

DECK PLANNING CHECKLIST



PLAN YOUR PERFECT DECK IN 6 STEPS

1 Define Your Deck's Purpose

What will you use the deck for? (e.g., entertaining, dining, relaxing, family space)

How many people will it need to accommodate regularly?

Do you need space for specific features like a hot tub, fire pit, or outdoor kitchen?

2 Evaluate Your Yard

Is the location sunny, shaded, or windy? _____

Is the ground level or sloped? _____

Do you need to remove trees, shrubs, or old structures? _____

Is there an ideal access point from the home (kitchen, living room, etc.)? _____

3 Determine Size & Layout

Desired deck size (in square feet): _____

Preferred shape: ☐ Square ☐ Rectangular ☐ Multi-level ☐ Custom _____

Will it need stairs or ramps? _____

Will you add railings, gates, or partitions? _____

4 Set Your Budget

Total budget: \$ _____

Include cushion for unforeseen costs (10–15%) _____

Plan for additional features (lighting, built-ins, etc.) _____

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Choose Your Decking Material

Pressure-treated wood_____

Cedar or redwood_____

Composite decking_____

PVC or aluminum_____

Other: _____

**Consider maintenance and long-term durability*

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Understand Local Requirements

Check local zoning laws_____

Confirm if permits are needed_____

Know setback requirements and height restrictions_____

Schedule necessary inspections if applicable_____

Bonus Notes

Use this space to jot down ideas, notes, or questions

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