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### Voluntary Product Accessibility Template<sup>®</sup>

#### Version 1.3

The purpose of the **Voluntary Product Accessibility Template**, or **VPAT**<sup>™</sup>, is to assist Federal contracting officials and other buyers in making preliminary assessments regarding the availability of commercial "Electronic and Information Technology" products and services with features that support accessibility. It is assumed and recommended that offerers will provide additional contact information to facilitate more detailed inquiries.

The first table of the Template provides a summary view of the Section 508 Standards. The subsequent tables provide more detailed views of each subsection. There are three columns in each table. Column one of the Summary Table describes the subsections of subparts B and C of the Standards. The second column describes the supporting features of the product or refers you to the corresponding detailed table, e.g., "equivalent facilitation." The third column contains any additional remarks and explanations regarding the product. In the subsequent tables, the first column contains the lettered paragraphs of the subsections. The second column describes the supporting features of the product with regard to that paragraph. The third column contains any additional remarks and explanations regarding the product.

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Summary Table			
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Criteria Supporting Remarks and Features explanations			
Section 1194.21 <u>Software</u> Applications and Operating	Supports	Alternatives such as closed-captioning are	

<u>Systems</u>		available. A full transcript is also included. See Section 1194.21 for details.
Section 1194.22 <u>Web-based</u> Internet Information and Applications	Not Applicable	
Section 1194.23 Telecommunications Products	Not Applicable	
Section 1194.24 Video and Multi-media Products	Not Applicable	
Section 1194.25 <u>Self-</u> Contained, Closed Products	Not Applicable	
Section 1194.26 <u>Desktop and</u> Portable Computers	Not Applicable	
Section 1194.31 <u>Functional</u> <u>Performance Criteria</u>	Supports	The software provides embedded narration for the entire course as well as closed-captioning and a full transcript. In instances where images or narration provide important information the information is fully narrated.
Section 1194.41 <u>Information,</u> Documentation and Support	Supports	Product documentation is available in text form and is available as narration on the ASRT website. Additional support is provided directly to the user upon request by calling ASRT Member Services at 800-444-2778 or email at memberservices@asrt.org.

Section 1194.21 Software Applications and

Operating Systems – Detail			
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Criteria	Supporting Features	Remarks and explanations	
(a) When software is designed to run on a system that has a keyboard, product functions shall be executable from a keyboard where the function itself or the result of performing a function can be discerned textually.	Supports with Exceptions	Within the course itself keystrokes can be used to control course functions. Functions such as opening the course are reliant upon the institution's learning management system.	
(b) Applications shall not disrupt or disable activated features of other products that are identified as accessibility features, where those features are developed and documented according to industry standards. Applications also shall not disrupt or disable activated features of any operating system that are identified as accessibility features where the application programming interface for those accessibility features has been documented by the manufacturer of the operating system and is available to the product developer.	Supports with Exceptions	Using a screen reader program may overlap with the embedded narration in this product. We recommend using either the screen reader program or the embedded narration.	
(c) A well-defined on-screen indication of the current focus shall be provided that moves among interactive interface elements as the	Supports	A progress bar is located at the bottom of each content slide.	

input focus changes. The focus shall be programmatically exposed so that Assistive Technology can track focus and focus changes.		
(d) Sufficient information about a user interface element including the identity, operation and state of the element shall be available to Assistive Technology. When an image represents a program element, the information conveyed by the image must also be available in text.	Supports through Equivalent Facilitation	Some images are used solely to provide engagement to the learner but do not provide content. In cases where the image provides content, the narration describes the important aspects of the image.
(e) When bitmap images are used to identify controls, status indicators, or other programmatic elements, the meaning assigned to those images shall be consistent throughout an application's performance.	Supports	Controls are consistent throughout the course.
(f) Textual information shall be provided through operating system functions for displaying text. The minimum information that shall be made available is text content, text input caret location, and text attributes.	Supports	Closed- captioning is available by selecting the cc symbol at the bottom right of the control bar. A full transcript is also included.
(g) Applications shall not override user selected contrast and color selections and other individual display attributes.	Supports	This software will not interfere with color and contrast selections.
(h) When animation is displayed, the information shall be displayable in at least one non-animated	Supports through Equivalent Facilitation	When the animation provides

presentation mode at the option of the user.		content, the narration describes the important aspects of the image.
<ul> <li>(i) Color coding shall not be used as the only means of conveying information, indicating an action, prompting a response, or distinguishing a visual element.</li> </ul>	Supports	No references to color are used in the product.
(j) When a product permits a user to adjust color and contrast settings, a variety of color selections capable of producing a range of contrast levels shall be provided.	Supports	This software does not allow for changes in color or contrast.
(k) Software shall not use flashing or blinking text, objects, or other elements having a flash or blink frequency greater than 2 Hz and lower than 55 Hz.	Supports	This software does not use flashing or blinking text.
(I) When electronic forms are used, the form shall allow people using Assistive Technology to access the information, field elements, and functionality required for completion and submission of the form, including all directions and cues.	Supports	This software does not use electronic forms.



	and explanations
(a) A text equivalent for every non- text element shall be provided (e.g., via "alt", "longdesc", or in element content).	
(b) Equivalent alternatives for any multimedia presentation shall be synchronized with the presentation.	
(c) Web pages shall be designed so that all information conveyed with color is also available without color, for example from context or markup.	
(d) Documents shall be organized so they are readable without requiring an associated style sheet.	
(e) Redundant text links shall be provided for each active region of a server-side image map.	
(f) Client-side image maps shall be provided instead of server-side image maps except where the regions cannot be defined with an available geometric shape.	
(g) Row and column headers shall be identified for data tables.	
(h) Markup shall be used to associate data cells and header cells for data tables that have two or more logical levels of row or column headers.	
(i) Frames shall be titled with text that facilitates frame identification and navigation	
(j) Pages shall be designed to avoid causing the screen to flicker with a frequency greater than 2 Hz and lower than 55 Hz.	
(k) A text-only page, with equivalent information or functionality, shall be provided to make a web site comply with the provisions of this part, when	

compliance cannot be accomplished in any other way. The content of the text-only page shall be updated whenever the primary page changes. (I) When pages utilize scripting	
languages to display content, or to create interface elements, the information provided by the script shall be identified with functional text that can be read by Assistive Technology.	
(m) When a web page requires that an applet, plug-in or other application be present on the client system to interpret page content, the page must provide a link to a plug-in or applet that complies with §1194.21(a) through (I).	
(n) When electronic forms are designed to be completed on-line, the form shall allow people using Assistive Technology to access the information, field elements, and functionality required for completion and submission of the form, including all directions and cues.	
(o) A method shall be provided that permits users to skip repetitive navigation links.	
(p) When a timed response is required, the user shall be alerted and given sufficient time to indicate more time is required.	

Note to 1194.22: The Board interprets paragraphs (a) through (k) of this section as consistent with the following priority 1 Checkpoints of the Web Content Accessibility Guidelines 1.0 (WCAG 1.0) (May 5 1999) published by the Web Accessibility Initiative of the World Wide Web Consortium: Paragraph (a) - 1.1, (b) - 1.4, (c) - 2.1, (d) - 6.1, (e) - 1.2, (f) - 9.1, (g) - 5.1, (h) - 5.2, (i) - 12.1, (j) - 7.1, (k) - 11.4.

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### Section 1194.23 Telecommunications Products

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Criteria	Supporting Features	Remarks and explanations
(a) Telecommunications products or systems which provide a function allowing voice communication and which do not themselves provide a TTY functionality shall provide a standard non-acoustic connection point for TTYs. Microphones shall be capable of being turned on and off to allow the user to intermix speech with TTY use.		
(b) Telecommunications products which include voice communication functionality shall support all commonly used cross-manufacturer non-proprietary standard TTY signal protocols.		
(c) Voice mail, auto-attendant, and interactive voice response telecommunications systems shall be usable by TTY users with their TTYs.		
(d) Voice mail, messaging, auto- attendant, and interactive voice response telecommunications systems that require a response from a user within a time interval, shall give an alert when the time interval is about to run out, and shall provide sufficient time for the user to indicate more time is required.		

(e) Where provided, caller identification and similar telecommunications functions shall also be available for users of TTYs, and for users who cannot see displays.	
(f) For transmitted voice signals, telecommunications products shall provide a gain adjustable up to a minimum of 20 dB. For incremental volume control, at least one intermediate step of 12 dB of gain shall be provided.	
(g) If the telecommunications product allows a user to adjust the receive volume, a function shall be provided to automatically reset the volume to the default level after every use.	
(h) Where a telecommunications product delivers output by an audio transducer which is normally held up to the ear, a means for effective magnetic wireless coupling to hearing technologies shall be provided.	
(i) Interference to hearing technologies (including hearing aids, cochlear implants, and assistive listening devices) shall be reduced to the lowest possible level that allows a user of hearing technologies to utilize the telecommunications product.	
(j) Products that transmit or conduct information or communication, shall pass through cross-manufacturer, non-proprietary, industry-standard codes, translation protocols, formats or other information necessary to provide the information or communication in a usable format. Technologies which use encoding, signal compression, format	

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transformation, or similar techniques shall not remove information needed for access or shall restore it upon delivery.	
(k)(1) Products which have mechanically operated controls or keys shall comply with the following: Controls and Keys shall be tactilely discernible without activating the controls or keys.	
(k)(2) Products which have mechanically operated controls or keys shall comply with the following: Controls and Keys shall be operable with one hand and shall not require tight grasping, pinching, twisting of the wrist. The force required to activate controls and keys shall be 5 lbs. (22.2N) maximum.	
(k)(3) Products which have mechanically operated controls or keys shall comply with the following: If key repeat is supported, the delay before repeat shall be adjustable to at least 2 seconds. Key repeat rate shall be adjustable to 2 seconds per character.	
(k)(4) Products which have mechanically operated controls or keys shall comply with the following: The status of all locking or toggle controls or keys shall be visually discernible, and discernible either through touch or sound.	

Section 1194.24 Video and Multi-media

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(b) Television tuners, including tuner cards for use in computers, shall be equipped with secondary audio program playback circuitry.	
(c) All training and informational video and multimedia productions which support the agency's mission, regardless of format, that contain speech or other audio information necessary for the comprehension of the content, shall be open or closed captioned.	
(d) All training and informational video and multimedia productions which support the agency's mission, regardless of format, that contain visual information necessary for the comprehension of the content, shall be audio described.	
(e) Display or presentation of alternate text presentation or audio descriptions shall be user-selectable unless permanent.	

### Section 1194.25 Self-Contained, Closed Products – Detail

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Criteria	Supporting Features	Remarks and explanations
(a) Self contained products shall be usable by people with disabilities without requiring an end- user to attach Assistive Technology to the product. Personal headsets for private listening are not Assistive Technology.		
(b) When a timed response is required, the user shall be alerted and given sufficient time to indicate more time is required.		
<ul> <li>(c) Where a product utilizes touchscreens or contact-sensitive controls, an input method shall be provided that complies with §1194.23</li> <li>(k) (1) through (4).</li> </ul>		
(d) When biometric forms of user identification or control are used, an alternative form of identification or activation, which does not require the user to possess particular biological characteristics, shall also be provided.		
(e) When products provide auditory output, the audio signal shall be provided at a standard		

signal level through an industry standard connector that will allow for private listening. The product must provide the ability to interrupt, pause, and restart the audio at anytime.	
(f) When products deliver voice output in a public area, incremental volume control shall be provided with output amplification up to a level of at least 65 dB. Where the ambient noise level of the environment is above 45 dB, a volume gain of at least 20 dB above the ambient level shall be user selectable. A function shall be provided to automatically reset the volume to the default level after every use.	
(g) Color coding shall not be used as the only means of conveying information, indicating an action, prompting a response, or distinguishing a visual element.	
(h) When a product permits a user to adjust color and contrast settings, a range of color selections capable of producing a variety of contrast levels shall be provided.	
(i) Products shall be designed to avoid causing the screen to flicker with a frequency	

greater than 2 Hz and lower than 55 Hz.	
(j) (1) Products which are freestanding, non- portable, and intended to be used in one location and which have operable controls shall comply with the following: The position of any operable control shall be determined with respect to a vertical plane, which is 48 inches in length, centered on the operable control, and at the maximum protrusion of the product within the 48 inch length on products which are freestanding, non-portable, and intended to be used in one location and which have operable controls.	
(j)(2) Products which are freestanding, non- portable, and intended to be used in one location and which have operable controls shall comply with the following: Where any operable control is 10 inches or less behind the reference plane, the height shall be 54 inches maximum and 15 inches minimum above the floor.	
(j)(3) Products which are freestanding, non- portable, and intended to be used in one location and which have operable controls shall comply with the following: Where any operable control is more	

than 10 inches and not more than 24 inches behind the reference plane, the height shall be 46 inches maximum and 15 inches minimum above the floor.	
(j)(4) Products which are freestanding, non- portable, and intended to be used in one location and which have operable controls shall comply with the following: Operable controls shall not be more than 24 inches behind the reference plane.	

Section 1194.26 Desktop and Portable Computers – Detail VPAT™ Voluntary Product Accessibility Template <sup>®</sup>		
Criteria	Supporting Features	Remarks and explanations
(a) All mechanically operated controls and keys shall comply with §1194.23 (k) (1) through (4).		
(b) If a product utilizes touchscreens or touch- operated controls, an input method shall be provided that complies		

with §1194.23 (k) (1) through (4).	
(c) When biometric forms of user identification or control are used, an alternative form of identification or activation, which does not require the user to possess particular biological characteristics, shall also be provided.	
(d) Where provided, at least one of each type of expansion slots, ports and connectors shall comply with publicly available industry standards	

Section 1194.31 Functional Performance Criteria – Detail VPAT™ Voluntary Product Accessibility Template <sup>®</sup>		
Criteria       Supporting Features       Remarks and explanations		
(a) At least one mode of operation and information retrieval that does not require user vision shall be provided, or support for Assistive Technology used by people who are blind or visually impaired shall be provided.	Supports	The software provides embedded narration for the entire course. In instances where images or narration provide important information the information is fully narrated.

(b) At least one mode of operation and information retrieval that does not require visual acuity greater than 20/70 shall be provided in audio and enlarged print output working together or independently, or support for Assistive Technology used by people who are visually impaired shall be provided.	Supports	The software allows for the course window to be enlarged to meet the needs of the learner. Transcripts can similarly be enlarged or printed with larger text.
(c) At least one mode of operation and information retrieval that does not require user hearing shall be provided, or support for Assistive Technology used by people who are deaf or hard of hearing shall be provided	Supports	The software provides closed-captioning of the entire course. Transcripts are also provided.
(d) Where audio information is important for the use of a product, at least one mode of operation and information retrieval shall be provided in an enhanced auditory fashion, or support for assistive hearing devices shall be provided.	Supports through Equivalent Facilitation	This software does not require audio information to use. Closed-captioning is available as are transcripts.
(e) At least one mode of operation and information retrieval that does not require user speech shall be provided, or support for Assistive Technology used by people with disabilities shall be provided.	Not Applicable	This software does not require user speech in order to function.
(f) At least one mode of operation and information retrieval that does not	Supports with Exceptions	This software can be operated using a mouse or keyboard.

require fine motor control or simultaneous actions and that is operable with limited reach and strength shall be provided.		
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### Section 1194.41 Information, Documentation

### and Support – Detail

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Criteria	Supporting Features	Remarks and explanations
(a) Product support documentation provided to end-users shall be made available in alternate formats upon request, at no additional charge	Supports	Product documentation is available in text form and is available as narration on the ASRT website. Sound files can be provided directly to the user upon request by calling ASRT Member Services at 800- 444-2778 or email at memberservices@asrt.org.
(b) End-users shall have access to a description of the accessibility and compatibility features of products in alternate formats or alternate methods upon request, at no additional charge.	Supports	Accessibility and compatibility descriptions are available in text form and are available as narration on the ASRT website. Sound files can be provided directly to the user upon request by calling ASRT Member Services at 800-444-2778 or email at memberservices@asrt.org.

(c) Support services for products shall accommodate the communication needs of end-users with disabilities.	Supports	Support services are available in text form on the ASRT website. Audio support can be provided by calling ASRT Member Services at 800-444-2778. Text-based support is available via email at memberservices@asrt.org.
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