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FIRE ESCAPE CERTIFICATION FORM

Property Information:

Address: _____ Number of Units: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Building Owner Information:

Name: _____
Address (No P.O. Box): _____
Daytime Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____ E-Mail Address: _____

Professional Performing and Responsible for Fire Escape Inspection:

Name: _____ PA Professional Engineer License #: _____
Company Name: _____ E-Mail Address: _____
Address: _____ Phone: _____

Inspection Date: _____

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Overall Condition of the Fire Escape

Structural Assessment Rating: Select the structural assessment rating based upon the inspection results. The definition of each rating category is located under the assessment rating.

Safe With Repair & Maintenance: When this structural assessment rating is selected, the Professional is certifying that the structural capacity and integrity will not result in a significant reduction for a period of at least six months from the date of the inspection. The Professional is also certifying that the Fire Escape would be safe to use in case of an emergency by occupants of the building or by first responders. The time period for repairs may not exceed six (6) months. Permits must be filed and obtained. When repairs are completed, the Professional shall complete a post repair inspection and submit a new inspection report.

☐ PASS / SAFE

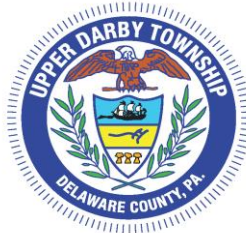
- No visible damage or only minor defects or deterioration observed, but no overstressing observed.
- Structural elements show very minor deterioration, but no overstressing observed.
- No repairs are required.

☐ PARTIAL PASS / SAFE WITH REPAIR & MAINTENANCE

- All primary structural elements are sound, but minor to moderate defects or deterioration observed. Areas of moderate to advanced deterioration may be present, but do not significantly reduce the capacity of the fire escape for a period of at least six months from the date of the inspection.
- Required repairs must be described in an engineer's report and uploaded with this certification.
- The time period for repairs shall not exceed six months (180 days). Permits must be filed and obtained. Upon completion of the repairs, the Professional shall complete a post repair inspection and submit a new report.

☐ UNSAFE / IMMINENT DANGER

- A condition of which any part thereof this is dangerous to persons or property and in need of prompt remedial action.
- The engineer's report shall be submitted directly to Upper Darby Township when this level of assessment rating is selected.
- The Department of Licenses and Inspections shall be notified by email at LI@UpperDarby.org within 12 hours of discovery and a report containing details of the condition and recommended temporary safety measures shall be uploaded with this summary inspection report.



FIRE ESCAPE CERTIFICATION INSPECTION CHECKLIST

For each item below, check **Pass**, **Fail**, or **N/A** to indicate your findings. Attach additional documentation as necessary.

General Conditions

- Are all surfaces free of rust, corrosion, or deterioration?
☐ Pass ☐ Fail ☐ N/A
- Is there any peeling, broken, or missing protective coating or paint?
☐ Pass ☐ Fail ☐ N/A
- Are there any visible cracks or structural deformities in the fire escape components?
☐ Pass ☐ Fail ☐ N/A
- Are the platforms, stairs, and ladders free of debris, vegetation, or obstructions?
☐ Pass ☐ Fail ☐ N/A
- Are there any unauthorized or unprofessional modifications that compromise structural integrity?
☐ Pass ☐ Fail ☐ N/A
- Are drainage features, if present, functioning and free of blockage to prevent water accumulation?
☐ Pass ☐ Fail ☐ N/A
- Is there any sign of vandalism, graffiti, or tampering with the fire escape?
☐ Pass ☐ Fail ☐ N/A

Structural Integrity

- Are all bolts, rivets, and fasteners intact, secure, and free of rust or deterioration?
☐ Pass ☐ Fail ☐ N/A
- Are all welds on platforms, stairs, and connections properly sealed and intact?
☐ Pass ☐ Fail ☐ N/A
- Are stair stringers, treads, and risers free of bending, sagging, or deformation?
☐ Pass ☐ Fail ☐ N/A
- Are handrails continuous and properly fastened?
☐ Pass ☐ Fail ☐ N/A
- Is the structural frame free of visible bowing, twisting, or bending under load conditions?
☐ Pass ☐ Fail ☐ N/A
- Are platforms and landings capable of supporting the minimum live load as required by the IBC?
☐ Pass ☐ Fail ☐ N/A

Anchoring Devices and Connections

- Are anchoring devices (bolts, embeds, etc.) properly embedded into the supporting structure?
☐ Pass ☐ Fail ☐ N/A
- Are there any visible signs of separation or weakening at anchor points?
☐ Pass ☐ Fail ☐ N/A

- Are connections to the building structurally sound and free of rust or cracking?
☐ Pass ☐ Fail ☐ N/A
- Are lower support legs, if applicable, securely mounted on grade or equivalent supports?
☐ Pass ☐ Fail ☐ N/A
- Are the joints and plates properly aligned and free of gaps or movement?
☐ Pass ☐ Fail ☐ N/A

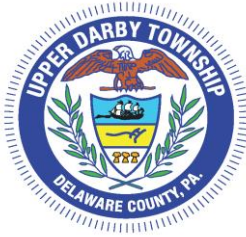
Access and Egress

- Is the fire escape easily accessible from all required points of egress?
☐ Pass ☐ Fail ☐ N/A
- Are access windows and doors functioning properly and unobstructed?
☐ Pass ☐ Fail ☐ N/A
- Are all required paths leading to and from the fire escape clear of hazards or obstacles?
☐ Pass ☐ Fail ☐ N/A
- Are markings or signage indicating the fire escape's location clearly visible?
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Operation and Safety

- Does the counterbalance stair or ladder deploy and retract as intended?
☐ Pass ☐ Fail ☐ N/A
- Are all moving parts of the fire escape system lubricated and functional?
☐ Pass ☐ Fail ☐ N/A
- Are all egress paths continuous and lead to a designated area of safety?
☐ Pass ☐ Fail ☐ N/A
- Is the fire escape free from hazards such as overhead electrical lines or protruding objects?
☐ Pass ☐ Fail ☐ N/A
- Are all handrails and railings securely attached and free from breaks or gaps?
☐ Pass ☐ Fail ☐ N/A

Please Note: This is not a comprehensive checklist. The design professional is responsible for conducting a thorough inspection of the entire fire escape system in accordance with all applicable codes and standards.



Inspection Summary

Comments or Notes:

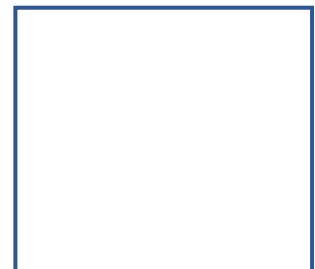
Please attach the following documents to the Fire Escape Certification Form:

- Detailed inspection report
- Photos of deficiencies or areas of concern
- Repair recommendations, if applicable
- Additional supporting documents

FIRE ESCAPE CERTIFICATION BY PROFESSIONAL:

I hereby certify that I have been authorized by the property owner or their designated representative to conduct this inspection and submit this report on their behalf. I further affirm that the inspection has been completed in accordance with all applicable codes, standards, and requirements, and that all findings documented herein are accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge. A copy of this report has been provided to the property owner or their designated representative.

Signature of Professional: _____ Date: _____



Submit this form to:

Upper Darby Township Department of Licenses & Inspections
100 Garrett Road Upper Darby, PA 19082 or via email LI@UpperDarby.org

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