



CODES

Q: Do ProCurve stair systems meet the 4" sphere rule? **A:** Yes

Q: Do ProCurve stair systems meet the 34" to 38" rake handrail height? **A:** Yes

LEAD TIME

Q: What is the lead time? **A:** The lead time will be 1-2 weeks per pack. See the ProCurve brochure for further details.

Q: How fast can I receive all 3 packs? **A:** 6 to 8 weeks

PACKS

Q: Can I get the Trim & Balustrade Pack only (without the Layout and Framing packs)? **A:** No, ProCurve is a progressive custom stair system. The Trim & Balustrade Pack is not available separately; however, you can purchase Pack 1 only, or Packs 1 & 2 only or all 3 packs.

Q: Can I repeat the use of the Layout Pack? **A:** No, the contents of the layout pack are incorporated into the construction of the stairway.

BALUSTRADE

Q: Does it have to be a 90 degree stair? **A:** No, unlimited configurations are available.

Q: Are custom radii available? **A:** Yes, unlimited configurations are available.

Q: Can it have various radii within the same stairway? **A:** Yes, unlimited configurations are available.

Q: Can iron balusters be used? **A:** Yes, they are available as an upgrade to the Trim & Balustrade Pack. Refer to the ProCurve brochure.

FRAMING MATERIAL

Q: Can I remove the metal angles that are used to assemble each tread & riser together after all tread/riser assemblies have been installed and secured to the stair framing studs? **A:** No, the metal angles are needed for support.

Q: Can ProCurve be freestanding? **A:** No, however we can quote a free standing, "cut out" stair that is assembled on the job by a competent stair builder. It will not be ProCurve.

Q: Is the framing material suitable for slab construction? OR Can I set treated material for the bottom wall plates? **A:** The answer to both questions is, the bottom wall plates are not made out of treated material, but if the customer wants this added to the project then the customer needs to inform L.J. Smith and provide the material thickness.

Q: Can I remove any part of the bottom Framing plate after the stair is installed? **A:** Yes, using a sawzall, the straight pieces under the stairway can be removed. Note: The curved pieces of the framing plate must remain in tact.

Q: Can I finish the under side of the stairway? **A:** Yes, the use of steel studs as purlins is an effective method.

STARTING STEPS, TREADS & RISERS

Q: Is the LJ-3004 insert already installed into the starting step prior to shipment? **A:** Yes

Q: Can I get full treads and risers? **A:** Yes, they are available as an upgrade. They will be applied over top of the 3/4" thick CDX plywood. The nosing of the 3/4" CDX plywood will be removed.

Q: What is the thickness of the optional full treads? **A:** 1" thick, however, they may be rabbeted to accommodate local building codes.

Q: Are full risers available? **A:** Yes, they are available as an upgrade.

Q: Can the veneered skirt be mitered with the false risers/full risers? **A:** No, the skirts would need to be mitered on the jobsite after they are trimmed to the stair's rough treads and risers.

Q: Can the false risers/full risers be mitered with stair trim brackets? **A:** Yes, the trim brackets always come pre-mitered and the risers can also be mitered at the jobsite to accept the trim brackets for a cleaner corner. The trim brackets and full risers are available as optional upgrades.

Q: Are primed risers available? **A:** Yes, they are available as an upgrade.

Corner Molding

Q: Is the corner molding mitered? **A:** No, it is made out of solid material so there isn't a joint.

Q: Can we purchase corner molding separately? **A:** Yes, it can be quoted; the longest length available will be 42".

Skirtboard

Q: Does the skirtboard have to come with the vertical lines showing at the connection of the plywood? **A:** Yes, the skirtboard comes in sections to facilitate installation and shipping.

Q: How many seams will there be in the skirtboard on the rake? **A:** On the inside wall there will be 1 seam and the outside wall will have 2 seams. If the number of risers exceeds 18 then the number of seams will increase.

Q: Why is the skirtboard 1/8" not 3/4"? **A:** The 1/8" thick material is easy to install compared to layers of plywood on the rake, and it is cost effective.

Q: Can I get full 3/4" bending skirtboards? **A:** No, ProCurve is engineered for 1/8" skirtboard material.

Q: Is the skirtboard ready for installation? **A:** Partially, they need to be trimmed at the job site. A scribe disk is provided for trimming the outside radius skirtboard. The inside radius skirtboard will be attached in place and then trimmed to the rough treads and risers.

Q: Is the skirtboard able to be cut to handle a miter with the false riser? **A:** No, the skirtboard would need to be mitered on the jobsite after they are trimmed to the stair's rough treads and risers.

Q: Can I purchase the skirtboard cap without buying ProCurve? **A:** Yes, it can be quoted. The skirtboard cap provided for ProCurve is made for 1/8" thick skirtboard. It does not work with 3/4" thick skirtboard.

Balcony Product

Q: Are the balcony products available? **A:** Yes, through our current L.J. Smith distributors.

Q: Are the balcony products provided with the ProCurve stairway estimate? **A:** No, the balcony products are an additional purchase through our current L.J. Smith distributors.

Style Decisions

Q: Can the stairway start with a post-to-post newel or a box newel at the bottom? **A:** No, ProCurve stairs are designed to begin with an over-the-post newel.

Q: Can turnouts or standard volutes be used? **A:** No, ProCurve is engineered to utilize climbing volutes and a coordinated starting step.

Q: Can vertical volutes be used? **A:** Yes

Q: Is an over-the-post newel available at the 2nd floor landing? **A:** No, ProCurve utilizes a post-to-post newel at the 2nd floor to simplify installation at the jobsite.

Q: Can a landing fitting assembly (gooseneck) be used at the 2nd floor landing of the balcony? **A:** No, the rake handrail will attach directly to the post-to-post newel.

Upgrades

Q: What other species are offered besides Red Oak and Poplar? **A:** ProCurve is also available in Beech, Maple or Cherry as an upgrade.

Q: Are other balusters offered besides the 5015 style? **A:** Yes, they are available as an upgrade to the Trim & Balustrade Pack. Refer to the ProCurve brochure.

Q: Are other handrail profiles offered besides the 6010 style? **A:** Yes, they are available as an upgrade to the Trim & Balustrade Pack. Refer to the ProCurve brochure.

Building Parameters

Q: How wide can the 3/4" CDX treads be? **A:** 48"

Q: How high can the sub floor to sub floor measurement be? **A:** Unlimited BUT be aware that most codes require a platform or "resting point" over 144". NOTE...The customer must specify the thickness of the lower Finished Floor and specify the thickness of the upper Finished Floor before a Layout Pack can be created.

Q: Can carpeting be placed under the stairs? **A:** Yes, remove the framing material by using a sawzall.

Material

Q: What obvious material is NOT provided? **A:** The 2" x 4"s to make the stud walls and the drywall material are provided by the customer.

Tools

Q: What installation tools are provided? **A:** The scribe disk for marking and trimming the skirt (if the skirt upgrade is selected), Centaur® for re-drilling the balusters for the Dowel-Fast screws, Dowel-Runner® for inserting the Dowel-Fast screws into the baluster bottoms.

Q: What hardware is provided? **A:** Metal angle braces & screws for treads & risers, L-brackets & screws for assembly to the stud wall on the outside radius, Dowel-Fast screws for securing the balusters to the treads, adhesive, hardware for mounting the newel posts, tape for the corner molding.