

Web Accessibility Essentials

Web accessibility ensures all users, including those with disabilities, can use your website. It's important for inclusivity, legal compliance, and overall user experience.

Key principles (WCAG):

1. Perceivable
2. Operable
3. Understandable
4. Robust

Essential practices:

1. Provide alt text for images

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```html

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2. Use proper heading structure (H1, H2, H3)
3. Ensure sufficient color contrast
4. Make site keyboard-accessible
5. Use ARIA landmarks

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```html
<nav aria-label="Main Navigation">
 <!-- Navigation items -->
</nav>
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6. Provide captions and transcripts for media
7. Create accessible forms with clear labels
8. Use descriptive link text

Testing methods:

- Automated tools (WAVE, aXe)
- Screen reader testing
- Keyboard navigation testing
- User testing with people with disabilities

Implementing these practices creates a better web experience for everyone.