- WAC 296-96-05040 Space below hoistway. If the space directly below the hoistway is accessible, the following requirements apply:
  - (1) All lift counterweights shall have safeties.
- (2) All cars and counterweights shall have either spring or oil buffers.
- (3) Spring buffers shall not fully compress when struck by a car carrying its rated load or by the counterweights when they are moving at the following speeds:
- (a) For safeties operated by a governor, the tripping speed of the governor is the maximum striking speed.
- (b) For safeties not operated by a governor, 125 percent of the rated speed is the maximum striking speed.
- (4) Car and counterweight-buffer supports shall be able to withstand any impact upon the buffer (without permanent deformation) while occurring at the following speeds:
- (a) For safeties operated by a governor, the tripping speed of the governor at the rated capacity is the maximum impact speed.
- (b) For safeties not operated by a governor, 125 percent of the rated speed is the maximum impact speed.

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