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Lift Emotion uses a pre-assembly process to complete installation in three days

Lift Emotion, a Dutch manufacturer of lifts for yachts, has developed a new procedure to save time installing glass-finished elevators onboard yachts.

The company has recently completed a lift installation in a record three days, on a 100m-plus yacht, built and recently delivered in northern Europe. The normal fitting time for a glass elevator onboard a yacht is closer to six to eight weeks, the company claims.

In order to achieve a shorter installation time Lift Emotion pre-assembled the lift at its facilities in Meppel, the Netherlands.

Commenting on the new construction approach, the Dutch manufacturer says: “The glass elements were mounted on the lift installation according to the highest yachting standard in the controlled factory environment.

“After assembly the modular glass elevator installation was transported to the build yard. Once at the yard, the complete elevator is then hoisted aboard the yacht at an angle of four degrees and installation is completed just in three days.”

Lift Emotion says that advantages of this short installation time include less downtime and reduced obstruction time of the staircase of the yacht under construction.

The company crew was onboard solely for the few days it took to complete the operation, meaning the process caused minimum impact to the construction process of the yacht.

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Although this was the first time that a pre-assembled glass elevator was installed on a yacht, Lift Emotion has previously used the process on a high-end residence in the Alps and France.

Lift Emotion designs, manufactures and installs special marine elevators for superyachts. Headquartered in Meppel, the Netherlands, the company specializes in providing bespoke solutions for specific lifting needs aboard yachts and on special onshore locations, with a team creating custom lifts for unique settings on a day-to-day basis.

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