

# VPAT™

## Voluntary Product Accessibility Template®

### Version 1.3

The purpose of the **Voluntary Product Accessibility Template**, or **VPAT™**, 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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**Name of Product:** MIT Press Journals Website  
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### *Summary Table*

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<i>Criteria</i>	<b>Supporting Features</b>	<b>Remarks and explanations</b>
Section 1194.21 <a href="#">Software</a>	Not applicable	

<a href="#">Applications and Operating Systems</a>		
Section 1194.22 <a href="#">Web-based Internet Information and Applications</a>	Supported, with exceptions	
Section 1194.23 <a href="#">Telecommunications Products</a>	Not applicable	
Section 1194.24 <a href="#">Video and Multi-media Products</a>	Not applicable	
Section 1194.25 <a href="#">Self-Contained, Closed Products</a>	Not applicable	
Section 1194.26 <a href="#">Desktop and Portable Computers</a>	Not applicable	
Section 1194.31 <a href="#">Functional Performance Criteria</a>	Supported, with exceptions	
Section 1194.41 <a href="#">Information, Documentation and Support</a>	Not applicable	

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## ***Section 1194.22 Web-based Internet information and applications – Detail***

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<b><i>Criteria</i></b>	<b>Supporting Features</b>	<b>Remarks and explanations</b>
(a) A text equivalent for every non-text element shall be provided (e.g., via "alt", "longdesc", or in element content).	Supported. All non-text elements created by the software hosting provider contain alt-tags.	Publisher content does not currently include text equivalents for all non-text elements.
(b) Equivalent alternatives for any	Not supported.	Publisher

multimedia presentation shall be synchronized with the presentation.		content does not currently include alternatives equivalents for all multimedia elements.
(c) Web pages shall be designed so that all information conveyed with color is also available without color, for example from context or markup.	Supported	
(d) Documents shall be organized so they are readable without requiring an associated style sheet.	Supported	
(e) Redundant text links shall be provided for each active region of a server-side image map.	No image maps used	
(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.	No image maps used	
(g) Row and column headers shall be identified for data tables.	Supported	
(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.	Supported	
(i) Frames shall be titled with text that facilitates frame identification and navigation	No frames used	
(j) Pages shall be designed to avoid causing the screen to flicker with a frequency greater than 2 Hz and lower than 55 Hz.	Supported	
(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	Pages are coded to present content in text format	

accomplished in any other way. The content of the text-only page shall be updated whenever the primary page changes.		
(l) 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.	Supported	
(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 (l).	Supported	
(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.	Supported	
(o) A method shall be provided that permits users to skip repetitive navigation links.	Supported	
(p) When a timed response is required, the user shall be alerted and given sufficient time to indicate more time is required.	No timed responses	

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 1194.31 Functional Performance**

### **Criteria – Detail**

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<b>Criteria</b>	<b>Supporting Features</b>	<b>Remarks and explanations</b>
(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.	Default view supports assistive technology	
(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.	Default view supports assistive technology	
(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	Default view supports assistive technology	

deaf or hard of hearing shall be 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.	Default view supports assistive technology.	Publisher audio content does not currently include text equivalents for non-text elements.
(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.	No user speech required	
(f) At least one mode of operation and information retrieval that does not require fine motor control or simultaneous actions and that is operable with limited reach and strength shall be provided.	No fine motor control or simultaneous actions required	

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