Universal Design Recommendations for Accessible Lifts

• Provide passenger lifts in preference to platform lifts, wherever possible.

• Ensure lifts are clearly signed from the building entrance and other key areas.

• Install lifts with the size and capacity to suit building type and occupancy.

• Ensure that all lifts are accessible, where more than one lift is provided.

• Keep to recommended minimum internal dimensions of 1800mm x 1800mm

• Incorporate clear door opening width of 950mm.

• Ensure lift doors remain open for a minimum of eight seconds.

• Design a lift door arrangement that is consistent and logical.

• Include clear landing space of 1800mm x 1800mm.

• Provide visual and tactile floor numbers at each landing.

• Position landing and lift car controls within reach of all users.

• Install control buttons that are easy to use.

• Ensure the lift signalling system is both visual and audible.

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• Provide an emergency communication system that is suitable for all users.

• Design lift interior to minimise glare and reflection.

• Use even level of illumination of 100 lux.

• Provide half-height mirror to rear wall.

• Install handrails on all walls without doors.

• Consider the provision of a tip-up seat.

• Locate evacuation lifts in fire-resisting enclosure with independent electrical supply and additional controls.