ORDER OF CONSTRUCTING A DECK:

(1) Pre-drill twelve deck boards (**fig. 3A**) using a template, based on the pattern on page 17.

(2) Pre-drill five or six holes in one D1 piece (**fig. 3B**), which will be placed to the rear of the deck (**fig. 4**).

(3) Carefully lay out the deck joists and end deck boards. Square-up the frame (**fig. 3C**) to ensure it is an accurate rectangle. Once it is square, fasten the end deck boards to the joist with 3" exterior deck screws.

(4) Finish laying out and fastening the remaining deck boards to the front and center joists, leaving even gaps between the boards (**fig. 3D**).

(5) Fasten the two leg pieces together with four 2¼" exterior deck screws. Make two legs. (See **fig. 5**)

(6) The final step is to apply an all-in-one stain and sealer for durability (**fig. 6**).

Your deck component is now complete!

Figure 3. Step-by-step pictures of the deck construction

Figure 4. Distance between the deck joists