

Updates to ANSI/ASME A18.1-2005

1. A vertical wheelchair lift may travel up to 14'. This is an increase of two feet from the old code.
2. Keys are not required on wheelchair lifts.
3. Upper landing gates with code compliant interlocks are required on a lifts.
4. A Vertical wheelchair lift can travel up to 60" without an enclosure as long as the platform has a safety pan.
5. Incline wheelchair lifts must have 80" of headroom throughout the entire length of travel. If you do not have 80" there needs to be specific signage.
6. All Incline wheelchair lifts require a fold down seat and seat belt.
7. If there is a sprinkler in the shaft-way the inspectors recommend a shunt trip breaker. At a bare minimum we will require the lift be on a GFCI breaker.

Subtle changes to the code happen all the time; these are just a few of the latest changes. If you have any questions about these or any other A 18.1 code changes, please [contact us](#).

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