



# Municipality of Anchorage

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## Policy L.03

### Permitting Elevators in Private Residences

Installation of elevators in private residences is on the rise, possibly because of the increase in the number of large, extensive homes. Some residential elevators are being constructed and installed by individuals who are not qualified to do so. This results in an uncontrolled mechanical unit that could cause serious harm to occupants if there were a failure. This possibility could be minimized by proper permitting and inspection by the Building Safety Division.

The purpose of this policy is to require permits and inspections of new elevators in private residences constructed within the Anchorage Building Safety Service Area.

1. Elevators installed in private residences will require permits and acceptance inspections to insure that they meet the requirements of ANSI A 17.1, Part V and the National Electrical Code.
2. Elevator contractors are responsible for obtaining permits for the installation of elevators in private residences. Electrical contractors are responsible for obtaining electrical permits for elevator power.
3. MOA Inspectors will inspect the installation for compliance and final acceptance.
4. The MOA will not require or perform annual inspections on residential installations as it does on commercial installations. This should be by arrangement between homeowner and elevator contractor.

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