

Gause, John P

From: Gause, John P
Sent: Thursday, February 05, 2009 10:41 AM
To: Davis, Fran; Ryan, Patricia
Subject: RE: question regarding Lula lift

Fran,

If what they are doing is an "alteration," they can install a "LuLa lift" that meets all of the requirements of ADAAG § 4.10 other than dimensions, so long as "usability can be demonstrated." See ADAAG § 4.16(3)(c)(iii). "Usability" would require that it meets the minimum clear floor spaces shown in ADAAG Figure 4. See *id.*

If the renovation affects "at least 80% of the space of the internal structure of facilities," 5 M.R.S.A. § 4594-F(1)(H), however, it would be "new construction," and they would need to install an elevator that fully complied (including dimensions) with ADAAG § 4.10.

John

From: Davis, Fran
Sent: Tuesday, January 27, 2009 3:26 PM
To: Gause, John P; Ryan, Patricia
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I haven't had a question about installing a Lula in eons. I am unclear about the attached drawings since it looks like the space is already there for a regular elevator and not a Lula. But, aside from that query, I think that we don't give opinions on the type of access (unless it's a chair glide) but only comment on whether access is required. What is your opinion? Fran

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-----Original Message-----

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, January 27, 2009 2:28 PM
To: Davis, Fran
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: question regarding Lula lift

Dear Fran,

Rich McCarthy directed my question to your office for clarification. I am working on a library renovation and addition in Lovell, Maine and the Owner is very interested in using a Lula lift instead of an elevator. The existing library currently does not have a lift or elevator and we are providing one in

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the new construction portion of the building (see attached PDF drawings). Is it acceptable to use a Lula in place of the elevator as shown for this application?

thanks.

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