

HOW TO CHECK YOUR DECK

5 Tips to Insure Deck Safety



Tip # 1

Check support posts and beams for rot, splitting or abnormal movement.



Tip # 2

Closely check the attachment points between the house and deck



Tip # 3

Check all fasteners, bolts, brackets, etc., for rust and corrosion. Look for improper fasteners. Screws shear under stress and should not be used for structural attachments.



Tip # 4

Check all guards and rails to be sure they are sturdy and well secured.



Tip # 5

Use grills, heaters and outdoor fire pits with care and be sure to observe all rules regarding their use.



Tip # 6

When in doubt call Building and Inspections (434) 946-9302. We are always here to help and answer any questions you may have.