



Interna-Rail® Handrail System Eliminates Repainting Costs at Oschner Medical Center

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Located near the coast line, the older welded steel system was subject to rapid corrosion and needed to be repainted every three to five years at a cost of \$5 to \$10 per linear foot. By contrast, the Interna-Rail system from Hollaender consists of an anodized aluminum railing frame with electro-coated/powder coated [wire mesh infill panels](#). It resists corrosion, stands up to heavy pedestrian use, and requires very little maintenance. Both Oschner and HMS are pleased with the new railing and intend to use the system at future facilities.

The Interna-Rail handrail system is an in-line fitting based system designed to combine the clean look of welded rail with all the benefits of a mechanical system. Interna-Rail systems can be designed to meet any building code and are being used throughout the world in architectural, public works, and stadium applications. All Interna-Rail fittings and pipe are supplied with either a 215-R1 (M12-C22-A41) anodized finish which provides additional resistance to damage, especially in harsh climates, or a powder coat finish that meets AAMA 2604 specifications for color and gloss retention.

Interna-Rail systems are shipped in pre-fabricated sections of 10–24 feet and are easily installed without specialized labor. The system features a double tang set screw activated design which provides a virtually maintenance free system that is longer lasting than those which utilize adhesives and pop rivets.

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About Hollaender

Hollaender is a manufacturer and marketer of aluminum structural pipe fittings, aluminum pipe, and infill panels, as well as final assemblies that use these components. These components are used in the design and build of handrail, guardrail and safety rail systems as well as a wide variety of unique modular pipe and fitting based structures for commercial, residential, public works and industrial applications, as well for retail store fixtures and other structural applications. These components and systems are marketed under the trademarked brands Speed-Rail® and Interna-Rail®. Hollaender also offers consultation, design, and project management services.