

ACCESSIBILITY COMPLIANCE CHECKLIST

<https://accessibility.18f.gov/checklist>

A.Critical

1. Site is keyboard accessible

- All interactions can be accessed with a keyboard

A1 Response : This is part of our standard ambition for any build and we will be testing this when the build approaches completion

2. Site is free of keyboard traps

- The keyboard focus is never trapped in a loop

A2 Response: We are building with this in mind. This will be tested prior to launch

3. All form inputs have explicit labels

A3 Response: All inputs have visual labels and ARIA-label attributes for the benefit of screen readers

4. All relevant images use an img tag

A4 Response: Confirmed: - the only background images in use on the site are for decorative artwork. All "content" images use img tags.

5. All images have alt attributes

A5: Confirmed. Many alt attributes require real content to be added, but at the point of completion this should be achieved.

6. Multimedia is tagged

- All multimedia has appropriate captioning and audio description

A6 Response: Not currently applicable – no video/audio used in the build. Needs to be reviewed when Story design and content is finalised. RDT may need to make budgetary allowance for subtitling.

7. Text has sufficient colour contrast

A7 Response: 98% of text is black on white or white on black so this should be fine. The search form in the header and newsletter form will need automated colour contrast testing to ensure the grays used are compatible with this requirement.

B. Less Critical

1. Site never loses focus

- Focus is always visible when moving through the page with the keyboard

B1 Response: This will be tested as part of our review for A1/A2.

2. Tab order is logical

B2 Response: As above.

3. Form instructions are associated with inputs

B3 Response: Confirmed.

4. Site doesn't timeout unexpectedly

- Identify elements that may "timeout" and verify that the user can request more time

B4 Response: Should be N/A as currently no parts of pages are loaded dynamically.

5. Tables are coded properly

- Tables have proper headers and column attributes

B5 Response: N/A - tables not currently used.

6. Headings are nested properly

—Heading elements are nested in a logical way

B6 Response: Confirmed.

C. Minor

1. Frames are named

—All frames have a name element

C1 Response: N/A - frames not currently used.

2. Flashing elements are compliant

—Elements that flash on screen do so at a rate of less than 3 Hz

C2 Response: N/A - no flashing elements used.

3. Language is set

—The language for the page is set

—The language for sections on the page that differ from the site language are set

C3 Response: Confirmed.

4. CSS is not required to use the page

—The page makes sense with or without CSS

C4 Response: The majority of content is accessible without CSS however parts of the page are somewhat visually cluttered as a consequence. We believe this requirement is met in the sense that the page is usable and content can be seen.

5. Links are unique and contextual

— All links can be understood taken alone, i.e 'Read more - about 508'

C5 Response: This needs a content review really.

6. Page titles are descriptive

C6 Reponse: Confirmed.

7. Required plugins are linked on the page

C7: N/A - no plugins used.