



**Work Safety Alert**  
**Stuck Lift**

1. **Date of Accident :** February 2012
2. **Place of Accident :** A commercial building in Sheung Wan
3. **Summary :**

It is reported that a caretaker, while climbing out of a lift which he got stuck in, fell onto the bottom of the lift shaft and died.

4. **Work Safety Alert for Employers :**

Employers undertaking property management work should:

- ensure proper maintenance of lifts to prevent malfunctioning; and
- take appropriate measures, including the display of prominent notices, to remind employees to stay put and wait for rescue when being trapped in a lift.

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