

An elevator has its ups-and-downs too. Though possessing an outstanding safety record, an elevator has some rider rules of its own.

all the ups  
and downs

# of elevator safety



- **Watch your step.** Elevator floors are not always level. Leveling will change depending on the age of the elevator and its varying speeds. If the level is beyond an inch and half, alert the building owner or representative and TSSA.

- **Use the button.** If you want to hold the door open, never stick your hand in the door. The outer doors are there to protect you from two inner doors, not to detect your hand, arm, leg or head.

- **Pay heed to the maximum number of passengers and weight restrictions posted in the elevator car.** They exist for a very valid reason: the safety of all within.

- **In the event of a fire, use the stairs and follow building emergency procedures.** Though modern elevating equipment is made of fire-resistant materials, elevators should not be used unless under the direct supervision of professional fire fighters.

If you spot an elevator not working properly, alert the building owner or representative immediately. Elevator emergency numbers are posted in the lobby. Look out for: damage, such as broken buttons, broken light fixtures, and torn rubber edges on doors; missed floors or stops; and stops above or below the landing, creating a tripping hazard.