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## Freestanding Guardrail System

Operation & Maintenance Manual



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# Specification

## Free Standing Edge Protection - System Specification



### **General Description**

Our freestanding edge protection system is a cantilevered guardrail system that does not require any mechanical fixing into the roof surface. This system has been designed and manufactured to fully comply with current H.S.E regulations.

### **Material**

The main and intermediate uprights are fabricated from 2mm hot dipped galvanised steel equivalent to BS EN ISO 1461, with the upper and lower cross rails manufactured from 1.5mm x 48.3mm external diameter galvanised steel.

The rubber counterweight is manufactured from 100% recycled PVC compound with the fixing screws manufactured from zinc-coated steel.

### **Safety Standards**

Our freestanding guardrail is designed in accordance with and/or tested to the following safety standards:

- HSG-33 Health and safety in roof work.
- HSE INDG 284 "Working on roofs".
- EN ISO 14122 Part 3.
- EN 13374-2013 Class A.
- BS 6399: Part 2 1995 Wind Code.

### **Test Procedure**

Our freestanding guardrail has been tested to EN ISO 13374-2013 Class A by Satra Technology Ltd

- All testing was carried out on a bituminous mineral roof felt and single ply membranes in both wet and dry conditions.
- All testing was carried out on a standard 5m run of guardrail.
- A 0.3kN load was applied to the top and middle rail at the end of a 5m run without moving more than 55mm at the base
- A 1.2kN load was applied to the top and middle rail between the uprights, the tube deflection did not exceed 300mm.
- The testing was carried out on four independent samples.



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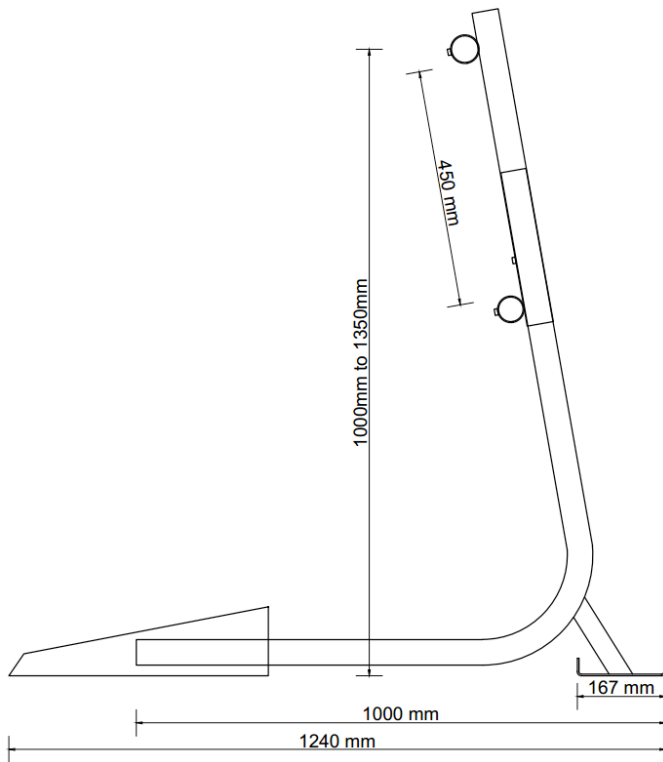
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### **MSUP - Main Support Upright**

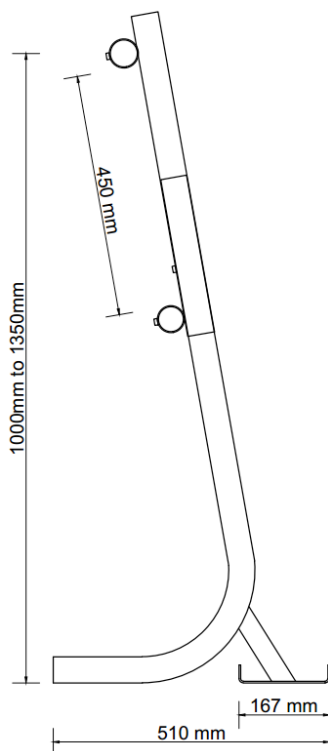
The main upright sits on the roof and has a 20kg counterbalance weight attached, and the adjustable top riser unit.

The foot of the upright which rests on the roof is protected by a rubber isolation pad. By loosening the fixing screws in the body of the top riser, the unit can be moved up and down the main upright to adjust the height of the top and middle rails or to raise and lower the main upright.

### **Materials**

The main upright is manufactured from 2mm x 48.30mm steel tube, which has a hot dipped galvanised coating. It is also available powder coated to any RAL colour.

**Please note:** The main upright shown here has a counterweight attached to help give the full dimensions when installed. The counterweight is sold separately.



### **ISUP - Intermediate Support Upright**

The intermediate upright is a shortened version of the main upright and is designed to be installed un-weighted as an intermediate support. Just as with the long upright, this component consists of two separate components but is delivered pre-assembled ready to install.

The intermediate upright also features the protective rubber pad to isolate the foot from the roof membrane.

### **Materials**

The intermediate upright is manufactured from 2mm x 48.30mm steel tube, which has a hot dipped galvanised coating. It is also available powder coated to any RAL colour.



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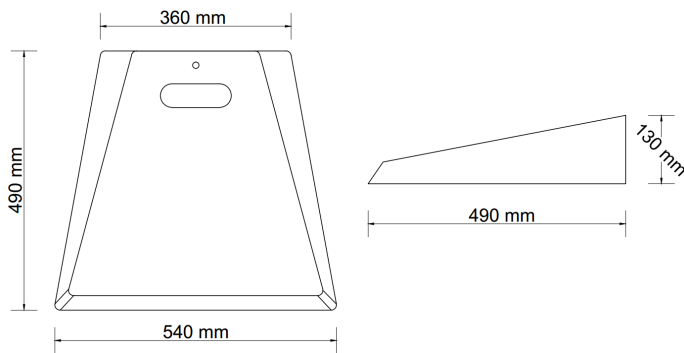
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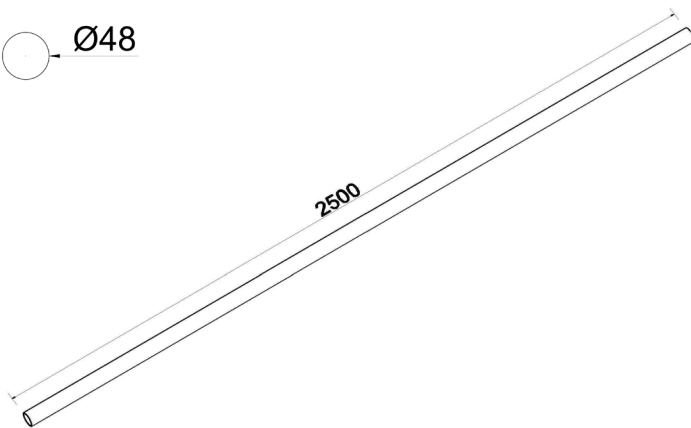
### **CW20 - 20kg Counterweight**

The weight is designed to be attached to each of the main uprights, and is fixed in place with a small zinc coated grub screw which provides the necessary counterbalance weight to prevent the system from being moved.

#### Materials

The 20kg weight is manufactured from 100% recycled PVC compound.

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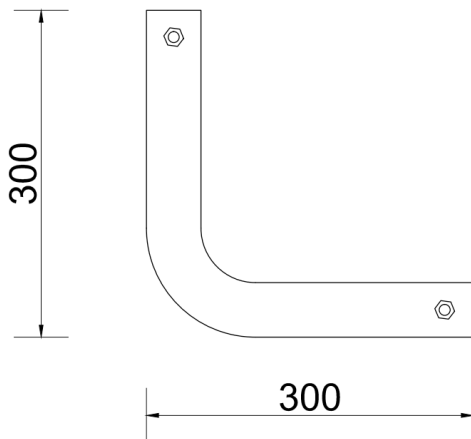
### **CR2.5 - 2.5m Cross Rail**

The main cross rail is supplied pre-cut to 2.50m in length for ease of installation. This fixed length means there is no need to measure or cut the tubes to ensure the uprights are spaced evenly.

#### Materials

The lightweight main rail is manufactured from 1.5mm light gauge steel making it easy to cut and transport. It is galvanised coated to BS EN ISO 1461 and is also available powder coated to any RAL colour.

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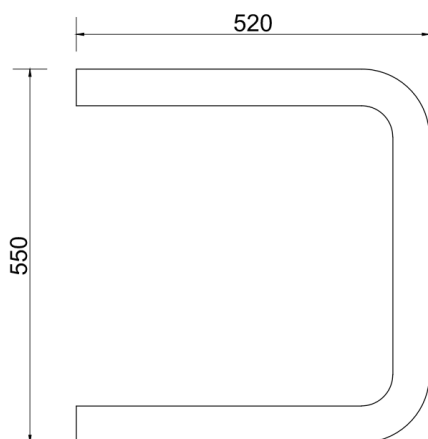
### **SC90 - 90° Swept Bend**

The SC90 is an ergonomically designed 90° swept bend. This flexible pre-formed component can be used for both horizontal and vertical bends. The fitting incorporates zinc coated grub screws for easy installation.

#### Materials

The swept bend is manufactured from 2mm x 48.30mm steel tube, which has a hot dipped galvanised coating. It is also available powder coated to any RAL colour.

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### **DE180 - D-End Termination**

The pre-formed 180° bend inserts into the top riser and is a quick and convenient way of terminating a run of guardrail. This flexible pre-formed component can be used for both horizontal and vertical terminations.

#### Materials

The 'D' end's are manufactured from 2mm steel and is galvanised coated equivalent to BS EN ISO 1461. These are also available powder coated to any RAL colour.



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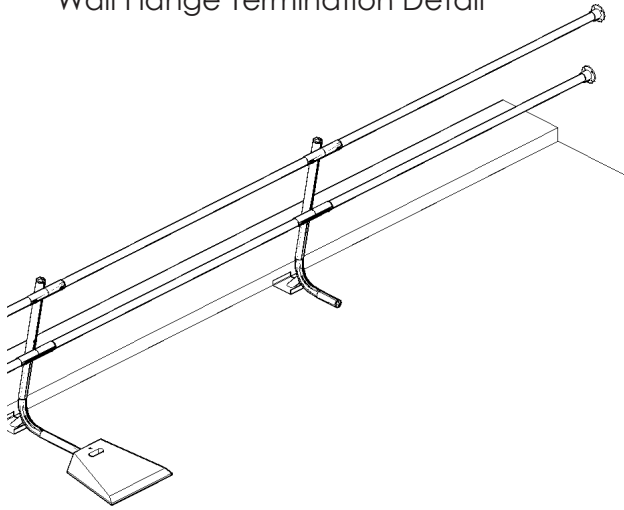
# Configuration

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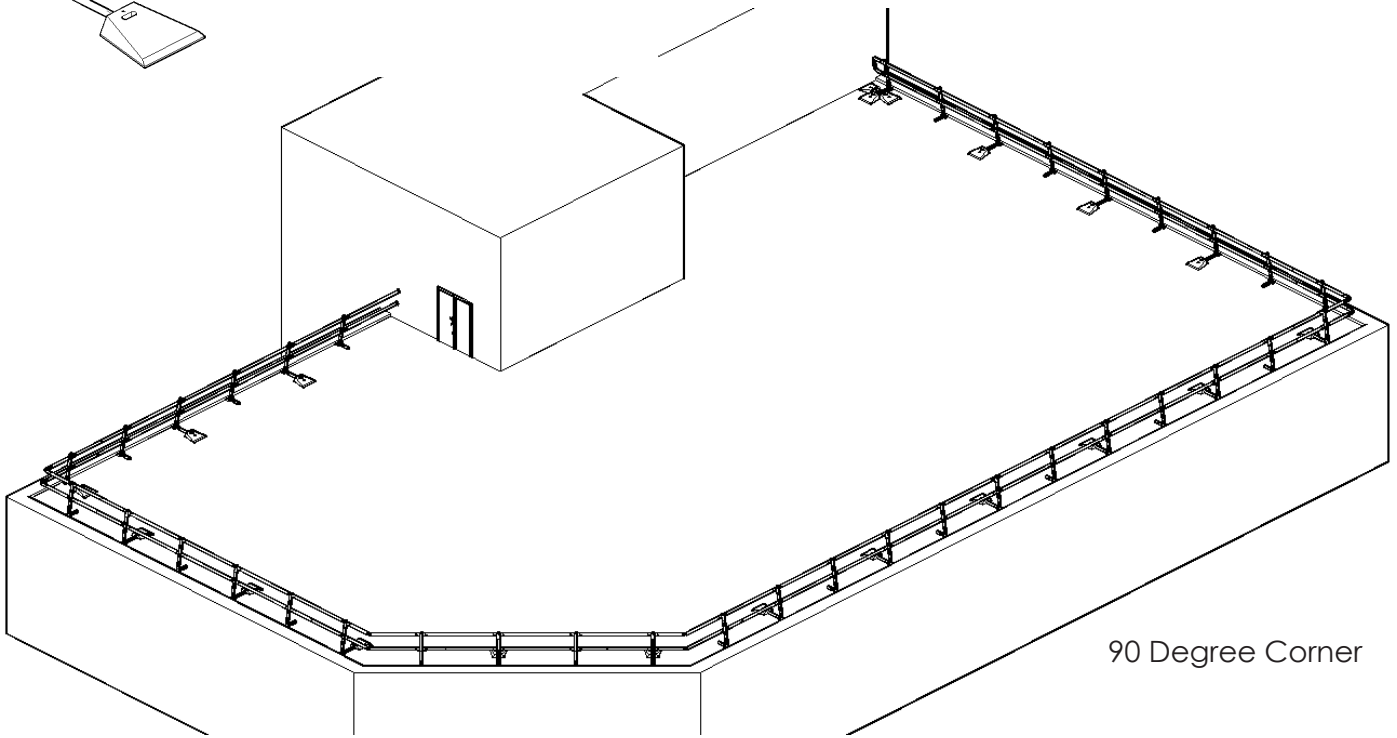
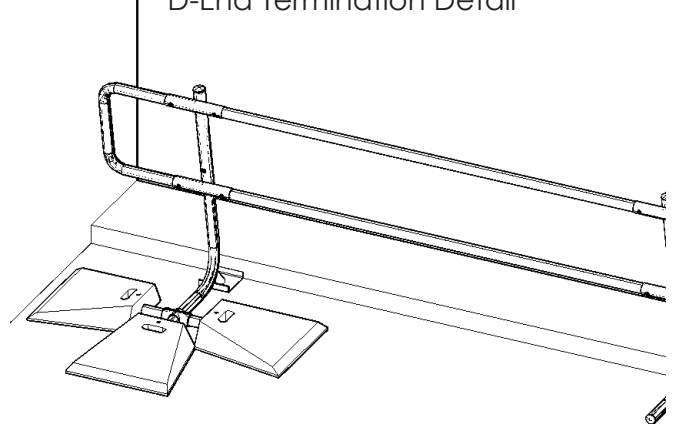
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## Typical Layout - PVC Single Ply Roof

Wall Flange Termination Detail

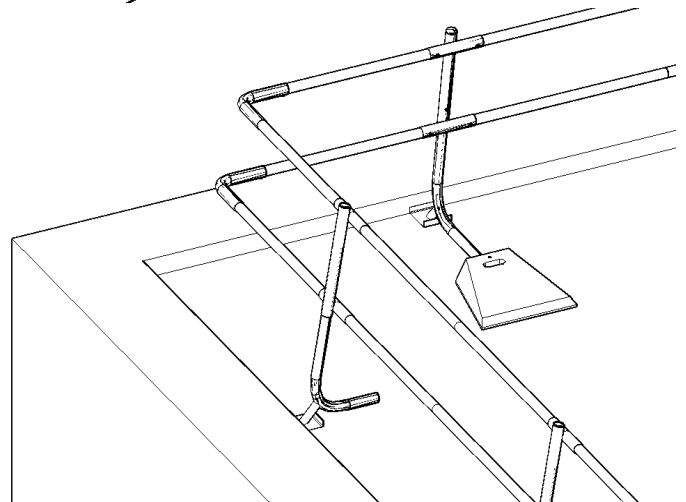
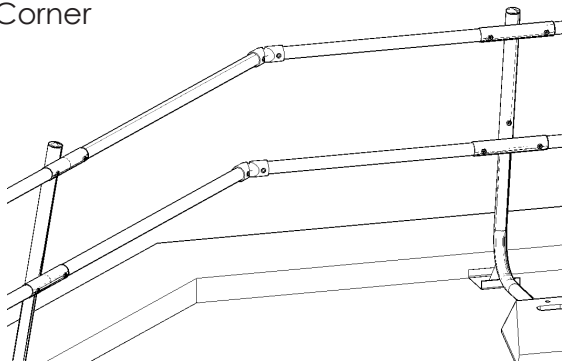


D-End Termination Detail



90 Degree Corner

Variable Corner



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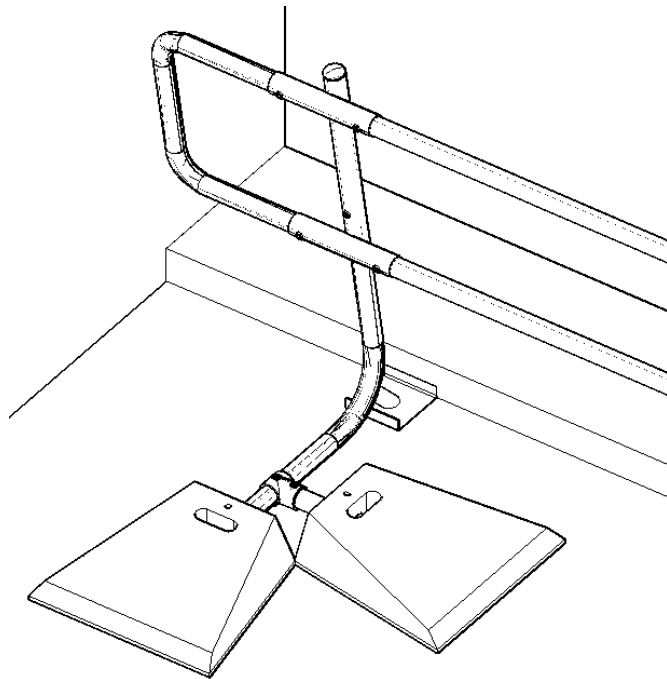
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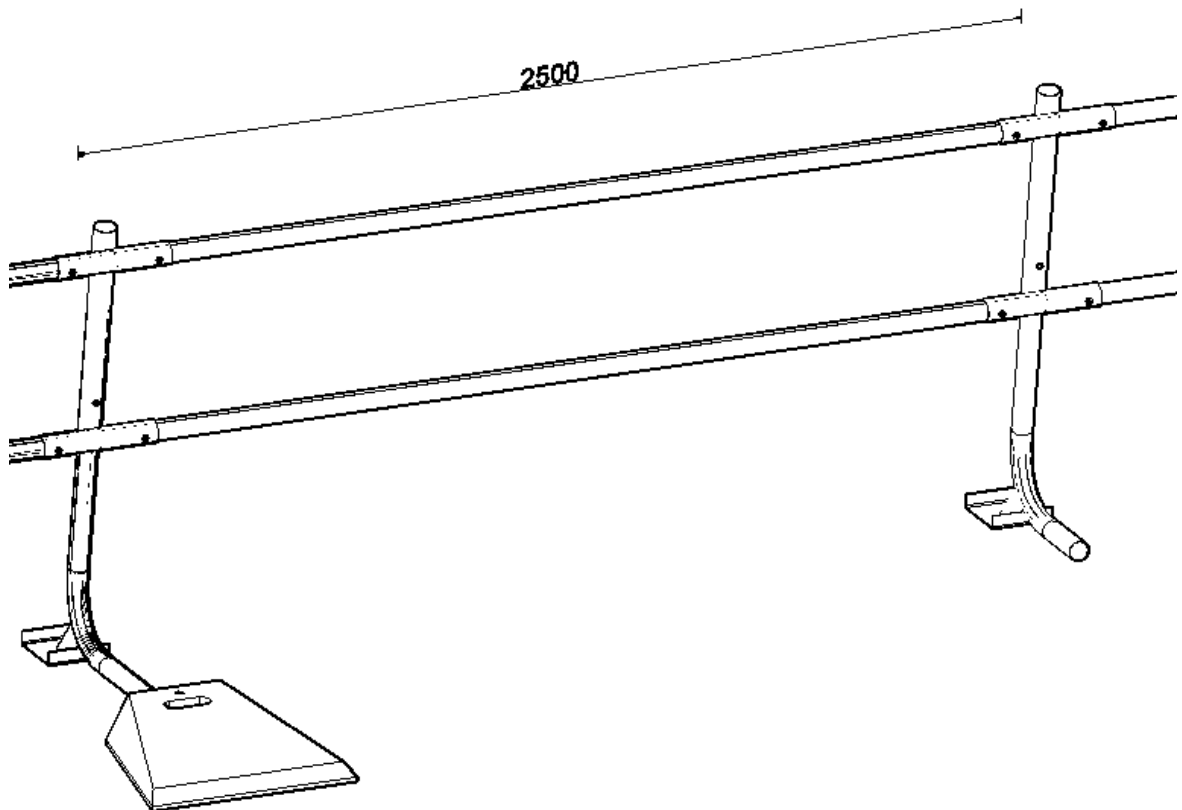
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### Typical Layout - Bituminous Membrane Roof

Installation of our Free Standing Edge Protection on a Bituminous Membrane roof only requires two weights at a D-End Termination (instead of the usual three required on a PVC Single Ply roof).



### In situ Dimensions



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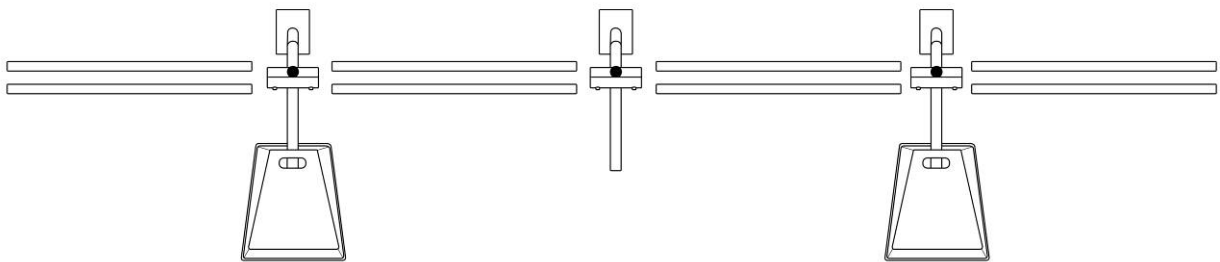
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Wherever possible the starting point for all installations should be the end termination, or at a corner for perimeter systems, remembering to carry out the initial setting out a minimum distance of 2m from the edge of the roof.

### **Step 1 - Setting out**

Starting at a termination if a straight run or a corner is a perimeter system, place the 2.5m CR2.5's end to end in pairs along the length of the roof. Then alternate an MSUP and an ISUP between each pair of CR2.5's.

Once the MSUP and ISUP's are in place connect a CW20 counterweight to each MSUP.

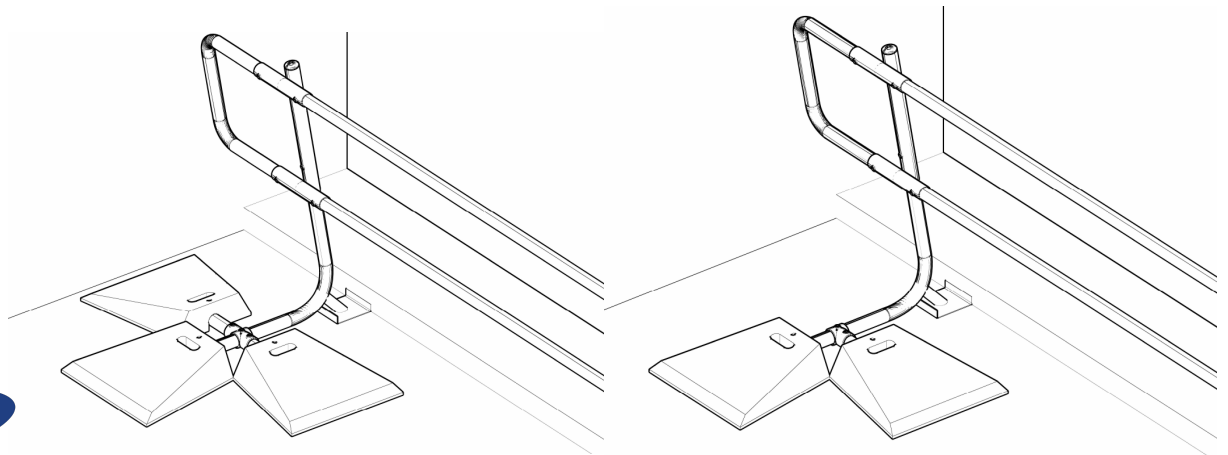
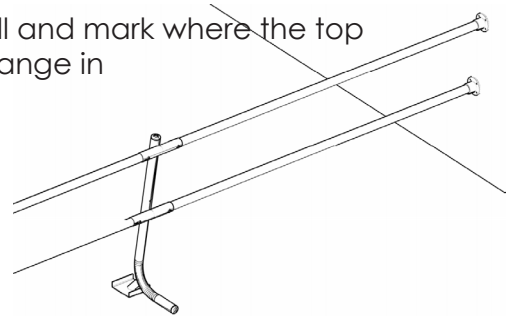


### **Step 2 - End Termination**

Once the setting out is complete, start by assembling the first end termination.

For a wall flange termination, place an ISUP against the wall and mark where the top and bottom tubes will finish. Then drill and attach the wall flange in the area marked. The first 2.5m tube and ISUP can now be assembled and attached.

For a D-End Termination, attach a D-End to an MSUP and then make sure you have the correct amount of 20kg Counterweights and components to weight the end correctly. If the system is being installed on a PVC Single Ply roof then the D-End Termination needs three weights. If the system is being installed on a Bituminous Membrane roof then the D-End Termination only requires two weights.



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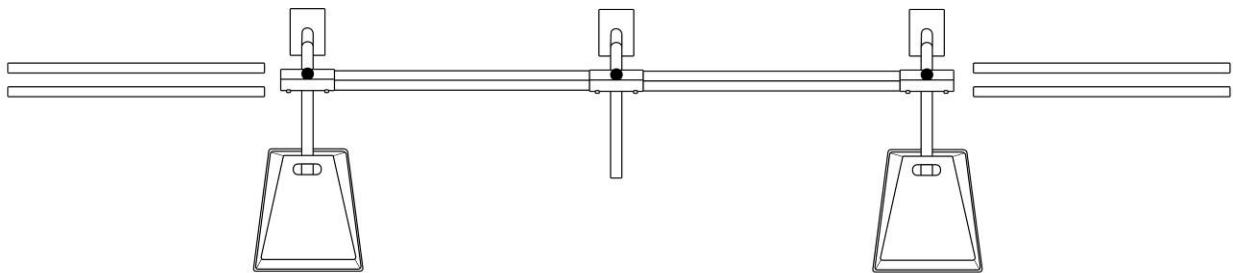
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### **Step 3 - Section Assembly**

Once the setting out and end terminations are complete, continue to assemble the first two bay section by connecting the second and third pair of CR2.5's to the first and second MSUP's and fully tighten the screws.

Join these two MSUP assemblies together using an ISUP. You now have a completed two bay section.

Repeat the above process until all the two bay sections are assembled.



### **Step 4 - Corner Assembly**

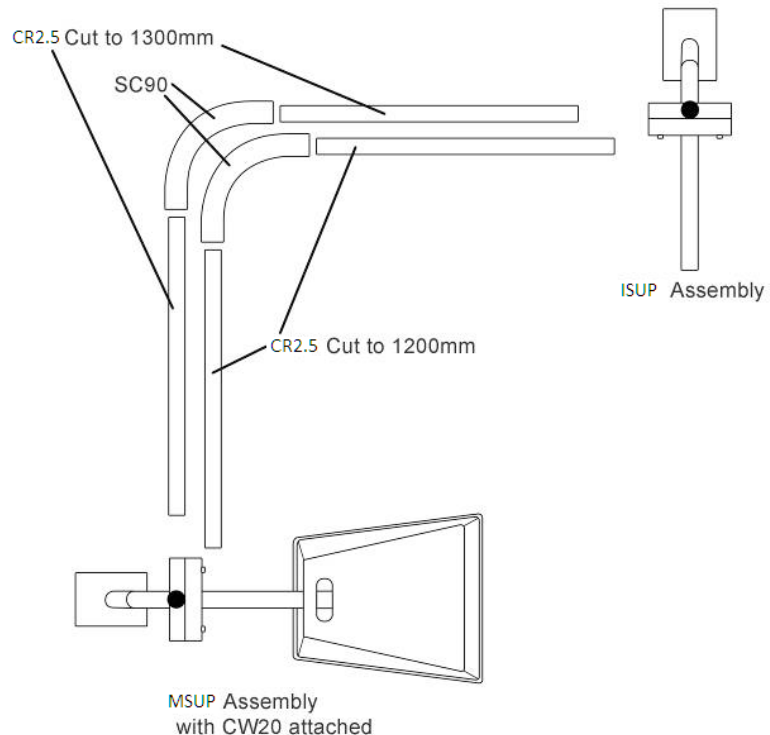
Begin by assembling a complete corner unit consisting of one MSUP, one ISUP, one CW20, two SC90 and two CR2.5's cut to length.

Cut two CR2.5's down to form two tubes at 1200mm and two at 1300mm.

Take the MSUP's and connect a CW20, insert one 1200mm tube into the top of the TRS, and one 1300mm tube into the bottom of the TRS, fully tightening the screws as you do so. Repeat the process for connecting the cut tubes to the ISUP.

Join the MSUP and ISUP assemblies using two SC90's ensuring that all the screws are fully tightened.

Using two people carry the corner assembly to the roof edge, being careful to remain behind the assembly at all times.



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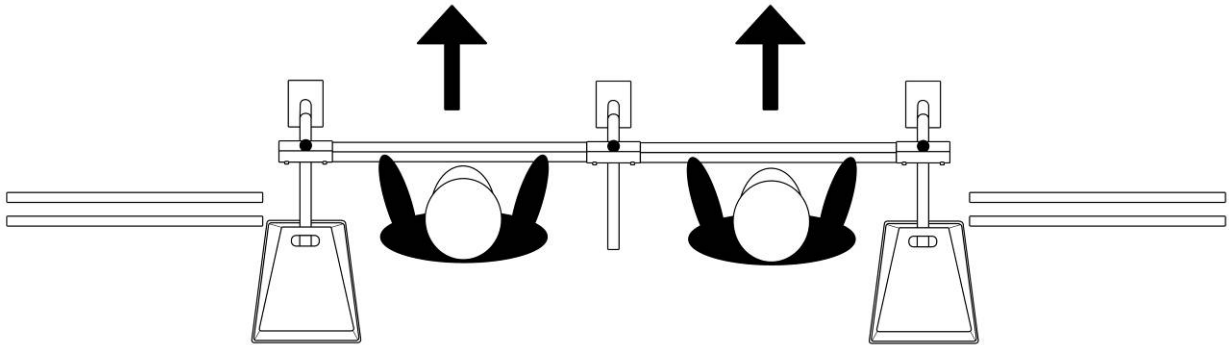
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### **Step 5 - Positioning**

Using at least two people positioned behind the assembly, carefully carry a two bay into position at the edge of the roof.

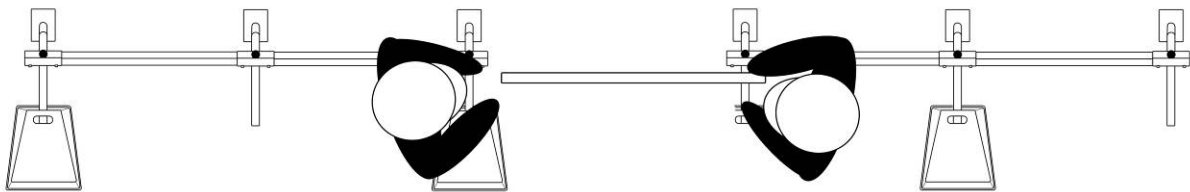
The two bay sections should be positioned leaving a single bay between each one.



### **Step 6 - Final Assembly**

The remaining 2.5m Cross Rails are now attached in between the two bay assemblies.

By placing one person either side of the opening behind the existing handrail assemblies, connect the remaining CR2.5's into the top and bottom of the TRS on each upright fully tightening the screws as you go.



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The system is maintenance free, however if cleaning is required, use only a mild detergent and water (such as a domestic washing up liquid) in order not to damage any of the galvanised coating.

# Re-Certification

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- We recommend that the guardrail installation should be inspected periodically by a competent person. The frequency of these inspections will depend upon the environment, location, and utilisation, but should be at least every twelve months.
- Visual inspection of the complete installation in accordance with the current needs of the client. Check if any new equipment has been installed on the roof that may require further guardrail protection.
- Check against the original installation drawing to see if any part of the installation has been modified.
- Check that all counterweights are installed.
- Check all screws and fixings are in place and sufficiently tightened.
- Check the height of the top rails and that they are level.



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