

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF BRIGHTON
REQUIREMENTS TO ISSUE A DECK PERMIT

1. Approval of Livingston County Health Department

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2. Decks with ground support must be designed for 40 pound live loads.

Decks without ground support must be designed for 60 pound live loads.

From finished grade level, decks can be a maximum of 30" in height without needing a railing. When putting on a railing, the height must be a minimum of 36" and the spacing cannot exceed 4". When adding steps to the deck, they must be 8 1/4" maximum height from nosing to nosing.

3. Must have 2 complete sets of plans with dimensions showing:

- a) Floor plan displaying post, beam, joist site and spacing, attachment, stairs, and rails.
- b) Elevation showing height of deck above ground, footings 42 inches below grade, with concrete below post, height of rails and spacing of uprights.
- c) Stair details including frost free foundation and hand rails.
- d) Complete site plan showing existing buildings, location of proposed deck, and all setbacks from property lines.
- e) Example attached.

4. Separate electrical and plumbing permits, if applicable, will be required.