

**WAC 296-56-60131 Elevators and escalators.** (1) You must prohibit an elevator or escalator with a defect which affects safety from being used.

(2) You must make sure elevator safety devices shall not be overridden or made inoperable.

(3) You must thoroughly inspect elevators and escalators at intervals not exceeding one year. Additional monthly inspections for satisfactory operation must be conducted by designated persons. Records of the results of the latest annual elevator inspections must be posted in elevators. Records of annual escalator inspections must be posted in the vicinity of the escalator or be available at the terminal.

(4) You must make sure elevator landing openings are provided with doors, gates, or equivalent protection, which must be in place when the elevator is not at that landing, to prevent employees from falling into the shaft.

(5) You must post and make sure the elevator or escalator maximum load limits are not exceeded. Elevator load limits must be posted conspicuously both inside and outside of the car.

(6) You must make sure elevators are operated only by designated persons except for automatic or door interlocking elevators which provide full shaft door closing and automatic car leveling.

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