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INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

Impact Protection Systems HANDRAILS: THUNDERBIRD[®] (WG-2112)

- **Step 1:** Determine top of handrail height and snap a chalk line 3-3/4" below for centerline of mounting hardware, see **fig. 1** (see CAD details on back for all figure references)
- Step 2: Cut aluminum. All ends must be checked for squareness before assembly.
 See fig. 2, 3 and 4 for adjustments to aluminum length at corners and wall returns.
 Note: All cuts must be square and deburred
- **Step 3:** Layout aluminum retainer "face up" and mark and drill bracket mounting hole location. **Mounting holes must be spaced:**
 - 32" on center, or less
 - 1-1/2" 6" from end of retainer at returns and outside corners
 - A minimum of 3" from end of retainer at splices and butt joints

Note: Use groove in retainer to locate centerline for drilling, see fig. 5

- Step 4: Insert molded accessories into end of retainer, press firmly to insure molded part is seated squarely against the end of the retainer. Drill accessory mounting holes using the accessory as a template, see fig. 6b
- **Step 5:** Locate and drill bracket mounting holes in wall construction using the aluminum retainer as a template (or by careful measurement). Choice of hardware will dictate hole diameter.
- Step 6: Slide rubber impact cushion into retainer, see fig. 7
- Step 7: Attach returns and outside corners to retainer insuring accessory is seated squarely while tightening. Fasten with 1/4" bolt, flat washer and nylon lok-nut provided.
 Caution: Do not use a lock washer, use flat washers only. Always place a flat washer between nut and molded tab. Tighten to 10 ft-lbs maximum torque, see fig. 6a
- Step 8:
 Mount assembly to wall with the appropriate hardware according to wall condition.

 Suggested hardware:
 Drywall: Toggler® brand toggle bolts

 Masonry: Plastic Alligator® insert
- Step 9: Refer to fig. 9 for splicing of aluminum retainer on longer handrail lengths.
- **Step 10:** Measure between accessories (corners and returns) and cut all three vinyl covers. *Note: All cuts must be square and deburred.*
- **Step 11:** Place accent strip in finger groove of rail, ID mark down, see **fig. 8**. Snap on upper vinyl handrail cover and then snap on the loweranyl bumper guard.



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