

Proposed Rule
of
Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development
Division of Boiler and Elevator Inspection

Chapter 0800-3-15
Fire Safety for Elevators

Presented herein is a proposed rule of the Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Division of Boiler and Elevator Inspection, submitted pursuant to T.C.A. § 4-5-202 in lieu of a rulemaking hearing. It is the intent of the Department of Labor and Workforce Development to promulgate this proposed rule without a rulemaking hearing unless a petition requesting such hearing is filed within thirty (30) days of the publication date of the issue of the Tennessee Administrative Register in which this proposed rule is published. Such petition to be effective must be filed in the Legal Division of the Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Andrew Johnson Tower, 2nd Floor, 710 James Robertson Parkway, Nashville, Tennessee 37243, and in the Administrative Procedures Division of the Department of State, William R. Snodgrass Tennessee Tower, 8th Floor, 312 8th Avenue North, Nashville, Tennessee, 37243-0310, and must be signed by twenty-five (25) persons who will be affected by the proposed rule or submitted by a municipality which will be affected by proposed rule, or an association of twenty-five (25) or more members, or any standing committee of the General Assembly.

For a copy of the proposed rule, contact Gary W. Cookston, Director, Division of Boiler and Elevator Inspection, Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Andrew Johnson Tower, 3rd Floor, 710 James Robertson Parkway, Nashville, Tennessee 37243-0663, telephone: (615) 532-1929.

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- (1) Each hospital, recuperation center, nursing home, residential hospice, home for the aged, residential HIV supportive living facility, assisted-care living facility or ambulatory surgical treatment center licensed under Title 68, Chapter 11 of the Tennessee Code Annotated, all student dormitories and other university housing with functioning elevators operating under the control of the Board of Trustees of the University of Tennessee and the Board of Regents, and each state-owned public building under the Department of General Service's control, including the state capitol and capitol annexes must ensure that an emergency keyed lock box is installed.
- (2) The general standards for the emergency keyed lock box shall be as follows:
 - (a) Dimensions – No larger than ten inches (10") high by six inches (6") wide by two inches (2") deep or smaller than nine inches (9") high by five inches (5") wide by one and three-eighths of an inch (1 3/8") deep;
 - (b) Color – Red;
 - (c) Door Cover – Brushed or mirrored finish, bronze or stainless steel;
 - (d) Letters – Three-eighths of an inch (3/8") high in black with the first line FIRE DEPARTMENT, the second line ELEVATOR AUTHORITY, and the third line USE ONLY; and

- (e) Universal Key – Gamewell 25460 which shall be provided by the vendors only to firefighters and state elevator inspectors.
- (3) The emergency keyed lock box shall be permanently surface mounted seventy-two inches (72") from the floor to the center of the box at each bank of elevators at the main egress of the building, shall be operable by a universal key no matter where such box is located within the state of Tennessee, and shall contain only fire service keys and drop keys to the appropriate elevators.

Authority: 2005 Tenn. Acts ch. 404.

The proposed rule set out herein was properly filed in the Department of State on the 12th day of October, 2005, and pursuant to the instructions set out above, and in the absence of the filing of an appropriate petition calling for a rulemaking hearing, will become effective on the 28th day of February, 2006.