

### THE HIGHLAND COUNCIL BUILDING STANDARDS

# **Professional Policy Note**

## Stair Lifts to Maisonettes which are not Accessed at Ground Level

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#### 1. General

Since the Building Scotland Regulations 2004 came into force there has been a general requirement that new buildings are designed so that they are accessible to all and are more easily adapted to meet the future needs of the occupants.

#### 2. Guidance

Section 4.2.8 of the Domestic handbook, 2007 Edition, gives guidance on the requirements to take into account when designing a stair to allow the future installation of a stair lift within dwellings.

#### 3. Procedure

At the Team Leaders and Principles meeting on the 23/08/07 it was agreed that the guidance as set out in 4.2.8 in the Domestic Handbook 2007 Edition *would apply* to a stair within a maisonette even when the maisonette is not accessed at ground level.