## EXTERIOR RAMP REQUIREMENTS FOR HOUSES (NON-BARRIER-FREE)

- The slope of every exterior ramp shall not be more than 1:10, OBC 9.8.5.4.(1).(b).
- Where a doorway or stairway opens onto the side of a ramp, there shall be a level area extending across the full width of the ramp and for a distance of not less than  $300 \text{mm} (11 \frac{3}{4})$  on either side of the wall opening, OBC 9.8.6.3.(4).
- Guards are required where the ramp or platform is more than 600mm (23  $\frac{5}{8}$ ") above grade, OBC 9.8.8.1.(1).
- The required guard height is 900mm (2'-11") when the ramp is 1800mm (5'-11") or less above grade, OBC 9.8.8.3.(1).
- The maximum picket spacing is 100mm (4") for guards on ramps greater than 24" above grade, OBC 9.8.8.5.(1).
- If guards are provided on ramps less than 600mm (24") above grade picket spacing must be less than 4" or greater than 8", but cannot be between 4" and 8", OBC 9.8.8.5.(3).

• Guards shall be designed for the significant loads specified in OBC 9.8.8.2.(1). or meet the construction requirements prescribed in the Supplementary Standards SB-7, OBC 9.8.8.2.

• Guards and handrails for stairs must conform to OBC 9.8.7. and 9.8.8.

