Glossary

Controller: The controller is the brain of the beast. It control the movement and operation of the elevator.

Counter weight: It counter balances the weight of the elevator car. When the car goes up, this goes down.

Governor: This is the device which prevents the elevator from over speeding.

Interlock: a device used to keep the elevator hoist way door closed when the car is at another floor.

Hoist way: The space enclosed by fireproof walls and elevator doors for the travel of one or more elevators, dumbwaiters or material lifts. It includes the pit and terminates at the underside

Of the overhead machinery space floor or grating, or at the underside of the roof where

The hoist way does not penetrate the roof. (Hoist way is sometimes called "hatchway" or

"Hatch".)