

**BERMUDA STATUTORY INSTRUMENT**

**BUILDING AUTHORITY (ELEVATORS AND LIFTS)  
REGULATIONS 1962**

*[made under section 100 of the Board of Trade Act 1930 [repealed], brought into operation on 19 October 1939 under the title "The Board of Trade (Elevators and Lifts) Regulations, 1939" (which was altered to the present title by 1962:1) and in force by virtue of the Board of Trade Act 1930 [repealed] and the Building Authority Act 1962 [title 20 item 2] Schedule]*

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**Interpretation**

- 1 In these Regulations—

"amusement device" includes all mechanically operated devices which are used to convey persons in any direction as a form of amusement;

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"elevator" means any device working in a closed shaft which is used for carrying persons or things upwards or downwards;

"freight elevator" means any elevator designed and used for the carrying of things and of such persons only as are necessary for its safe operation or the handling of things carried by it;

"passenger elevator" means any elevator designed and used for carrying persons other than those necessary for its safe operation or the handling of things carried by it;

"portable lift" includes any device (other than a chain or rope block) used in connection with the erection, alteration or repairs to a building for the purpose of carrying persons or things upward or downward.

**Fitting of limit switches**

2 All elevators shall be fitted with limit switches of an approved type at the top and bottom of the elevator shaft.

**Fitting of safety devices**

3 (1) All elevators shall have guard rails fitted to prevent any person from walking under the elevator.

(2) Any gate or gates shall have safety lock switches so as to prevent the elevator from being operated while the gates are open.

(3) All passenger elevators shall be fitted with safety gear of approved type.

**Permit required before operating**

4 No elevator, amusement device or portable lift, shall be operated without a permit from the Building Authority.

**Contents of permit**

5 Permits for elevators and amusement devices shall state—

(a) the number of passengers or the load which the elevator or amusement device is licensed to carry;

(b) the last date on which the elevator or amusement device was inspected; and

(c) the duration of the permit.

**Permits for portable lifts**

6 (1) Permits for portable lifts shall state the maximum load which may be carried.

(2) Any such permit shall be temporary and be limited to three months, after which an extension may be obtained provided all equipment is still in good condition.

**Display of permits**

7 All permits shall be posted in the car of an elevator if applying to the elevator and in a conspicuous place if applying to a portable lift.

**Duty to apply for inspection**

8 It shall be the duty of the occupier of the premises on which any elevator is situated and the duty of the owner of any portable lift to apply to the Building Authority for an inspection of such elevator or portable lift and for the renewal of an expired permit.

**Issue of permit**

9 The Building Authority on being satisfied by the report of an officer duly appointed by the Building Authority, or otherwise, that the elevator or portable lift is in safe condition may direct a permit to be issued.

**Power of entry**

10 Any member of the Building Authority or an officer duly appointed by the Building Authority may, without the leave of the owner or occupier, enter upon any building or premises at all reasonable times for the purpose of ascertaining whether such building or premises contains an elevator or portable lift and, generally, for ascertaining whether these Regulations are being duly observed.

**Regulations do not apply unless element of public access**

11 These Regulations shall only apply to buildings, premises or amusement devices to which the public have access.

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[Amended by  
1962 : 1]