



# CITY OF BUFFALO

## DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, PERMIT & INSPECTION SERVICES

Byron W. Brown, Mayor  
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Dear Concerned,

On January 1, 2003 all jurisdictions in New York State with the exception of New York City adopted a new building code. In doing so referenced standards used as part of the code have been upgraded as well. The 2004 edition {ASME, ANSI A17.1} of The Elevator and Escalator Safety Code is now the official standard used by all jurisdictions in New York State relative to elevator code enforcement. In an informational bulletin, New York State, Department of State, Codes Division officials notified all jurisdictions of a new elevator code requirement change. This change involves the frequency of elevator inspections. **These new NYS requirements now mandate semi-annual or six-month elevator inspection intervals** instead of the previously required annual or one-year elevator inspection.

**Effective June 1, 2003 semi-annual or six-month elevator inspections are required.** Any elevator / conveyance located in the City of Buffalo {excluding any private residence wheelchair lift} **shall be** inspected twice a year or once every six-months. Under no circumstance shall any inspection exceed a six-month interval. The City of Buffalo will notify property owners twice a year with a 60-day reminder notice to have all units inspected.

We apologize for any inconvenience caused, however please note, this is a NYS State mandate, not a City of Buffalo requirement. **If you would like to receive a copy of the NYS official informational bulletin mandating this change or have other related questions please contact:**

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Respectfully,

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