





ADA: FACILITIES & REQUIREMENTS

This quick reference guide is designed to assist you with navigating some of the resources available designed to promote a robust understanding of the accessibility requirements and effectively evaluate the organization's facilities accessibility to Title II and Title III of the American with Disabilities Act (ADA). This is not intended to be an exhaustive or exclusive list of resources and the user should consult other federal and state requirements as needed.

Introduction to the Built Environment Accessibility

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Resources		
Print Materials	Webinars	
ADA Update: A Primer for State and Local Governments https://www.ada.gov/regs2010/titlell_2010/title_ii_primer. html	Accessibility Standards: The Basics https://www.accessibilityonline.org/ao/archives/38	
ADA Update: A Primer for Small Business https://www.ada.gov/regs2010/smallbusiness/ smallbusprimer2010.htm	Standards for Accessible Designs https://www.accessibilityonline.org/ao/archives/37	

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The US Access Board (https://www.access-board.gov/) maintains many resources in addition to those listed in the table above. Training materials include monthly webinars (https://www.access-board.gov/webinars/) and a library of topic specific archived webinars (https://www.accessibilityonline.org/ao/archives/).

US Department of Justice (USDOJ) ADA Standards for Accessible Design

Resources:

The USDOJ's Civil Rights Division maintains the standards for accessible design. In addition to these standards, resources are provided for Laws/Regulations, Technical Assistance Materials and Enforcement. https://www.ada.gov/2010ADAstandards_index.htm





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The Standards:

The 2010 Standards for Titles II and III Facilities applies to both state and local government facilities (Title II) and public accommodations and commercial facilities (Title III). https://www.ada.gov/regs2010/2010ADAStandards/2010ADAStandards_prt.pdf

The ADA Accessibility Guidelines (ADAAG) is comprised of the ten chapters listed below.

Chapters		
1. Application & Administration	5. General Site & Building Elements	9. Built in elements
2. Scoping Requirements	6. Plumbing Elements & Facilities	10. Recreational Facilities
3. Building Blocks	7. Communication Elements & Features	
4. Accessible Routes	8. Special Rooms, Spaces & Elements	

The layout or formatting of the ADAAG may be somewhat counter-intuitive, at least initially. The first chapter is dedicated to the applicability of the rules. Chapter 2, "The Scoping Requirements," provides guidance for 143 subject areas or topics. The remaining chapters cover technical elements or attributes that are further referenced in Chapter 2 and/or elsewhere in the document.

For example, if a question arose regarding drinking fountains, this topic can be found in chapter 2, section 211. Section 211 references chapter 6, "Plumbing Elements." Section 602 of this chapter relates to drinking fountains and references clearance requirements and other details referenced in chapter 3", "Building Blocks". It is imperative that all relevant references are reviewed for applicability.

Complaint and/or Grievance Process

Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act and Title II of the ADA require a complaint or grievance process. The process should provide the opportunity for patrons to bring accessibility issues to the entity's attention. Furthermore, it should encourage the entity to develop workable solutions through interaction and communication to help ensure that its facilities are sufficiently accessible to individuals with disabilities.

Other Resources

- SDAO Pre-Loss Legal
 Call 503-371-8667 and ask to speak to someone regarding a pre-loss legal issue.
- Oregon Structural Specialty Code: Chapter 11 Accessibility

 https://codes.iccsafe.org/content/OSSC2019P1/chapter-11-accessibility#OSSC2019P1_Ch11_Sec1106
- Job Accommodation Network (JAN) https://askjan.org/
- Northwest ADA Center http://nwadacenter.org/audience/statelocal-government