

# NOTICE

## Elevators/Escalators Exposed to Fires

Fire conditions have resulted in severe damage to some buildings in Northern Alberta.

The Chief Administrator for Elevating Devices strongly recommends the owner of a building that has experienced excessive heat, fire, and/or water damage to the Elevator/Escalator hoistway, machine room or any equipment related to the operation of the Elevator/Escalator have an inspection performed by Elevator Personnel prior to public service.

Unforeseen equipment damage may occur as a result of these extreme conditions even though the Elevator/Escalator appears to be operating normally. The safety equipment in question needs to be inspected by a qualified person to ensure that it will perform when called upon.

Examples of Equipment that may be compromised by extreme heat, fire and water:

- Limit switches (pit)
- Buffers (pit)
- Governor Rope (hoistway)
- Travelers
- Compensation Equipment (pit)
- Hydraulic Equipment (machine room, pit)
- Basement Elevator Control Rooms
- Escalators (truss, pit)

The Building owner is responsible to take any precautions to ensure no person is exposed to undue risk from the operation of their equipment and report to Alberta Elevating Devices and Amusement Rides Safety Association (AEDARSA) if your device has been destroyed as a result of the fires. If you have questions regarding this notice or the safe operation of your elevating device, please contact AEDARSA 403-216-5750.

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For further information contact Municipal Affairs, Safety Services Branch  
toll-free at 1-866-421-6929.

