

**WAC 296-96-00500 Scope, purpose, and authority.** This chapter is authorized by chapter 70.87 RCW covering elevators, lifting devices, moving walks, and other conveyances. The purpose of this chapter is to:

(1) Provide for the safe design, installation, mechanical and electrical operation, maintenance, examinations, safety tests and inspection of conveyances, and the performance of conveyance work.

(2) Ensure that all such operation, design inspection, and conveyance work subject to the provisions of this chapter will be reasonably safe to persons and property and in conformity with the provisions of this chapter and the applicable statutes of the state of Washington.

(3) Establish and ensure compliance with the minimum standards for becoming a licensed elevator contractor and/or licensed elevator mechanic performing work on elevators or other conveyances covered by chapter 70.87 RCW and this chapter.

(4) In any case where the national standards codes adopted by reference in chapter 296-96 WAC conflict with the requirements of national standards adopted, this chapter supersedes.

(5) When no applicable standard exists to address subsections (1), (2), and (3) of this section the department will issue a ruling or interpretation that outlines the intent of this chapter.

(6) The exemption for lifts, hoists for persons, or material hoists under RCW 70.87.200 (1)(b) does not apply to construction personnel hoists covered under ANSI/ASSP A10.4 or material hoists covered under ANSI/ASSP A10.5.

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