechanical assisted stair climber:

- Motorized device that lifts an individual up and down the stairs with a trained care giver operating and activating the mechanical lifter.
- For individuals who have the assistance of a trained caregiver.
- Can integrate with a manual wheelchair or use with its own seat system.
- Easily disassembles to fit into car for travel.
- Can manage outdoor or indoor stairs.
Threshold transition:

- Available in rubber and aluminum.
- Custom colors and finishes.
- Unique solutions for easier wheelchair management for custom heights.

Portable wheelchair ramp:

- Intended for low stair heights.
- Typically used for 1-2 stairs to ensure safe management.
- Different styles available.
- Folding “suitcase ramps for storage.
- Can be used with vehicles.

Railings and supports:

Wood, metal or colored railings or supports can provide safe stair management and transitions. Color contrast strategies at stair edges are available to provide traction and visual cues.
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