

Higher Expectations for Life-Safety

Many companies realize that decisions they make regarding safety and health are vital to the long-term welfare of the company. There is an effort at all levels of organizations to address these decisions initially instead of after an accident or mishap. Still, too often, it takes a tragic incident to place the importance of safety over doing only the minimum required by law.

Existing laws establish minimum standards, yet our society expects higher demands for safety. For those who have the authority to determine the safety of a building's occupants and its assets, it is not merely an issue of simple compliance with rules and regulations, *but rather an issue of*

doing the right thing even when the law allows us to do less. This is the ultimate challenge confronting building owners, executive management and those responsible for providing a safe environment, while also respecting the requirements of interior design.

Existing building code's minimum standards may not address, or only address in a limited way, egress and guidance pathways. Traditional emergency lighting systems require electrical or battery power. These systems require regular maintenance and are subject to human error. They are not fail-safe. Therefore, these code-required emergency systems may not perform in an emergency situation, nor are they easily integrated into the landscape of the interior design.

A Simpler Way to Keep People Safe During Emergencies

Evacuating a building in daylight is rarely a problem, but evacuating a building in dark or smoke-filled conditions can be chaotic. When emergency egress routes are no longer visible, people become disoriented and panic.

In these situations, the potential for injury — and even death — is significantly increased. Johnsonite's Safe-T-First System helps provide an advanced measure of safety to assist building occupants evacuate a building during periods of sudden darkness.

Shown here and at right are examples of Johnsonite's unique ability to bring synergy to interiors through innovative specialty flooring solutions.



-  Complies with Americans with Disabilities Act regulations.
-  Meets building code standards from American National Standard Institute.
-  Meets flammability requirements of the National Fire Protection Association Life-Safety Code 101.
-  Meets photoluminescent escape routing standards in D.I.N. 67510.
-  Member National Safety Council