



2008 Oregon Elevator Specialty Code Adoption and Amendment Process

The Building Codes Division, in consultation with the Electrical and Elevator Board (“Board”), establishes the following timeline for the 2008 Oregon Elevator Specialty Code adoption and amendment process.

The current Oregon Elevator Specialty Code (OAR 918-400-0455 and 918-400-0458) is composed of: the **Belt Manlift Standard** published by the American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME), 2001 edition with revisions and interpretations through January 1, 2005; the **Oregon Specialty Lift Code**, 2005 edition, including Part 1, Vertical Reciprocating Lifts and Part 2, Portable Wheelchair Lift Code; the **Inspector’s Manual** published by ASME, 2001 edition, with revisions and interpretations published through July 1, 2002; the **Safety Code for Elevators and Escalators**, AMSE A17.1, 2004 edition, with published revisions and interpretations through January 1, 2005, the ASME A17.1a-2005 addenda to ASME A17.1 (2004 ed.), and the ASME A17.1S-2005 supplement to ASME A17.1 (2004 ed.); and the **Safety Standard for Platform Lifts and Stairway Chairlifts**, ASME A18.1, 2001 edition with published revisions and interpretations through January 1, 2005.

Timeline:

The division, in consultation with the board, has established April 23, 2008 through June 5, 2008 as the timeline for accepting proposed code amendments. No proposals will be accepted from interested parties after June 5, 2008. Any interested person may:

- Submit an amendment to the proposed base model code;
- Make recommendations to incorporate statewide code interpretations and alternate method rulings into the code, or to carry these forward to the newly adopted code; or
- Propose other code or construction standards.

Proposal Process:

All proposals must be submitted to the division in writing. The division has provided a form that includes the code amendment proposal criteria and which is available at:

<http://bcd.oregon.gov/pdf/2652.pdf>

New proposals, as well as all current Oregon amendments, will be reviewed by the Elevator Code Committee. The committee will make recommendations to the board concerning the adoption of proposed amendments and the revision, or carrying forward, of current amendments. The committee meetings will likely be scheduled for June, July, and August 2008.

The 2008 Oregon Elevator Specialty Code is scheduled to take effect on January 1, 2009.

Administrative rules regarding the code adoption process and amendment criteria are available through the “Statutes and Rules” link on BCD’s Web site: www.bcd.oregon.gov.

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