



## FACILITIES FOR PERSONS WITH LIMITED MOBILITY

The purpose of this document is to explain the current legislation and how compliance with the BCA is achieved in the supply of lifts for limited mobility access.

### BCA E3.6 – FACILITIES FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES

The BCA is the head legislation describing the minimum requirements for lifts to be suitable for people with disabilities. Clause E3.6 of the BCA selects 5 key factors which are a must for compliance with the DDA. The BCA only calls up the main necessary items. They essentially require that (in summary)

*All lifts complying with the BCA E3.6 will:*

- 1 *Have a handrail*
- 2 *Have internal floor dimensions of 1100mm (w) x 1400mm (d)*
- 3 *Have a minimum clear door opening of 900mm*
- 4 *Have door sensory devices to detect a 75mm rod in the door opening*
- 5 *Have car control buttons that are at a height suitable for those seated and which have Braille identification and highlighting.*

The **LIFT SHOP ELFO** range of products comply with the BCA E3.6.

### AS1735.12 – FACILITIES FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

The 5 key factors of the BCA are also described in AS1735.12 which is much more comprehensive and more expensive to comply with. The standard is not legislation but guidance, however in some cases, the council or client may request compliance with AS1735.12. Where compliance with AS1735.12 occurs, then compliance with the BCA is included anyway.

The main issue under AS1735.12 is clause 4.1, the *lift requires doors on the lift cabin and landing of the horizontal sliding type.*

Clause 4.1 means that a more expensive lift solution is required.

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