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Standards & Related Documents Sub-Committee

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001. Electrical Inspections

At the NAFLIC General Meeting on 11 February 1992 we were asked to seek further information regarding new requirements for electrical inspection. The issue was raised at the Joint Advisory Committee for Health and Safety in the Fairground Industry (JAC) on 17 February and was subsequently discussed by our Standards Committee on 6 March 1992.

The Code of Safe Practice at Fairs has been revised and the new edition is likely to be published in the next few weeks. This contains, amongst other changes, a much expanded section on electrical matters which will apply from the date of publication. The duties of the Appointed Person, as at present, will include the Thorough Examination of passenger carrying amusement devices. It remains the responsibility of the Appointed Person to decide whether he has sufficient competence to carry out examination of electrical equipment. The new paragraph 228 includes the wording "A completed Inspection Certificate in the form such as shown in the Appendix of the current edition of the Institution of Electrical Engineers' Regulations for electrical installations should be provided". This implies a number of tests which must be carried out and signed for, some of which may require special equipment. We believe that Appointed Persons need to consider whether they are able to carry out all the tests listed in deciding whether they have sufficient expertise. Fail safety of control systems also needs to be examined.

The Standards Committee may be willing to consider setting up training seminars covering the required electrical tests or other special techniques for which there might be a demand. Please let us know if you think this would be helpful.