



Guidelines for Acceptance of New Elevator Technology or Systems in the Cayman Islands

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1. New Elevator Systems:

All elevators being installed in the Cayman Islands must be compliant to the currently adopted ASME A17.1 Safety Code for Elevators and Escalators and any other locally adopted codes. All new elevator technology or systems to the Cayman Islands require an application for acceptance indicating that it meets the requirements of the currently adopted ASME A17.1 Safety Code for Elevators and Escalators. This form can be found at www.planning.gov.ky by clicking on “Forms & Documents” beneath the section of Building Control Unit, located under the subheading “Elevator Documents”.

Applications must include, but not are limited to, the following:

- a. A complete equipment and system description.
- b. Operations and maintenance requirements.
- c. Inspection instructions and test requirements.
- d. Details of risk assessment and risk reduction methodology.
- e. Certification documents from third party approval agencies.

2. Approved Elevator Technology or Systems:

If a variance to the code is required, the following information shall be provided:

- a. Provide details using Elevator Variance Request Form.
- b. Describe areas where the equipment or system does not meet the relevant code sections.
- c. Assessment of the equipment and system to demonstrate that equivalency to the code is met according to section 1.2 of the currently adopted ASME A17.1 Safety Code for Elevators and Escalators.

3. Review Times:

Elevator applications are to be prepared and submitted by the Elevator Contractor to the Department of Planning. Please allow six to eight weeks from the date of submittal for the documents to be reviewed.

Please feel free to contact the Building Control Unit at Building.Control@gov.ky should you have any questions or concerns.