WEST VIRGINIA CODE: §21-3C-2A

§21-3C-2a. Installation prohibited; exemptions; two-way communication required; key required.

(a) On and after July 1, 2007, no private residence elevator may be installed in a nonresidential setting.

(b) A private residence elevator installed in a nonresidential setting which was in use on July 1, 2007, may continue in use so long as the elevator:

(1) Meets the specifications as set forth in the American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME) Safety Code for Elevators and Escalators A17.1 5.3 "Safety Code for Elevators";

(2) Has a method of two-way communication between the car and each floor served by the elevator;

(3) Is operated automatically; and

(4) Is inspected annually by an inspector and is issued a certification of operation by the division.

(c) New residential elevators shall undergo an acceptance test performed by an inspector, and the inspector shall file a report of the test with the division.

(d) An elevator in a residential property shall be inspected by an inspector when the residential property is transferred, and the inspector shall file a report of the inspection with the division.

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