

ADVISORY COMMITTEE COMMENT FORM FOR PROPOSED CODE CHANGES

(This form must be submitted electronically)

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Proposed Code Change - Language

Please provide your proposed code change in strikeout/underline format. Provide the *specific* language you would like to see changed, with new words underlined and words to be deleted should be ~~stricken~~. Also, state whether the language contained in your proposal is from a code book or from an amendment currently found in Minnesota Rule. (You may provide the language (electronically) on a separate, attached sheet).

2.14.1.9.1

(a) Support rails (handrails) are permitted. When handrails are provided they should be located on all nonaccess walls. The top of the gripping surfaces of the handrails shall be at a height of 800 mm to 920 mm (31.5 in. to 36.2 in.), with a space of 35mm to 45 mm (1.4 in. to 1.8 in.) between the handrails and the wall. Handrail shall return to the cab enclosure with smooth radius transition.

Proposed Code Change – Need and Reason

Please provide a thorough explanation of the need for this change and why this proposed code change is a reasonable change. During the rulemaking process, the Agency must defend the need and reasonableness of all its proposed changes. The Agency must submit evidence that it has considered all aspects of the proposal. (You may provide the need and reason (electronically) on a separate attached sheet).

The proposed change is required since the code currently lacks enforcement with regard to handrails.

Proposed Code Change – Cost/Benefit Analysis

Please consider whether this proposed code change will increase/decrease costs or indicate that it will not have any cost implications and explain how it will not. If there is an increased cost, will this cost be offset somehow by a life safety or other benefit? If so, please explain. Are there any cost increases/decreases to enforce or comply with this proposed code change? If so, please

explain. (You may provide the cost/benefit analysis (electronically) on a separate, attached sheet).

In our opinion this is a life safety issue. When elevators are required to be part of an accessible exit route cab handrails should be required. The cost of handrails is minor when compared to the cost of a typical new elevator installation.

Other Factors to Consider Related to Proposed Code Change

1. Is this proposed code change meant to:

change language contained in a published code book? If so, list section(s).
Yes, 2.14.1.9 (a).

change language contained in an existing amendment in Minnesota Rule? If so, list Rule part(s).
No, this is not in current 1307.

delete language contained in a published code book? If so, list section(s).
No.

delete language contained in an existing amendment in Minnesota Rule? If so, list Rule part(s).
No.

neither; this language will be new language, not found in the code book or in *Minnesota Rule 1307.*

2. Is this proposed code change required by a Minnesota Statute or new legislation? If so, please provide the citation to the Statute or legislation.
Not that we are aware.

3. Will this proposed code change impact other sections of a published code book or of an amendment in Minnesota Rule? If so, please list the affected sections or rule parts.
Not that we are aware.

4. Will this proposed code change impact other parts of the Minnesota State Building Code? If so, please list the affected parts of the Minnesota State Building Code.
Not that we are aware.

5. Who are the parties affected or segments of industry affected by this proposed code change?
Elevator contractors and owners are affected with regard to cost. Disabled individuals will benefit from this proposed change.

6. Can you think of other means or methods to achieve the purpose of the proposed code change? If so, please explain what they are and why your proposed change is the preferred method or means to achieve the desired result.
No

7. Are you aware of any federal requirement or regulation related to this proposed code change? If so, please list the regulation or requirement.
No