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# ADA Checklist

Transportation Facilities – Fixed Facilities, Terminals  
and Stations

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Facility Name \_\_\_\_\_

Access

<b>Circulation Path – Vertical Access (ADAAG 10.3.1)</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Are all elements, such as ramps, elevators or other circulation devices, placed to minimize the distance a wheelchair user must travel?		
<b>Fare Areas (ADAAG 10.3.1)</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Are fare vending, other ticketing areas and fare collection areas placed to minimize the distance a wheelchair user must travel?		
<b>Accessible Entrance and Route (ADAAG 10.3.1)</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Does the circulation path, including an accessible entrance and an accessible route, coincide with the circulation path for the general public?		
<b>Directional Signage Where Circulation Path is Different (ADAAG 10.3.1, 4.30.7)</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Where the circulation path differs, does the directional signage comply with signage requirements?  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mounted on wall adjacent to latch side of door, or as close as possible.</li> <li>• Brailled text of the same information.</li> <li>• If pictogram is used, it must be accompanied by raised characters and Braille.</li> <li>• Signs mounted with centerline 60 inches from floor.</li> </ul>		
<b>Height:</b> Do the signs display the international symbol of accessibility?		
<b>Entrances – Accessible Route (ADAAG 10.3.1, 4.14)</b>		
Is at least one entrance connected by an accessible route to public transportation stops, accessible parking, passenger loading zones and public streets or sidewalks and to all accessible spaces or elements within the facility?  The accessible route should:  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Not require the use of stairs;</li> <li>• Be stable, firm and slip-resistant; and</li> <li>• Be at least 36 inches wide.</li> </ul>		
<b>Width:</b>		

<b>Public Entrances (ADAAG 10.3.1, 4.14)</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Do all accessible entrances coincide with those used by the general public, to the maximum extent practicable?		
<b>Entrance Signs (ADAAG 10.3.1)</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Where signs are provided at station entrances, does the sign comply with signage requirements? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mounted on wall adjacent to latch side of door, or as close as possible.</li> <li>• Brailled text of the same information.</li> <li>• If pictogram is used, it must be accompanied by raised characters and Braille.</li> <li>• Signs mounted with centerline 60 inches from floor.</li> </ul> <b>Height:</b>		
Are the signs placed in uniform locations at the entrances to the maximum extent practicable? Where the station has no defined entrance, but signage is provided, the accessible signage should be placed in a central location.		
<b>Station/Platform Signs (ADAAG 10.3.1)</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Do stations have identification signs complying with signage requirements? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mounted on wall adjacent to latch side of door, or as close as possible.</li> <li>• Brailled text of the same information.</li> <li>• If pictogram is used, it must be accompanied by raised characters and Braille.</li> <li>• Signs mounted with centerline 60 inches from floor.</li> </ul> <b>Height:</b>		
Are the identification signs placed at frequent intervals and clearly visible from inside the vehicle on both sides (when not obstructed by another train)?		
<b>Sign Height (ADAAG 10.3.1)</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
When station identification signs are placed close to vehicle windows, is the top of the highest letter or symbol below the top of the vehicle window and the bottom of the lowest letter or symbol above the horizontal mid-line of the vehicle window?		
<b>Route Signs (ADAAG 10.3.1)</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Do route signs comply with signage requirements? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mounted on wall adjacent to latch side of door, or as close as possible.</li> <li>• Brailled text of the same information.</li> <li>• If pictogram is used, it must be accompanied by raised characters and Braille.</li> <li>• Signs mounted with centerline 60 inches from floor.</li> </ul> <b>Height:</b>		

Are all signs that list stations, routes or destinations served by the station placed in uniform locations within the transit system, to the maximum extent practicable?		
<b>Automatic Fare Vending Machines (ADAAG 10.3.1, 4.27.2, 4.27.3, 4.27.4)</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Are automatic fare vending machines located at each accessible entrance and on an accessible route?		
If self-service fare collection devices are provided for the public, is there at least one accessible device for entering and exiting at each accessible point of entry or exit?		
Does each accessible fare collection device have a minimum clear width of 32 inches to allow passage of a wheelchair? <b>Clear width:</b>		
Is clear floor space (at least 30 inches by 48 inches) provided at coin or card slots and controls that allow either a forward or parallel approach by a person using a wheelchair? <b>Clear floor space:</b>		
If the clear floor space allows only a forward approach, then is the highest operable part no more than 48 inches from the floor? <b>Height:</b>		
If the clear floor space allows only a parallel approach, then is the highest operable part no more than 54 inches from the floor? <b>Height:</b>		
Are the controls operable with one hand and without tight grasping, pinching or twisting of the wrist?		
<b>Fare Gates (ADAAG 10.3.1)</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Do gates which must be pushed open by wheelchair or mobility aid users have a smooth continuous surface extending from 2 inches above the floor to 27 inches above the floor? <b>Surface:</b>		
<b>Accessible Fare Collection Location (ADAAG 10.3.1)</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Where the circulation path does not coincide with that used by the general public, is the accessible fare collection system located at or adjacent to the accessible point of entry or exit?		
<b>Detectable Warnings (ADAAG 10.3.1, 4.29.2)</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Do platform edges bordering a drop-off not protected by platform screens or guard rails have a detectable warning?		
Are the detectable warnings 24 inches wide running the full length of the platform drop-off? <b>Width:</b>		

Does the detectable warning consist of raised truncated domes with a nominal diameter of 0.9 inches, a nominal height of 0.2 inches and a nominal center-to-center spacing of 2.35 inches? <b>Diameter:</b> <b>Height:</b> <b>Spacing:</b>		
Does the detectable warning contrast visually with adjoining surfaces (light-on-dark or dark-on-light)?		
Is the material used to provide contrast an integral part of the walking surface?		
If the platform is in an interior location, does the detectable warning differ from the adjoining walking surface in resiliency or sound-on-cane contact?		
<b>Platform Height – Vertical Gap (ADAAG 10.3.1)</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Is the rail-to-platform height coordinated with the floor height of new vehicles so that the vertical difference (measured when the vehicle is at rest) is within plus or minus 5/8 inch under normal passenger load conditions?  Existing vehicles operating in new stations may have a vertical difference with respect to the new platform within plus or minus 1 ½ inches. <b>Vertical difference:</b>		
<b>Rail Systems – Horizontal Gap (ADAAG 10.3.1)</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
For rapid rail, light rail, commuter rail, high speed rail and intercity rail systems in new stations, is the horizontal gap (measured when the new vehicle is at rest) no greater than 3 inches? <b>Horizontal gap:</b>		
<b>People Movers – Horizontal Gap (ADAAG 10.3.1)</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
For slow-moving automated guideway “people mover” transit systems, is the horizontal gap in new stations no greater than 1 inch? <b>Horizontal gap:</b>		
<b>Boarding and Alighting (ADAAG 10.3.1)</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Is the station designed so that people with disabilities are able to board or alight from a vehicle at the same location as used by the general public?		
<b>Illumination (ADAAG 10.3.1)</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Are illumination levels in the areas where signage is located uniform?		
Does the method of illumination minimize glare on signs?		
Is the lighting along circulation routes of the type and configuration to provide uniform illumination?		
<b>Text Telephones (ADAAG 10.3.1, 4.31.9)</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Where inside public pay telephones are provided, is there a public text telephone?		

<p>If there are four or more public pay telephones located in any of the following locations, is at least one public text telephone provided in the location? Locations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• main terminal outside the security areas;</li> <li>• concourse within the security areas; or</li> <li>• baggage claim area in a terminal.</li> </ul>		
<b>Track Crossings (ADAAG 10.3.1, 4.29.5)</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
<p>Where it is necessary to cross tracks to reach boarding platforms, is the surface of the route level and flush with the rail top at the outer edge and between the rails except for a maximum 2 ½-inch gap on the inner edge of each rail to permit passage of wheel flanges? OR, where gap reduction is not practicable, is there an above-grade or below-grade accessible route?</p> <p><b>Gap:</b></p>		
<p>Where the walkway crosses the vehicular way, is the boundary between the areas defined by a continuous detectable warning which is 36 inches wide?</p> <p><b>Width:</b></p>		
<b>Public Address Systems (ADAAG 10.3.1)</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
<p>If there are terminal information systems that broadcast information to the general public through a public address system, is there a way to provide the same or equivalent information to people with hearing impairments, such as visual paging systems?</p>		
<b>Clocks (ADAAG 10.3.1)</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
<p>If clocks are provided for public use, are the clock faces uncluttered so that the elements are clearly visible?</p>		
<p>Do clock hands and numbers contrast with the background either light-on-dark or dark-on-light?</p>		
<p>Where mounted overhead, are the clock numbers 3 inches or greater in height?</p> <p><b>Height:</b></p>		
<p>Are clocks placed in uniform locations throughout the facility?</p>		
<b>Escalators (ADAAG 10.3.1)</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
<p>Where provide in below grade stations, do escalators have a clear width of at least 32 inches?</p> <p><b>Clear width:</b></p>		
<p>At the top and bottom of each escalator run, are at least two contiguous treads level beyond the comb plate before the risers begin to form?</p>		
<p>Are all escalator treads marked by a strip of clearly contrasting color 2 inches wide, parallel to and on the nose of each step? (The edge of the thread must be apparent from both ascending and descending directions).</p> <p><b>Width:</b></p>		
<p>Is the contrasting strip of a material that is at least as slip-resistant as the remainder of the thread?</p>		

<b>Ticketing and Baggage Claim Areas (ADAAG 10.3.1)</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Are ticketing areas designed so that people with disabilities can get tickets and check baggage?		
<b>Service Counters (ADAAG 7.2)</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
At the ticketing area, is there a portion of the main counter that is no more than 36 inches high? <b>Height:</b>		
<b>Baggage Check-in and Retrieval (ADAAG 10.3.1)</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Are baggage check-in and retrieval systems on a route of travel that does not require the use of stairs?		
Is the route of travel stable, firm and slip-resistant?		
Is the route of travel at least 36 inches wide? <b>Width:</b>		
Is there space immediately adjacent to the baggage check-in and retrieval system that is at least 30 inches wide and 48 inches long to provide a parallel or forward approach? <b>Length:</b> <b>Width:</b>		
<b>Gates (ADAAG 10.3.1)</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
If unattended security barriers are provided, does one entrance door have at least 32 inches clear opening (for a double door, at least one 32-inch leaf)? <b>Clear opening:</b>		
Are there at least 18 inches of clear wall space on the pull side of the door, next to the handle? A person using a wheelchair or crutches needs this space to get close enough to open the door. <b>Clear space:</b>		
Is the door handle no higher than 48 inches and operable with a closed fist? The “closed fist” test for handles and controls: Try opening the door or operating the control using only one hand, held in a fist. <b>Height:</b>		
Can doors be opened without too much force (exterior doors excluded; maximum is 5 lbf for <i>interior</i> doors)? You can use an inexpensive force meter or a fish scale to measure the force required to open a door. Attach the hook end to the doorknob or handle. Pull on the ring end until the door opens, and read off the amount of force required. If you do not have a force meter or a fish scale, you will need to judge subjectively whether the door is easy enough to open. <b>Force:</b>		
If the door is automatic, does it take at least 3 seconds to close? <b>Seconds:</b>		

**Access to Rest Rooms**

<b>Getting to the Rest Rooms (ADAAG 4.1)</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
If rest rooms are available to the public, is at least one rest room (either one for each sex or unisex) fully accessible?		
Are there signs at inaccessible rest rooms that give directions to accessible ones?		
<b>Doorways and Passages (ADAAG 4.2, 4.13, 4.3)</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Is there tactile signage identifying rest rooms? Mount signs on the wall, on the latch side of the door, complying with the requirements for permanent signage.		
Are pictograms or symbols used to identify rest rooms, and, if used, are raised characters and Braille included below them?		
Is the doorway at least 32 inches clear? <b>Clear width:</b>		
Are doors equipped with accessible handles (operable with a closed fist), 48 inches high or less? <b>Height:</b>		
Can doors be opened easily (5 lbf maximum force)? <b>Force:</b>		
Does the entry configuration provide adequate maneuvering space for a person using a wheelchair? A person in a wheelchair needs 36 inches of clear width for forward movement, and a 5-foot diameter or T-shaped clear space to make turns. A minimum distance of 48 inches clear of the door swing is needed between the two doors of an entry vestibule. <b>Clear width:</b>		
Is there a 36-inch-wide path to all fixtures? <b>Width:</b>		
<b>Stalls (ADAAG 4.17)</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Is the stall door operable with a closed fist, inside and out?		
Is there a wheelchair-accessible stall that has an area of at least 5 feet by 5 feet, clear of the door swing, OR is there a stall that is less accessible but that provides greater access than a typical stall (either 36 by 69 inches or 48 by 69 inches)? <b>Length:</b> <b>Width:</b>		
In the accessible stall, are there grab bars behind and on the side wall nearest to the toilet?		
Is the toilet seat 17 to 19 inches high? <b>Height:</b>		
<b>Lavatories (ADAAG 4.19, 4.24)</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Does one lavatory have a 30-inch-wide by 48-inch-deep clear space in front? A maximum of 19 inches of the required depth may be under the lavatory.		

<b>Clear space:</b>		
Is the lavatory rim no higher than 34 inches?		
<b>Height:</b>		
Are there at least 29 inches from the floor to the bottom of the lavatory apron (excluding pipes)?		
<b>Height:</b>		
Can the faucet be operated with one closed fist?		
Are soap and other dispensers and hand dryers within reach ranges and usable with one closed fist?		
Is the mirror mounted with the bottom edge of the reflecting surface 40 inches high or lower?		
<b>Height:</b>		

**Additional Access**

<b>Drinking Fountains (ADAAG 4.15)</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Is there at least one fountain with clear floor space of at least 30 by 48 inches in front? <b>Clear space:</b>		
Is there one fountain with its spout no higher than 36 inches from the ground and another with a standard height spout (or a single “hi-lo” fountain)? <b>Height:</b>		
Are controls mounted on the front or on the side near the front edge and operable with one closed fist?		
Is each fountain cane-detectable (located within 27 inches of the floor or protruding in the circulation space less than 4 inches from the wall)? <b>Height:</b> <b>Protrusion:</b>		
<b>Telephones (ADAAG 4.31)</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
If pay or public use phones are provided, is there clear floor space of at least 30 by 48 inches in front of at least one? <b>Clear space:</b>		
Is the highest operable part of the phone no higher than 48 inches (up to 54 inches if a side approach is possible)? <b>Height:</b>		
Does the phone protrude no more than 4 inches into the route of travel? <b>Protrusion:</b>		
Does the phone have push-button controls?		
Is the phone hearing-aid compatible?		
Is the phone adapted with volume control?		
Is the phone with volume control identified with appropriate signage?		
If there are four or more public phones in the building, is one of the phones equipped with a text telephone (TT or TDD)?		
Is the location of the text telephone identified by accessible signage bearing the international TDD symbol?		