



## **Elevator and Escalator Safety Matters!**

### **Promoting and Practicing Good Elevator and Escalator Safety**

Labor & Industries and the Elevator Advisory Committee are concerned with the increasing number of conveyance accidents and incidents within the state. Our data shows a trend of increasing accidents: fiscal year 2009 was 39; fiscal year 2010 was 53 and current fiscal year 2011 is 89. The Department and committee members want to encourage citizens, property owners with conveyances and elevator industry professionals to promote and practice good elevator and escalator safety.

### **The Elevator Escalator Safety Foundation (EESF) has a wealth of information for all ages!**

The EESF has four free programs available to the public: Safe-T Rider for children; A Safe Ride for seniors; Rise Up Safe Rider for college students and the public and the National Elevator Escalator Safety Awareness Week for the Public.

We encourage you to visit EESF's website [www.eesf.org](http://www.eesf.org) and explore the fun and educational tools and information available to ensure a safe and efficient ride for everyone!

### **What Does Labor & Industries do to Ensure Conveyance Safety?**

The Elevator Section performs safety inspections, and issues annual operating permits for elevators and other lifting devices throughout Washington State. We also review installation applications and inspect and approve upgrades to existing elevators. We do this to:

- Ensure public safety by performing annual safety inspections of elevators and other lifting devices.
- Establish safety standards that ensure elevators are a safe mode of transportation.
- Help owners of elevators and other lifting devices understand the rules and regulations that will allow them to maintain and operate their elevators safely.

### **Need more information?**

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