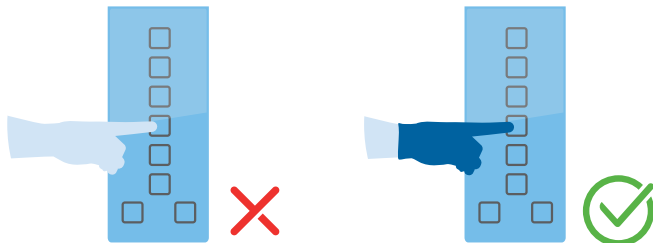


ELEVATOR ETIQUETTE FOR STAYING HEALTHY

While many of us currently face restrictions to moving around our cities and the buildings in them, there are premises that need to stay operational, even in times of crisis. Hospitals are an obvious example of this: people and supplies must be able to move efficiently within and between floors at all times.

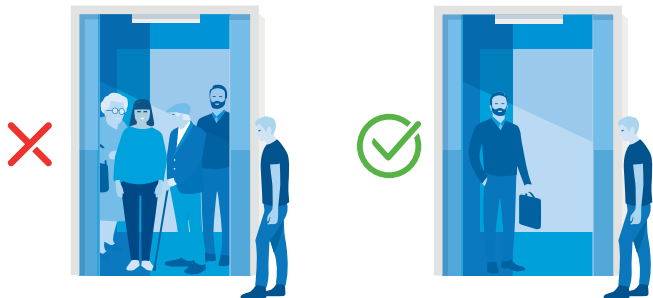
Some office space is being used sporadically, select industrial organizations are fully staffed and in full production, but now more than ever residential buildings are busy, they are home and the equipment needs to remain ready to serve. Elevators are often the most efficient way for the people in these buildings to get where they need to be when they need to be there. By following the below elevator etiquette, anyone using an elevator during the new coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak can do their bit to stay safer during the pandemic.

1. AVOID DIRECT HAND CONTACT WITH BUTTONS



To avoid the spread of microbes in elevators with traditional push buttons, it's best not to touch the keys with your bare fingers. Opt instead for a gloved finger or use the end of a pencil or something similar to push the button. If you need to use your bare hands, remember to wash them as soon as you can or use an alcohol-based hand-sanitizer.

2. AVOID CROWDS



If the elevator is already full, be patient and wait for the next one. Or consider taking the stairs instead. It's best to travel in the elevator on your own or with just a few other people to limit the spread of diseases like the new coronavirus, which are transmitted through respiratory droplets.

3. PRACTICE SOCIAL DISTANCING



If you are in an elevator with other people, try to stand at least one meter away from your fellow passengers. If you are in a crowded elevator, it's polite to adopt the Finnish way and refrain from talking. If you have to cough or sneeze, turn away from others and use your sleeve or a handkerchief to prevent droplets from spreading.

4. REGULAR CLEANING OF SURFACES



5. COMMUNICATION

Communicate with folks around you on whether you're waiting for the next elevator, or they can go ahead.



If you're considering signage in the elevator cab to reinforce these etiquette rules reach out to SRS Signs for 3M 8x8" decals www.srssigns.ca