



Alberta Elevating Devices  
& Amusement Rides  
Safety Association

## Information Bulletin No. IB17-004

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### Subject: Barricading of Escalators during Inspection

**Issue:** What are the requirements escalator barricading requirements during an inspection by AEDARSA Safety Codes Officers?

### Background:

1. In December 2015, a new *Elevator Devices Codes Regulation AR 192/2015* was enacted adopting the Elevating Devices Codes Regulation ASME A17.1-2013/CSA B44-13.
2. The effective date of the regulation was March 1, 2016 for ASME A17.1-2013/CSA B44-13 Safety Code for Elevators and Escalators except for two sections of the code dealing with the Maintenance Control Plan (MCP) of existing elevating devices, which was delayed until September 1, 2017.
3. The effective date for ASME A17.1-2013/CSA B44-13 Section 8.6.11.6 with the start-up Escalators and Moving Walks is March 1. 2016

### Supporting documentation:

- **Code in effect:** ASME A 17.1-2013/B44-13
- **Code Requirements:** 8.6.11.6.1 Escalator and Moving Walks Start-up and Procedures
  - (a) Escalators and moving walks shall be started only by authorized personnel (see 1.3) trained in compliance with the procedures specified in 8.6.11.5.2 through 8.6.11.5.5.
  - (b) Stopped escalators shall not be used as a means of access or egress by non-authorized personnel and shall be properly barricaded if accessible to the public to prevent such use.

### Discussion:

1. All owners (authorized) and elevator personnel of escalator must follow the procedures.
2. All AEDARSA Safety Codes Officers must follow the above procedure when completing in-service inspections if they shut off an adjacent escalator when completing their inspection.
3. **Effective immediately** all AEDARSA Safety Codes Officers must inform owner's that barricades shall be placed at both the egress and access points of the escalator adjacent to the device being inspected if they chose to shut down that escalator.
4. No inspections shall take place until the non-operating escalator is properly barricaded

### Implementation:

- ALL AEDARSA SCO's must follow this information bulletin **IMMEDIATELY**
- Contact Dean McKernon for questions or comments on this document

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