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## Guest & Side Chairs

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### Q1. What makes a guest chair 'commercial grade'?

**A:** Commercial-grade guest chairs use contract-rated fabrics (100,000+ double rubs), steel or solid wood frames (not particleboard), weight ratings of 250+ lbs, and commercial warranties (5-year minimum). These specs ensure the chair holds up under daily use by multiple users.

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### Q2. How do I match guest chairs to my executive desk?

**A:** Coordinate the formality level, metal finish (chrome/matte black/brushed nickel), and color family. In a dark wood executive office, black or dark brown fabric chairs with chrome or matte black frames coordinate naturally. You don't need an exact match — just intentional coordination.

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### Q3. Sled base or four-leg for modern offices?

**A:** Sled base is the more common choice for contemporary offices — cleaner aesthetic, easy to move, works well in groups. Four-leg suits traditional settings and creates more visual substance. Both are practical; choice depends on the office aesthetic.

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### Q4. What's the minimum weight rating for guest chairs?

**A:** 250 lbs minimum for any guest chair expected to be used by the general public. For healthcare, government, or high-traffic commercial settings, look for 300–400 lb rated options that accommodate a broader range of users.

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### Q5. Can I mix different guest chair styles in the same space?

**A:** It can work intentionally — 'eclectic' is a legitimate design choice. But random mixing of different chairs looks more like an oversight than a choice. If you mix, coordinate by maintaining consistent metal finish, consistent upholstery color, or a consistent scale/proportion across the chairs.

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