

# **Society of Vertical Transportation**

## **Codes and Standards Update**

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- **BS EN81-76 Safety rules for evacuation lifts.**  
Now published. Not retrospective but transition management is challenging. Useful LEIA guidance at: <https://www.leia.co.uk/bs-en-81-76-evacuation-lift-guidance/>
- **BS EN81-28 Safety rules for the construction and installation of lifts – Part 28: Two-way communication system.**  
Revised draft now available for public comment. Deadline for comments is 18<sup>th</sup> November 2025. SoVT comms provides link for commenting.
- **BS 5655-11/12 Code of practice for the undertaking of modifications to existing electric/hydraulic lifts.**  
To be combined into one document. Progressing well. DPC December 2025 with target publication July 2026.

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- **BS 8486-10:** testing of evacuation lifts. Linked to publication of Part 76. Working draft developing.
- **BS 8899:** modification/modernization of fire-fighting and evacuation lifts. Working group now convened and work is underway.
- **BS 9991:** now published!
- **BS 9999:** revision underway now informed by published Part 76.
- **BS 8300:** under review currently controlled by B/559.
- **Guide D 2025:** now published. Free to CIBSE members

# Codes & Standards - General



- Trend towards global standards continues – EN documents becoming ISO documents
- Legal framework driving scope focus – lift standards not commenting on building design
- Public comment process – BSI registration / track for updates
- Presumption of competence to use a standard
- *Shall / Should / May / Can*
- Updated guidance on standards now available on SoVT website at:  
*<https://www.cibse.org/get-involved/societies/society-of-vertical-transportation-sovt/knowledge-and-learning/codes-and-standards/>*

**Questions?**