

Changing Railings to use Cable, Glass, or Decorative Panels

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QUESTION



How can I apply a cable, glass, or decorative panel from the Library Browser to my railings and stairs?

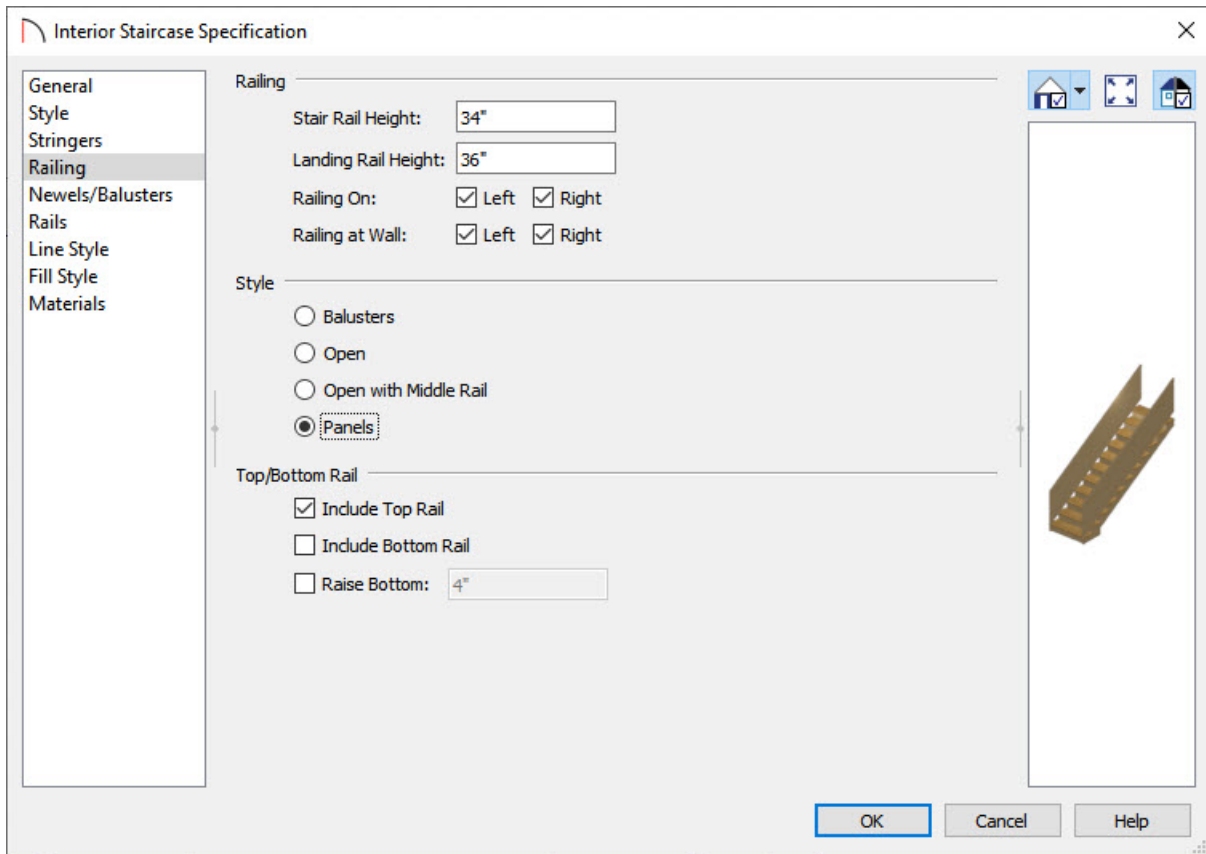


ANSWER

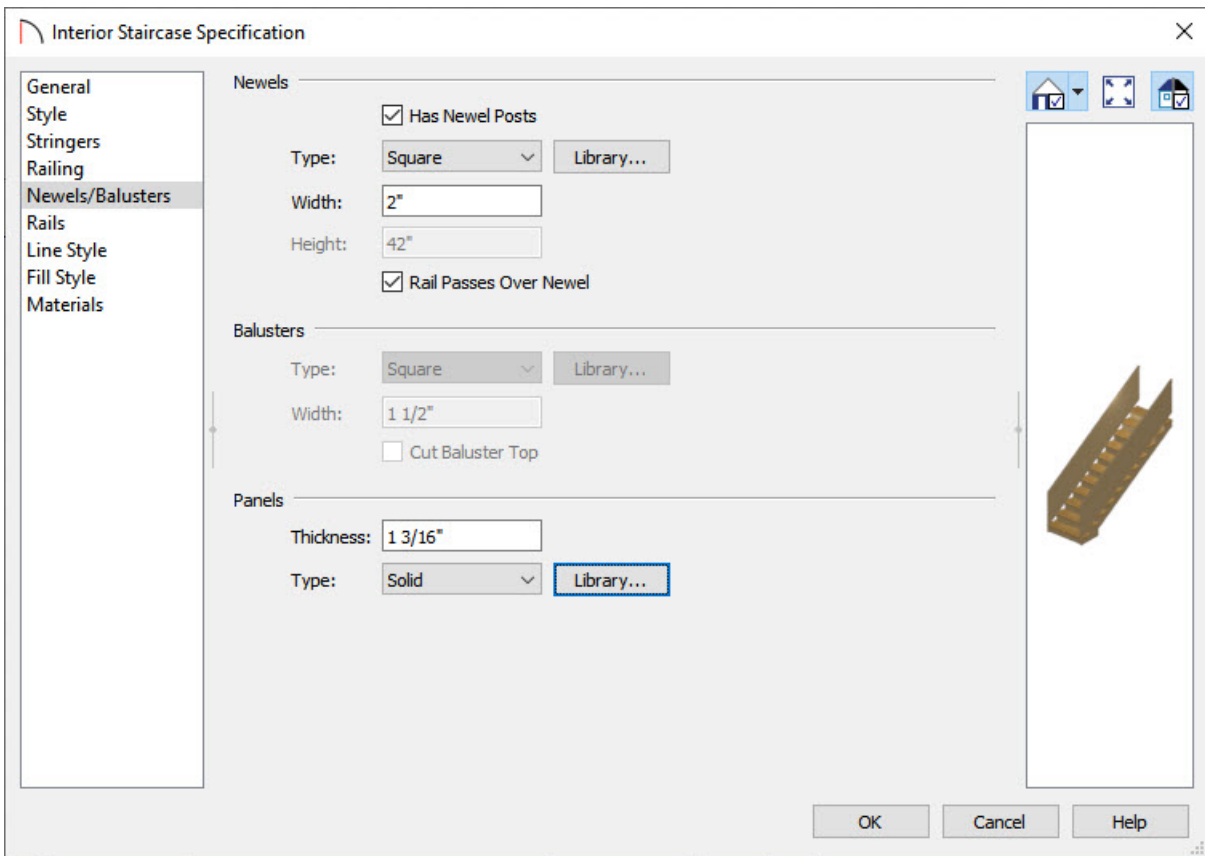
Cable, glass, and other decorative panels can be applied to railings using the Staircase Specification and Railing Specification dialogs.

To specify panels in the Staircase Specification dialog

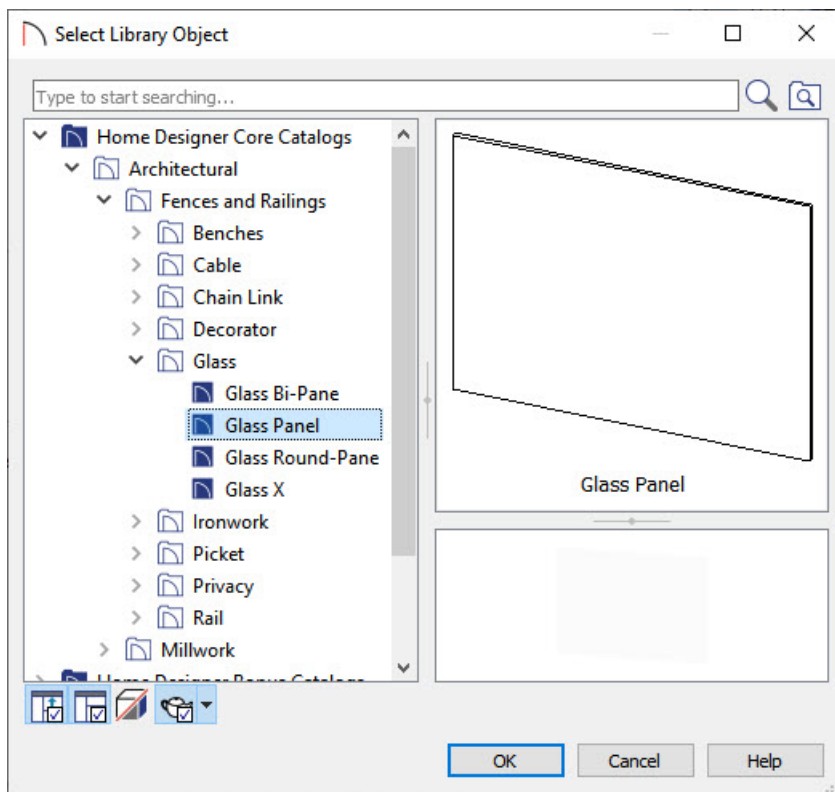
1. Using the **Select Objects**  tool, select the Staircase that needs to change, and click on the **Open Object**  edit tool.
2. On the **RAILING** panel of the **Staircase Specification** dialog that displays, select the **Panels** radio button under the Style section.



3. On the **NEWELS/BALUSTERS** panel, click on the **Library** button located next to the Type drop-down under the Panels section to open the **Select Library Object** dialog, and browse the library for an appropriate panel option.





- Cable railing panels can be found in **Home Designer Core Catalogs> Architectural> Fences and Railings> Cable**.
- Glass panels can be found in **Home Designer Core Catalogs> Architectural> Fences and Railings> Glass**



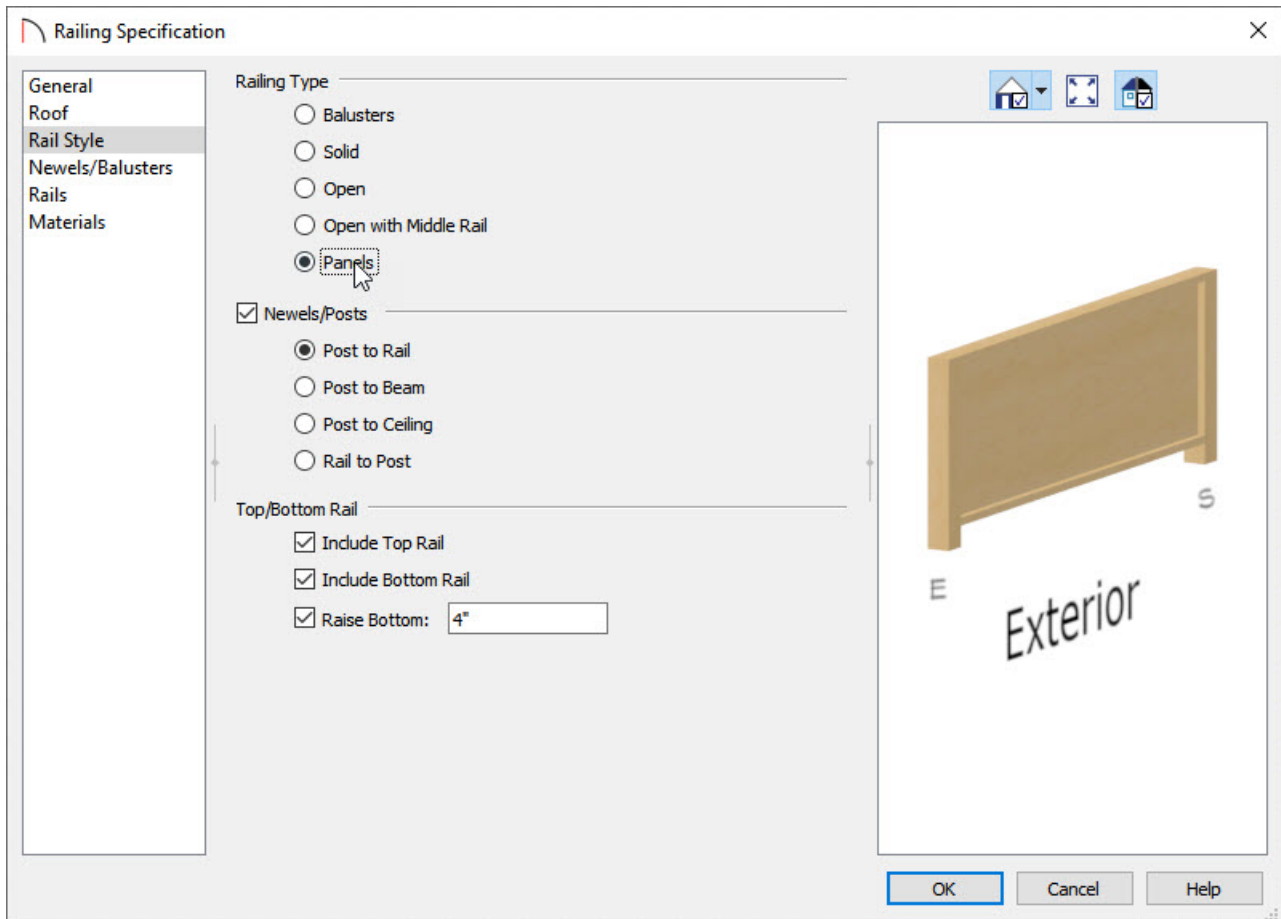
4. Once an appropriate panel has been selected, and all other desired changes have been made, click **OK**.

To specify panels in the Railing Specification dialog

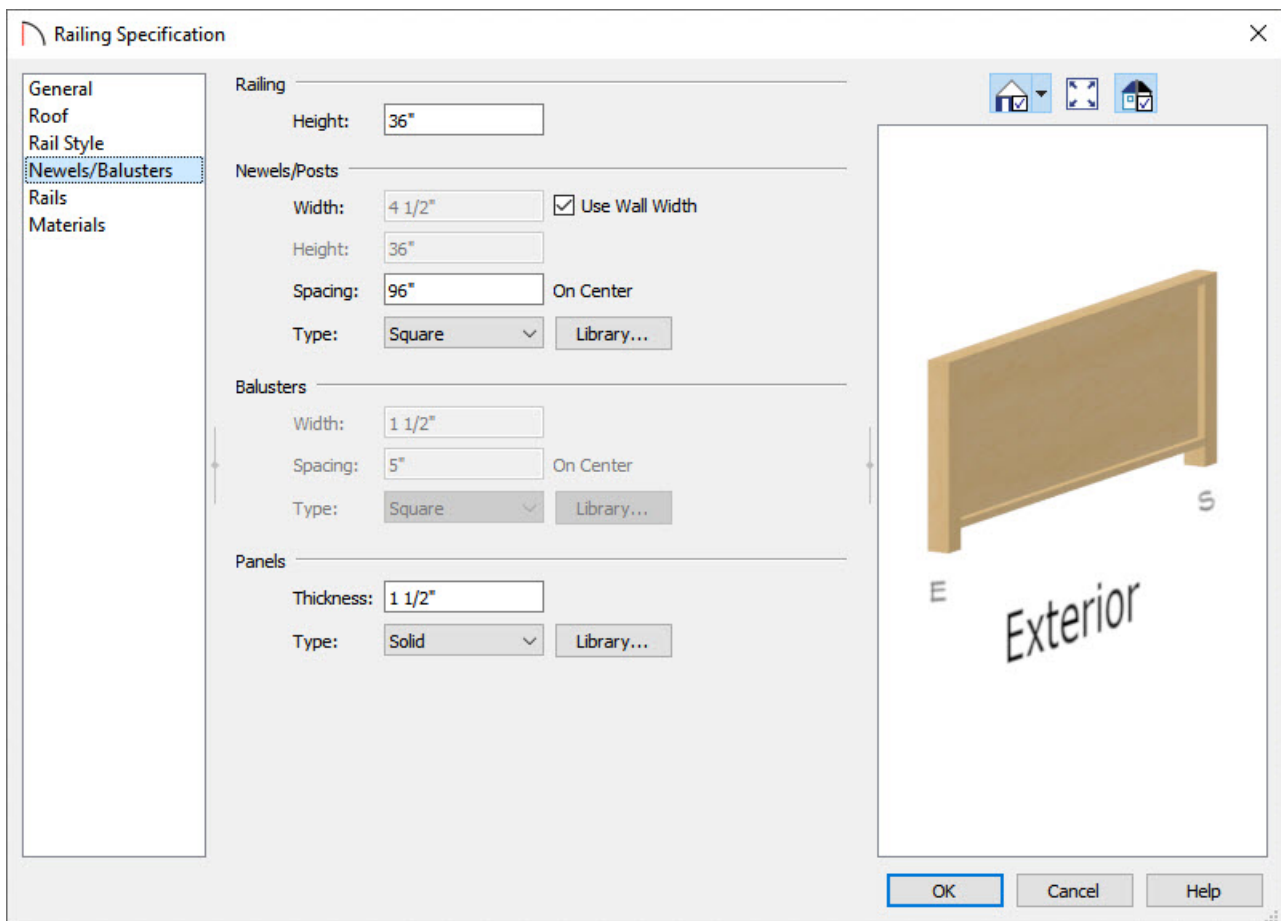
1. Using the **Select Objects**  tool, select the railing, then click on the **Open Object**  edit tool.

If the majority of railings in your plan are going to be cable or panel railings, it would be more efficient to apply the steps mentioned in this section to your Railing Defaults. From the menu, click Edit> Default Settings and expand the list for Walls to edit the Railing defaults.

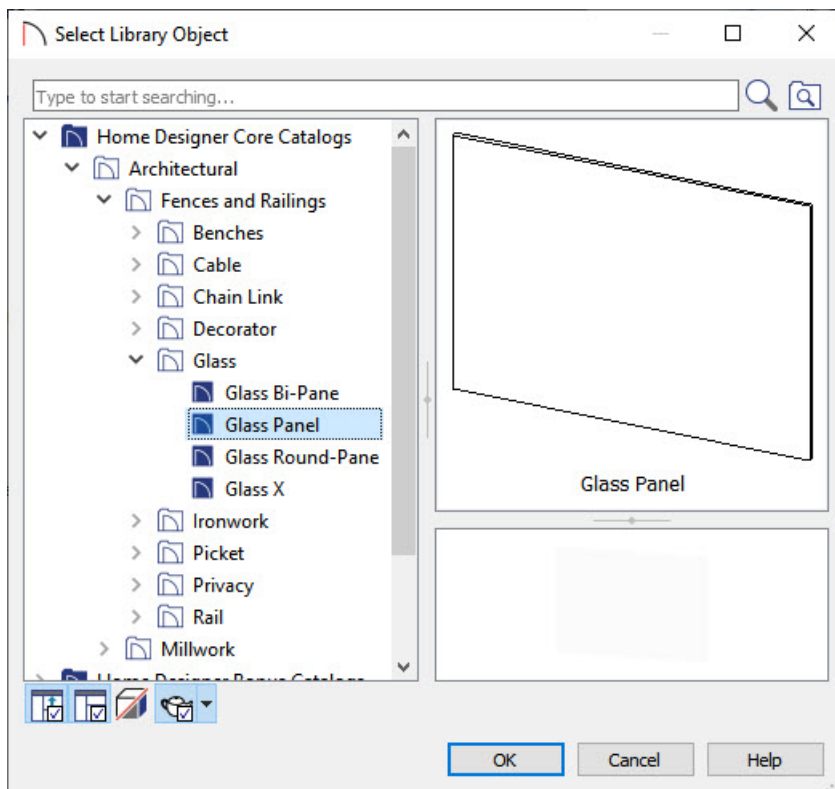
2. On the **RAIL STYLE** panel of the **Railing Specification** dialog that displays, select the **Panels** radio button.



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