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Adoption of the CSA B355 Annex B maintenance requirements for Platform Lifts and Stair Lifts

Maintenance Control Program

On December 31, 2021, Nova Scotia adopted the CSA B355 Annex B as the maintenance requirements for platform lifts and stair lifts for barrier free access devices. The CSA B355 safety code directs the design, construction, inspection, and operation of lifts for persons with limited mobility. Annex B of this safety code outlines the recommended maintenance, the minimum maintenance schedule and required testing for these elevating devices.

In Nova Scotia, elevating device maintenance is a mandatory requirement for owners of elevator equipment. It was determined through equipment safety audits, that a comprehensive maintenance approach was needed to increase the safety of elevator equipment. After a public review and feedback period, CSA B355 Annex B was adopted.

Elevator Licence renewals

Licencing renewal requirements are now based on the completion of the annual testing. The condition report verifying mandatory testing will be submitted annually to Service Nova Scotia for each elevating device.

Responsibility of elevator device owners

Service agreements with registered elevator contractors must be inclusive of all applicable maintenance and testing requirements in Annex B.

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