

Construction details within former termite management areas

Decks and porches

Although termites have been substantially controlled in Guelph, and there is no known ongoing activity in the City, we recommend implementing the termite measures for construction projects in the former termite management areas.

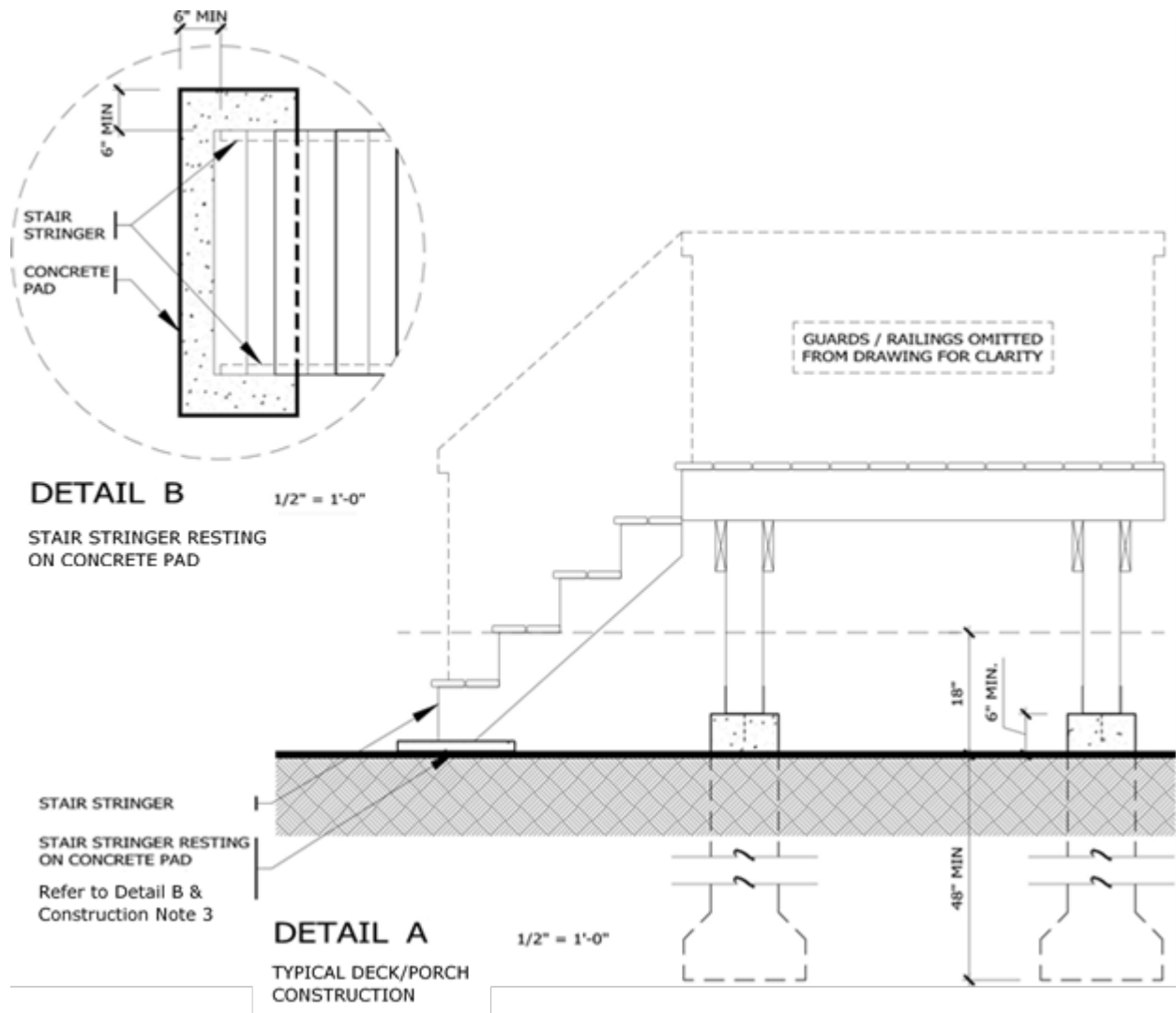
Alternatively to, or in addition to, the physical termite control barrier illustrated in the image below, soil may be treated with a soil termiticide.

The construction details specified here are based on best practices known to-date.

The use of prescribed construction methods and/or chemical termiticide treatment will reduce the risk of termite resurgence on your property. No methods provide an absolute guarantee against future resurgence.

Construction Notes

1. All wood within 18 inches of finished grade shall be pressure-treated.
2. Concrete piers or deck blocks shall be used, extending not less than 6 inches above finished grade. Wood posts shall not be used in the ground.
3. Stair stringers shall rest on a concrete pad, not directly on the ground. Concrete pad shall project a minimum of 1 inch above finished grade and minimum of 6 inches beyond stair stringer. See Detail B.
4. All lattice and trim shall be termite resistant (i.e.: pressure-treated or vinyl).
5. If using any type of paper-based concrete forms (i.e.: Sonotubes), all above grade portions of forms shall be removed.



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