**Elevator Unit Placed Out of Service (decommissioning of a unit)**

**Below are the code requirements to place a unit out of service long term or permanently. The A17.1 section pertains to elevators/escalators/dumbwaiters/material lifts and the A18.1 section pertains to platform lifts and stairway chairlifts. Once the work has been completed the customer shall schedule a state inspector to visit the location to verify the work is per code. If so then the status with in our data base will be updated to reflect inactive/sealed and no further tests or inspections will be required. Note; it is up to the building owner to ensure that by placing a unit out of service (decommissioning) it does not violate the Americans with Disabilities Act as well as any other local, federal or state regulations or laws pertaining to accessibility.**

A171. Elevators/Escalators/Dumbwaiters/Material Lifts

**8.11.1.4 Installation Placed Out of Service.**

Periodic inspections and tests shall not be required when an

installation is placed “out of service”

*(a)* as defined by the authority having jurisdiction; or

*(b)* when an installation whose power feed lines have

been disconnected from the mainline disconnect

switch; and

*(1)* an electric elevator, dumbwaiter, or material lift

whose suspension ropes have been removed, whose car

and counterweight rest at the bottom of the hoistway,

and whose hoistway doors have been permanently barricaded

or sealed in the closed position on the hoistway side;

*(2)* a hydraulic elevator, dumbwaiter, or material

lift whose car rests at the bottom of the hoistway; when

provided with suspension ropes and counterweight, the

suspension ropes have been removed and the counterweight

rests at the bottom of the hoistway; whose pressure

piping has been disassembled and a section

removed from the premises and whose hoistway doors

are permanently barricaded or sealed in the closed position

on the hoistway side; or

*(3)* an escalator or moving walk whose entrances

have been permanently barricaded

A18.1 Platform Lifts and Stairway Chairlifts

10.1.6 Installation Placed Out of Service. When an installation is placed out of service (see para. 1.3,

Definitions), inspections and tests may be discontinued.

Before the installation is put back in service, it shall be

subject to all of the required routine and periodic tests

and inspections, including the 1-year, 3-year, and 5-

year tests.

Definitions 1.3

Installation, placed out of service:

an installation whose

power feed lines have been disconnected from the

machine disconnect switch.

Thanks,

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