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Stair Riser Height Measurement at Thresholds

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Question:

If a stair leads up to a door that has a threshold, do you measure the riser height to the top of the threshold or to the finished floor height?

Answer:

Measure the rise from the stair step (tread) surface or landing surface (if any) to the top of the threshold.

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