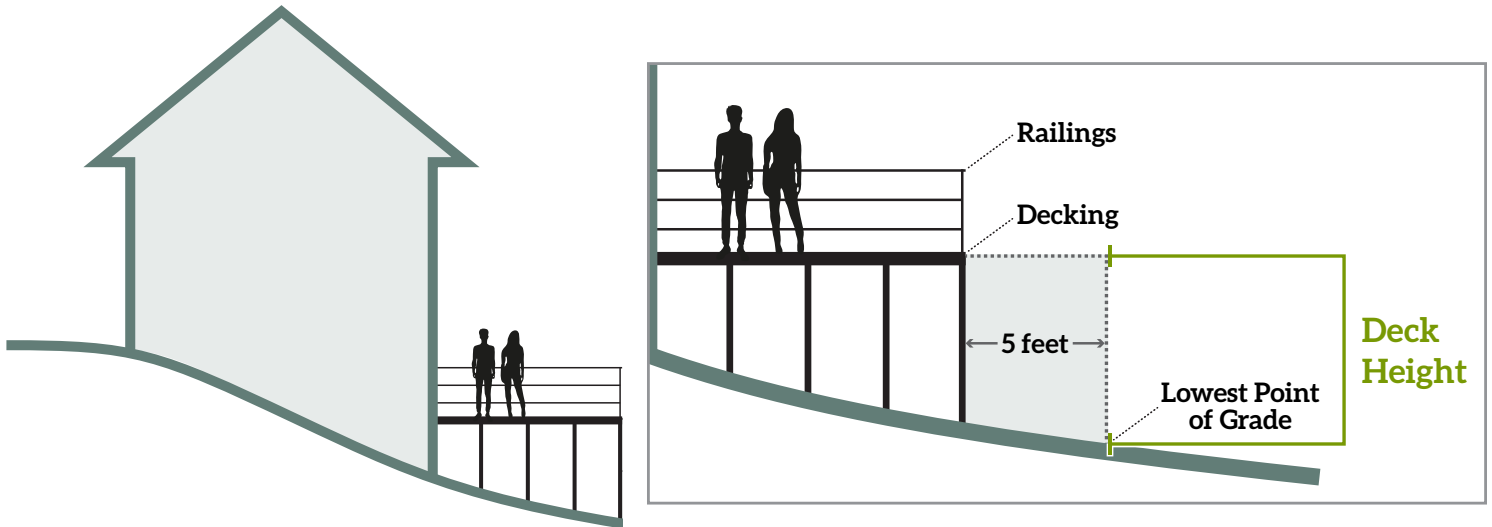


## Residential Deck Requirements in Unincorporated Jeffco

### HOW TO MEASURE THE HEIGHT OF A DECK

- Measure from the lowest point of the grade to the decking.



### AT-GRADE PATIOS

- No permit required
- Does not need to meet any setbacks

### DECKS 12" OR LESS IN HEIGHT

- No permit required
- Does not need to meet any setbacks

### DECKS TALLER THAN 12" BUT NOT MORE THAN 30" ABOVE GRADE PLANE\*

- [Miscellaneous Permit](#) required
- Scaled Site Plan required
- Must meet setbacks
- Elevation/Drawings/Plans

### DECKS 30" OR TALLER

- [Building Permit](#) required
- New decks, deck expansions and replacement decks may trigger Defensible Space requirements for properties in the mountains. Please see Section 39 - Wildland Urban Interface Overlay District in the [Jefferson County Zoning Resolution](#) for details.

### OTHER REQUIREMENTS

- Any deck cover will require a Building permit
- Please contact the [Building Safety Division](#) for any structural questions or concerns.

\* **Grade Plane** is a line that shows the average level of the ground surrounding a deck where it meets the outside limits of the deck. If the ground slopes away from the deck, this line is drawn at the lowest point 5 feet away from the deck. Please contact the [Building Safety Division](#) for additional information.

\* **This guide only applies to Residential properties.**