Residential Elevator Design Guide

ASME A17.1, Section 5.3
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About Symmetry Elevating Solutions

Symmetry is a beautifully crafted, expertly engineered accessibility-related product line proudly made in the U.S.A. at the Bella Elevator LLC manufacturing plant. Promoted and sold by our exclusive nationwide network of carefully selected Symmetry partners and associates, Symmetry offers residential elevators, vertical platform lifts (VPL) and limited use/limited application (LU/LA) elevators.

Strictly following national code guidelines and adhering to local jurisdiction requirements and variances, Symmetry products are ADA and ASME compliant and manufactured to meet the end users’ specific needs. Symmetry Elevating Solutions representatives possess a wealth of knowledge and experience and are committed to excellence for the life of the product—before, during and after project completion.

With dealer locations spanning North America, we are equipped to meet the accessibility needs of a wide spectrum of clients, from home and business owners, to schools, municipalities and other governmental entities.

Please note that this guide is for planning purposes only, applies exclusively to national code, and should not be used for construction. Prior to construction, please contact your local Symmetry Elevating Solutions representative and request a job-specific set of elevator plans to ensure that you obtain the accurate dimensions and requirements for your project.

Your representative will also assist you to identify resources to ensure that your project plans will comply with the applicable state and local codes and the permitting authorities.
Residential Elevator Safety
as mandated by national code

Securing the space between the hoistway door and the car gate/door

Depending on the version of code that is enforced in your local jurisdiction, the hoistway door and car gate/door space requirements differ.

If your jurisdiction enforces ASME A17.1 [year 2013 & prior] Elevator and Escalator Safety Code, the rule was referred to as the 3” x 5” rule and is depicted in the image below, on the left.

In 2016, the ASME A17.1 code was revised, with the new ¾” x 4” rule being adopted. The requirements for A17.1 [year 2016] are depicted in the image below, on the right.

This rule was amended after it was determined that utilizing a standard residential hoistway door, installed under ASME A17.1 [year 2013 & prior], allows a space between the hoistway door and car gate/door large enough for a child to hide, thus subjecting the child to a potentially unsafe scenario, which could result in serious injury if said space is not protected by some other means.

NOTE: Symmetry residential elevators have added security features that protect this space.

All Symmetry residential elevators are provided with a standard, enhanced gate switch bypass monitor that continuously monitors the elevator control system to detect a scenario where someone may enter the space between the hoistway and the car, without ever entering the car. The enhanced gate switch bypass monitor will keep the elevator from leaving the landing should it detect the aforementioned event.

Additionally, should you live in a jurisdiction that still enforces the ASME A17.1 [year 2013 & prior] code, your elevator will also be equipped with a light curtain that projects a crisscross pattern of 94 infra-red beams to keep the elevator from leaving the landing should an obstruction be detected.

Your safety is our number one priority. Thus, rest assured that regardless of the version of Elevator and Escalator Safety Code that is enforced in your jurisdiction, your Symmetry residential elevator safely protects the space between the hoistway door and car gate/door.

Please consult your local Symmetry Elevating Solutions representative regarding door and hoistway safety code recommendations.
Inline Gear Drive System

Standard Features
- Overhead minimum of 8’0” (96 inches) with remote controller; minimum of 9’0” with controller in hoistway with a 7’0” interior car height

Equipment
- 208/230 VAC, 60 Hz, 20 amp, single-phase power supply for motor controller
- Two #60 roller chains (9,920 lbs. breaking strength)
- Inverter-controlled variable speed Inline Gear Drive unit with counterweight
- 2 HP motor
- Manual lowering device

Safety Features
- Slack chain safety device
- Two upper and one lower final limit
- Machine stop switch

Hydraulic Drive System

Standard Features
- Overhead minimum of 7’10” (94 inches) with a 7’0” interior car height

Equipment
- 208/230 VAC, 60 Hz, 30 amp, single-phase power supply for motor controller
- Two ¾” 7 x 19 galvanized aircraft cables (14,400 lbs. breaking strength) with wedge rope shackles
- 80 mm diameter piston/102 mm diameter cylinder including ¾” reducer bushing
- 3 HP submersed motor with 2-speed valve assembly
- Manual down valve for emergency lowering

Safety Features
- Slack rope safety device
- Line rupture valve

Winding Drum Drive System

Standard Features
- Overhead minimum of 7’10” (94 inches) with a 7’0” interior car height

Equipment
- 208/230 VAC, 60 Hz, 30 amp, single-phase power supply for motor controller
- Two ¾” 7 x 19 galvanized aircraft cables (14,400 lbs. breaking strength) with wedge rope shackles
- Inverter-controlled variable speed Winding Drum Drive unit and 3 HP motor
- Manual lowering device

Safety Features
- Slack rope safety device
- Two upper and one lower final limits
Common Specifications
For residential elevators

Standard Features
• Travel: maximum of 50’0’’ (minimum 12 inches between stops)
• Speed: 40 fpm
• Rated capacity: 1,000 lbs.
• Pit depth: 6’ minimum (8 inches preferred)
• Two stops
• Single opening
• Three-year limited parts warranty

Safety Features
• Motor controller supply disconnects (located in controller)
• Car light supply disconnects (located in controller)
• Pit stop switch
• Car-top stop switch
• In-car emergency stop switch and alarm
• Safety switch for car gate(s)
• Battery backup emergency car lights and alarm
• Electromechanical hoistway door interlocks (doors by others)
• Light curtain monitoring the car entrance†

Controls
• Programmable Logic Controller (PLC)
• Non-selective collective automatic operation
• S.M.A.R.T. system (Self-Monitoring Alert Response Technology)*
• Car Operating Panel (COP) with LED floor position indicator§
• Recessed phone box (phone jack included)§
• Hall stations with call button and LED floor position indicator§
• Automatic car lighting
• Single floor designated car homing
• Uninterruptible Power Supply (UPS) for car lowering and automatic car gate/door operation (if provided) in the event of a power failure*

Car Features
• Car size up to 15 square feet
• 7’0’’ interior car height
• Birch, Oak or Maple flat veneer interior walls with flat ceiling*
• Matching wood handrail
• Matching wood car sill
• Unfinished plywood floor with sill set for ¾” (flooring by others)
• Two energy-saving recessed LED lights with Black trim rings
• 7’0’’ vinyl laminate accordion door (Light Oak, Dark Oak, Birch, White, Chalk or Antique White)

Equipment
• Modular 6¼ lb. T-rail structure
• Car frame assembly
• Power supply for motor controller (see each drive for specifics)
• 120 VAC, 60 Hz, 15 amp, single-phase power supply
• Code-compliant electrical disconnects included*

Optional Features
• Up to six stops
• Single automatic push-button operation
• Custom car size up to 18 square feet**
• Custom car heights
• Shaker or Recessed panel car with flat ceiling
• Shaker, Recessed or Raised panel car with matching ceiling
• Four recessed LED lights with Black, Polished Brass, Brushed Nickel or Bronze trim rings
• Factory-finished car
• Polished Stainless Steel, Polished or Brushed Brass, Black, Vintage Bronze and Oil-Rubbed Brass fixtures (including COPs, phone boxes, hall calls and handrails)
• COP with integrated keypad phone
• Custom wood interiors
• Custom factory finish, Distressed*
• "Green" material alternatives and finishes for car interiors*
• ¾” finished or unfinished installed hardwood car flooring
• Factory flooring insert for ¼” flooring by others
• Buffer springs (require minimum of 8¼ inch pit depth)
• Key switch for COP and/or hall stations
• Rated capacity: 750 lbs.

Car Gate/Door Options
• Symmetry Safety 3-Panel car door
• Two and three speed car door or car and landing doors
• Wrap around car door‡
• Enterprise collapsible gate
• Hardwood veneer accordion door
• Clear acrylic panel accordion door
• Automatic car gate/door operator (not available on the Enterprise collapsible gate)

NOTE: Accordion doors will have Bronze hardware except on White, Chalk or Antique White doors. Acrylic accordion doors will have Clear hardware when Stainless Steel or Black fixtures are provided.

* Denotes exclusive features
** May require approval from the local authority having jurisdiction
† Depends upon the package ordered
‡ Availability depends on the code year
§ Standard finish is Brushed Stainless Steel, but multiple finishes available
Symmetry Safety 3-Panel Car Door

Our exclusive Symmetry Safety 3-Panel Door is one of the safest residential elevator car doors on the market. Panels shown in Black with vision panel, Brushed Stainless Steel and Vintage Bronze.

Standard Features
- Manual Car Door Operation: The trailing panel of the car door measures 2” from edge of the car sill and is restricted to a maximum hoistway door setback of 1¾” under the 3” x 5” rule; designed to fit within requirements of the ¾” x 4” rule, with maximum running clearance and maximum hoistway door setback of ¾”
- Height of Opening: 7’0”
- Car Door Opening: 33” clear opening (fits in a “typical” hoistway with a 36”-wide car)
- Standard finish is Black

Options
- Light Curtain: Standard as secondary protective device if unit installed under the 3” x 5” rule; optional if installed under the ¾” x 4” rule
- Power Car Door Operation: The leading panel of the car doors measures ½” from the edge of the car sill and is restricted to a maximum hoistway door setback of 2¾” under the 3” x 5” rule; designed to fit within the requirements of the ¾” x 4” rule with the maximum hoistway door setback of ¾”
- Height of Opening: 7’11”; custom heights available
- Car Door Opening: 36” clear opening (fits in a “typical” hoistway with a 40”-wide car)
- Vision Panels: Available with Clear or Smoked acrylic
- Available in Stainless Steel or powder-coated steel

Enterprise Collapsible Gate

The Enterprise Collapsible Gate is always designed and manufactured to comply with current codes. Shown in Black.

Standard Features
- Nylon “Quiet Glide” wheels for smooth operation when opening and closing gate
- Low profile handles
- Rejects a ball 3” in diameter
- Every third vertical member guided at the top
- Every vertical member guided at the bottom
- Standard finish is Black

Options
- Light Curtain: Standard as a secondary protective device if installed under the 3” x 5” rule; optional if installed under the ¾” x 4” rule
- Available in Solid Brass (brushed or polished), Stainless Steel (brushed or polished) or powder-coated steel
- Selection of attractive standard and premium finishes available; custom colors also available upon request
- 75D Option is available to meet the deflection requirements of ASME A17.1 2016
- Available configurations include Classic, Pearl and Diamond and Pearl

NOTE: Brass is not available with the 75D option
The Accordion Door is one of our most popular door choices. Shown in Antique White with Vision Panels.

**Standard Features**
- Laminate panels in Light Oak, Dark Oak, Birch, White, Antique White or Chalk
- Height of Opening: From 6’8” up to 7’11”
- Vinyl hinging (ASME A17.1 2013 and prior)

**Options**
- Light Curtain: Standard as a secondary protective device if installed under the 3” x 5” rule; optional if installed under the ¾” x 4” rule
- Mechanical hinging (ASME A17.1 2013 and prior)
- Locking hinging is available to meet the deflection requirements of ASME A17.1 2016. (This allows for ¼” maximum hoistway door setback)
- Vision Panels available with Clear or Smoked acrylic
- Additional Panel Options:
  - Laminate panels in Cherry, Walnut or Black
  - Unfinished or finished matching hardwood veneer
  - Clear or Smoked acrylic
  - Solid or perforated aluminum

Automatic commercial-style doors optimize ease of use for passengers. Car door only or car and landing door packages available. Three Speed Car Door shown in Brushed Stainless Steel.

**Standard Features**
- Light Curtain
- Power-operated
- Clear Openings: 31½", 35½” or 36”
- Clear Heights: 78¼", 84¼” or 94½”
- Standard finish is Beige

**Overhead Requirements**
- Two Speed Doors
  - Car and landing doors: 98”
  - Car door only: 97”
- Three Speed Doors
  - Car and landing doors/car door only: 101”

**Options**
- Framed Glass Panels: Available with clear safety glass; not currently offered on hoistway doors; standard finish for framed glass panels is Black
- Available in Brushed Stainless or powder-coated steel
Flush Door and/or Frame

Notes:
1) The door/frame is suitable for installation in masonry or wood frame construction.
2) The door/frame is installed with the door flush to the inside of the hoistway.
3) The interior hoistway wall should be finished up to the rough opening.
4) Available as a frame only or complete door with frame.

*Hinges provided only with complete door package
Typical Hoistway Configurations

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Single Opening
Rail Left, Right-Hand Door (shown)
Rail Right, Left-Hand Door (opposite)

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Please note that Winding Drum Drives with greater than 30' of travel require 2 x 12's in lieu of the 2 x 10's and the centerline spacing increases from 10" to 12".

Installing ½" plywood behind the drywall will improve the sound deadening and strengthen the hoistway.

The specified loads are based on the worst case load condition of 1,000 lb. capacity, 925 lb. car and frame weight and a 60" cantilever car.

The assumptions made relative to the standard backing arrangement are a maximum span of 10', a minimum wood modulus of elasticity of 1.95 x 10^6 psi (Douglas Fir) and stiffening factor from the elevator’s rail structure based on the bracket spacing.

If the backer span exceeds 10' or if the backing construction and/or materials are not as specified, please consult a structural engineer.
Hoistway

Construction outline

Rail Backing & General Hoistway
- Provide adequate rail backing per drawings. For vertical spans between floor systems that exceed 10’0”, please consult a structural engineer. The wall must be capable of supporting the static roller/rail loads without deflecting more than 1/8”.
- The hoistway must be constructed square and plumb within 1/8” tolerance throughout.
- The hoistway must be free of any obstructions not related to the operation of the elevator. (i.e. sprinklers, pipes, ducts, etc.)
- The structure of the hoistway must allow for installation of a chain hoist to transfer materials during installation.
- Provide hoistway doors that are a minimum of 3’0” x 6’8” and solid core construction.

Pit Floor
- Provide a pit floor at a minimum of 6” [8” preferred] from the top of the finished floor to the highest point in the pit. (Note: Three speed car and landing doors require a minimum 8” pit depth.)
- Provide a pit floor capable of withstanding the impact load of 6,766 lbs. and the static load of 3,840 lbs.

Overhead
- Inline Gear Drive
  - Provide a minimum overhead of 8’0” for a 7’0” interior car height with a remote mounted controller.
  - Provide a minimum overhead of 9’0” for a 7’0” interior car height with an in-the-shaft controller.
- Hydraulic or Winding Drum Drive
  - Provide a minimum overhead of 7’10” for a 7’0” interior car height.
  - If a Shaker, Recessed or Raised panel ceiling is used, an additional half-inch of overhead is required.

Drive-Specific Items
- Inline Gear Drive
  - Provide a minimum 8” x 8” access hatch at or near the top of the hoistway for manual lowering. [See Access Hatch Detail on page 17.]
- Winding Drum Drive
  - Provide a framed window between the machine room and the hoistway for passing of the suspension means. [See page 19.]

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Your representative will also assist you to identify resources to ensure that your project plans will comply with the applicable state and local codes and the permitting authorities.
**Notes:**

1. The minimum overhead clearance as measured from the top of the upper landing sill to the bottom of the shaft ceiling is 8’0” for a standard 7’0” car.
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*Feeding breaker must not be a G.F.I.
**The control space temperature must be maintained between 32°F and 80°F.
MRL Controller

Motor Controller Disconnect (Fusible and Lockable)
Car Light Disconnect (Fusible and Lockable)
230 VAC, 20 amp, Single-Phase [3-Wire Dedicated Circuit]*
115 VAC, 15 amp, Single-Phase (Dedicated Circuit)*
Plastic-Coated Service Light with Guard
Telephone Service for Elevator
Machine Stop Switch
Service Light Switch
115 VAC G.F.I Duplex Receptacle
Manual Break Release
Manual Lowering Access
Drive Unit
Door Interlock
Hoistway Door
Travel Cable
Rail Structure

Notes:
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Access Hatch Detail

Access Hatch (Self-Closing) 4¼’ from Rail Wall

Car Height
6½’ 7’0” 8’0” 9½’
Dim to Door
8’1½” 10’2½” 10’9½”
Standard Machine Room

Hydraulic Line & Electrical to Hoistway

Motor Controller

Hydraulic Power Unit

Light Switch & Duplex Receptacle

Light

Motor Controller Disconnect
[Fusible and Lockable]

Car Light Disconnect
[Fusible and Lockable]

230 VAC, 30 amp, Single-Phase
[3-Wire Dedicated Circuit]*

115 VAC, 15 amp, Single-Phase
[Dedicated Circuit]*

Telephone Service for Elevator

Compact Machine Room

Hydraulic Line & Electrical to Hoistway

1/2" – 3/4" Plywood Backing Behind Drywall

Motor Controller

Hydraulic Power Unit

Light Switch & Duplex Receptacle

Light

Motor Controller Disconnect
(Fusible and Lockable)

Car Light Disconnect
(Fusible and Lockable)

230 VAC, 30 amp, Single-Phase
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Telephone Service for Elevator

Notes:

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2) 30" wide x 36" deep clear working space in front of the motor controller as required by National Electrical Code (NFPA 70).

3) The light switch must be located on the strike side of the machine room door.

4) The hydraulic power unit must be located within 40'-0" of the cylinder.

5) The machine room must be free of all equipment not related to the elevator.

6) The machine/control room temperature must be maintained between 50°F and 80°F.

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**Winding Drum Drive**

**Machine room**

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**Machine Room**

The area where the drive mounts must be solid. Use ½" plywood to fill the gap in the backing below the window sheave cutout.

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**3'0" minimum Self-Closing Self-Locking Door**

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**Motor Control Disconnect (Fusible and Lockable)**

**Car Light Disconnect (Fusible and Lockable)**

230 VAC, 30 amp, Single-Phase (Dedicated Circuit)*

115 VAC, 15 amp, Single-Phase (Dedicated Circuit)*

**Telephone Service for Elevator**

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**Light Switch & Duplex Receptacle**

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**Fill the back of the backing under the window sheave cutout**

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**84" Minimum Headroom**

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**Motor Controller 22"**

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**24" M in A, B**

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**Winding Drum Machine**

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**Rail C/L**

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**24" Min**

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**B**

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**Motor Controller**

**Standard** - 18" W x 18" H x 10" D

**Alternate** - 22" W x 30" H x 8" D

**Hydraulic Power Unit**

24 ¼" W x 33 ½" H x 12 ¾" D

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