

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.