

Web Accessibility

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What is Web Accessibility?

- * Web Accessibility: removes barriers that prevent interaction with or access to websites for anyone with a disability.
- * Web Content Accessibility Guidelines: covers a wide range of recommendations for making web content more accessible.
 - WCAG 2.1 will be in effect January 18, 2018.
- * WCAG status is on a working draft by the Accessibility Guidelines Working Group.



Types of Disabilities

- Visual
- Auditory
- Physical
- Speech
- Cognitive
- Neurological
- Aging-related



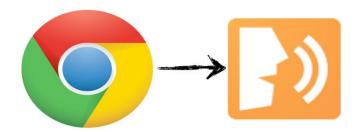
Tools for People with Disabilities

- Alternative keyboards
- Braille and refreshable displays
- Scanning software
- Screen magnifiers
- Screen readers
- Speech recognition
- Tabbing through elements
- Voice browsers



Visual Disability Tools

- ❖ Most common tool used by those visually impaired: ChromeVox
 - Link to Chrome Extension Store: <u>https://chrome.google.com/webstore/detail/chromevox/kgejglhpjiefppelpmljglcjbhoiplfn?utm_source=chrome-ntp-icon</u>



Hearing Disability

- Best practices:
 - Captions for videos, podcasts, or any type of audio.
 - Transcripts of videos, podcasts, or any type of audio.
 - Optional: Sign language.
- Captions and transcripts are more realistic to set up for this accommodation.



Importance of Alternative Text

- Alternative Text (alt text): is an HTML attribute that goes along with image media, such as a picture. If a user hovers their mouse over a picture it will show the alternative text in a small box.
- This is critical for those with visual impairments.

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<div id="header_widget_1">

ul colspan="sidebar_list">

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If You Get a Complaint

- Alert specific people
 - Development Team
 - Administrators
 - Legal Console
- Confirm the problem exists
- Respond to OCR by date indicated
- All communications regarding any complaint will be documented along with corrective action plan.
- Complaints can be prevented by routine audits by development team



WordPress Best Practices

- Follow Accessibility Guidelines with all content.
- Grandfather in eligible content with grandfather policy.
- Use tools like WP Accessibility. https://wordpress.org/plugins/wp-accessibility/



Tools



- 508 Checker: checks if your site meets 508 compliance. http://www.508checker.com/
- A-Tester: checks with HTML5 markup with WCAG Level-AA conformance. http://www.evaluera.co.uk/
- Bureau of Internet Accessibility: will generate a free grade report to you for your website. https://www.boia.org/wc3-free-2-0-aa-report
- Chrome Accessibility Developer Tools Plugin: adds accessibility sidebar pane in the elements tab of Developer Tools.

https://chrome.google.com/webstore/detail/accessibility-developer-t/fpkknkljclfencbdbgkenhalefipecmb?hl=en

More Information

- WCAG 2.1 Standards https://www.w3.org/TR/WCAG21/
- Developing Accessible Websites http://www.washington.edu/accessibility/web/
- ADA Website Accessibility Explained https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3IRqtXGrdNY
- How a Blind Person Uses a Computer https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UzffnbBex6c
- Hearing Disability https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kNKCWeJ4sOU



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