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HAND RAIL – INTERNAL & EXTERNAL HOUSING MODIFICATION SPECIFICATION

Person's Name: _____

Assessor's Name: _____

Application No.: _____

Email to emshousing@accessable.co.nz

1. Internal Stairs - ascending

Location	Wooden banister	Dowel	Length mm	Alternative Height mm
Left side of stairs	☐	☐		
Right side of stairs	☐	☐		
Both sides	☐	☐		

Approximate year home was built: _____

☐ An alternative design or material is required, please describe & please specify details, supplier, make, model/code *(Please explain the reasons in the application where there is additional cost):*

Internal Handrails / Grabrails

Location	Aluminium	Stainless Steel	Powder Coated	Quantity	Length mm	Alternative height mm
Bath	☐	☐	☐			
Shower	☐	☐	☐			
Toilet	☐	☐	☐			

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2. External Handrail – Galvanised Steel – ascending the steps or path

Location	Left Side	Right Side	Both	Length mm	Alternative height mm
Back Door	☐	☐	☐		
Front Door	☐	☐	☐		
Path	☐	☐	☐		

☐ An alternative design or material is required, please describe & please specify details, supplier, make, model/code *(Please explain the reasons in the application where there is additional cost)*:

☐ The position of the handrail/grabrail (s) has been discussed and agreed with the Contractor.

☐ Please consider where the steps exit, if they end on driveways, or shared / common paths or land. *Please complete an **application in principle** without a quote.*

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Additional Notes:

Notes about Rails:

- If the home is built after 1992 the provision of one handrail for (both internal and external) steps or stairs is home owner responsibility.
- Step/stair rise and tread must be safe for anyone regardless of disability, eg stair rise 180mm to 190mm +- tolerance 10mm; stair tread 280mm +- tolerance 10mm. Funding for handrails can be considered once remedial works have been completed, please use a Notification of Remedial Works Form to note any issues.
- Path gradient and surface must be safe for anyone regardless of disability, eg a minimum of hard-packed gravel or another such solid surface, level with the surrounding step. Funding for handrails can be considered once remedial works have been completed, please use a Notification of Remedial Works Form to note any issues.
- Standard hand rail height is 900 -1000mm; distance between the inner edge of the rail and the wall will be no less than 45mm; handrail will extend parallel to the ground at least 300mm beyond the top and bottom step, unless this encroaches on the person's path of travel or the rail obstructs a shared path or drive. In these cases the rail should end in line with the edge of the bottom step but have the end of the rail turned down.
- Funding for handrails on paths or steps can be provided only to one main accessible route between the home and where a vehicle can be parked.

EMS Assessor Signature _____ **Date** / /

Contractor Signature _____ **Date** / /