Accessibility Requirements Tool

ICT Accessibility Requirements Statement per Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act

Solicitation Development

Real-Time Inference Endpoint

E206.1 General. Where components of ICT are hardware and transmit information or have a user interface, such components shall conform to the requirements in Chapter 4.

E207.1 General Where components of ICT are software and transmit information or have a user interface, such components shall conform to E207 and the requirements in Chapter 5

Exception from E207.1 General: Software that is assistive technology and that supports the accessibility services of the platform shall not be required to conform to the requirements in Chapter 5.

E207.2 WCAG Conformance User interface components, as well as the content of platforms and applications, shall conform to Level A and Level AA Success Criteria and Conformance Requirements in WCAG 2.0 (incorporated by reference, see 702.10.1).

Exceptions from E207.2 WCAG Conformance:

- Software that is assistive technology and that supports the accessibility services of the platform shall not be required to conform to E207.2.

- Non-web software shall not be required to conform to the following four Success Criteria in WCAG 2.0: 2.4.1 Bypass Blocks; 2.4.5 Multiple Ways; 3.2.3 Consistent Navigation; and 3.2.4 Consistent Identification.

- Non-Web software shall not be required to conform to Conformance Requirement 3 Complete Processes in WCAG 2.0.

E208.1 General Where an agency provides support documentation or services for ICT, such documentation and services shall conform to the requirements in Chapter 6.

501.1 Scope - The requirements of Chapter 5 shall apply to software where required by 508 Chapter 2 (Scoping Requirements), 255 Chapter 2 (Scoping Requirements), and where

otherwise referenced in any other chapter of the Revised 508 Standards or Revised 255 Guidelines.

Exception from E501.1 Scope: Where Web applications do not have access to platform accessibility services and do not include components that have access to platform accessibility services, they shall not be required to conform to 502 or 503 provided that they conform to Level A and Level AA Success Criteria and Conformance Requirements in WCAG 2.0 (incorporated by reference, see 702.10.1).

502.1 General - Software shall interoperate with assistive technology and shall conform to 502.

Exception from E502.1 General: ICT conforming to 402 shall not be required to conform to 502.

602.1 General. Documentation that supports the use of ICT shall conform to 602.

603.1 General. ICT support services including, but not limited to, help desks, call centers, training services, and automated self-service technical support, shall conform to 603.

Instructions to Offerors

1   Provide an Accessibility Conformance Report (ACR) for each commercially available Information and Communication Technology (ICT) item offered through this contract. Create the ACR using the Voluntary Product Accessibility Template Version 2.1 or later, located at https://www.itic.org/policy/accessibility/vpat. Complete each ACR in accordance with the instructions provided in the VPAT template. Each ACR must address the applicable Section 508 requirements referenced in the Work Statement. Each ACR shall state exactly how the ICT meets the applicable standards in the remarks/explanations column, or through additional narrative. All "Not Applicable" (N/A) responses must be explained in the remarks/explanations column or through additional narrative. Address each standard individually and with specificity, and clarify whether conformance is achieved throughout the entire ICT Item (for example - user functionality, administrator functionality, and reporting), or only in limited areas of the ICT Item. Provide a description of the evaluation methods used to support Section 508 conformance claims. The agency reserves the right, prior to making an award decision, to perform testing on some or all of the Offeror's proposed ICT items to validate Section 508 conformance claims made in the ACR.

2 Describe your approach to incorporating universal design principles to ensure ICT products or services are designed to support disabled users.

3 Describe plans for features that do not fully conform to the Section 508 Standards.

4 Describe "typical" user scenarios and tasks, including individuals with disabilities, to ensure fair and accurate accessibility testing of the ICT product or service being offered.

Acceptance Criteria

1 Prior to acceptance, the government reserves the right to perform testing on required ICT items to validate the offeror's Section 508 conformance claims. If the government determines that Section 508 conformance claims provided by the offeror represent an inaccurate level of conformance than what is actually delivered to the agency, the government shall, at its option, require the offeror to remediate the delivered item to align with the required Section 508 conformance claims prior to acceptance.