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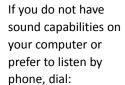


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Accessible Routes on Sites

Session Agenda

- Site Arrival Points
- Within Sites
- Recreation Facilities
- Entrances
- Technical Requirements

ADA & ABA Standards

ADA Standards:

- places of public accommodation
- commercial facilities
- state & local government facilities



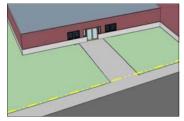
Architectural Barriers Act (ABA) Standards:

• Federally funded facilities

Site Arrival Points (§206.2.1) At least one AR within the site from site arrival points to accessible facility entrance they serve accessible parking & passenger loading zones public transportation stops

Site Arrival Points

Connection to public streets & sidewalks - may require coordination with local jurisdictions.



Board developing guidelines for public rights-of-way.

Public Rights-of-Way

New guidelines will address:

- Sidewalks and street crossings
- "Pedestrian access routes"
- Shared-use paths
- Medians and traffic islands
- On-street parking
- Pedestrian signals
- Street furniture and other elements

Board is finalizing guidelines

Site Arrival Points

AR not required where only means of access is vehicular way not providing pedestrian access (§206.2.1 & §206.2.2)



Parking Spaces (§208)

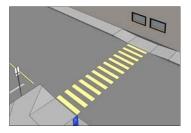
AR must connect to access aisles at accessible parking spaces



Recommended: connect AR to front of aisle to prevent travel behind parked cars

ARs & Vehicular Ways

ARs that cross vehicular ways are not required by the standards to be marked



Passenger & Bus Loading Zones (§209)

AR must serve accessible passenger loading zones and bus loading zones



Public Transportation Stops (§209 & 218)

AR must connect bus boarding/alighting areas to sidewalks and streets and to bus shelters.



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Alterations (§202)

AR from site arrival points required when:

- Circulation paths altered or added
- Alterations made to area containing a primary function (required "accessible path of travel")

Alterations (§202.3)

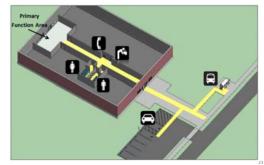
Altered spaces and elements, including circulation paths, required to comply.

Exception where meeting the standards is "technically infeasible" (e.g., existing physical or site constraints prohibit full compliance).

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Path of Travel (§202.4)

Example path of travel



Path of Travel

Accessible Path of travel is required to the extent that it is not "disproportionate" to the project cost (more than 20%)

Compliance required up to the 20% limit

AR Within Sites (§206.2.2)

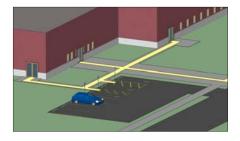
At least one AR must connect on the same site accessible:

- buildings & facilities
- elements
- spaces

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Entrances (§206.4)

Each accessible entrance must be on an AR

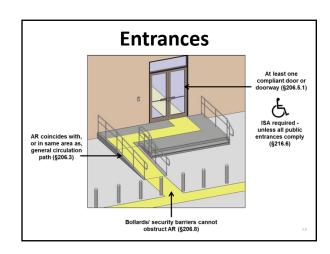


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Entrances

Access to at least 60% of public entrances, in addition to:

- each direct access from parking structures
- direct access from tunnels or elevated walkways
- at least one entrance to each tenancy
- different fixed routes in transit facilities & direct connections
- restricted & secured entrances (at least 1)







Security Check Points(206.8)

Security screening devices cannot obstruct AR.



AR can bypass metal detectors and other devices that cannot comply - equivalent level of visual contact with personal items required.

Accessible Routes



If circulation path is interior,
AR must be interior

Accessible Routes

Accessible routes must connect to each:

accessible room and space story (unless an exception applies)

Level on a floor required to be accessible accessible element

Press Boxes (§206.2.7)

Exempt if 500 sq ft or less (aggregate) and

- Located on bleachers entered on 1 level
- or elevated 12' or more (free standing)





Press Boxes

Square footage applies to the gross floor area (including exterior) of all press boxes serving a playing field or other assembly area



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Recreation Facilities

- Amusement Rides
- Recreational Boating Facilities
- Fishing Piers & Platforms
- Golf Facilities
- Miniature Golf Facilities
- Sports Facilities
- Play Areas

Amusement Rides (§202.2.9)

AR must serve:

- Load & unload areas for every ride
- Wheelchair spaces, ride seats designed for transfer, transfer devices
- Including rides not required to have access features (e.g., rides for small children, rides without seats or that are controlled/operated by the rider)

Amusement rides

accessible route

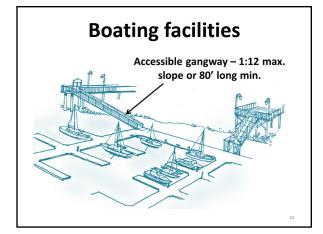
Boating Facilities (§202.2.10) AR must serve accessible boat slips & boarding piers at boat launch ramps

Boating Facilities

Exceptions for gangways (§1003.2.):

- Not required to exceed 80' steeper slope allowed (30' at facilities with < 25 boat slips)
- No limit on rise
- Gangways that connect to transition plates landings, handrail extensions not req'd
- Alterations to existing gangways

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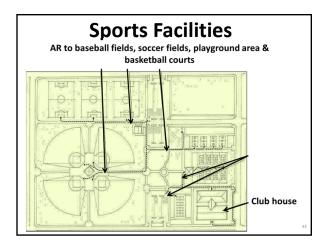


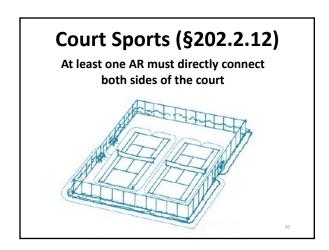
Miniature Golf (§202.2.16)

- AR must connect accessible holes (50% min., consecutive)
- AR from last compliant hole to course entrance/ exit without travel through other holes









Fishing Piers & Platforms (§202.2.14)

AR required to connect fishing piers & platforms, including floating piers (exceptions for gangways)



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Golf Facilities (§202.2.15)

At least one AR <u>or golf car passage</u> must connect accessible elements & spaces within boundary of golf course

Must serve: golf car rental areas, bag drop areas, weather shelters, toilet rooms, practice putting greens & teeing grounds, teeing stations at driving ranges





Play Areas (§202.2.17)

At least one AR must connect to accessible:

- Ground level play components
- Elevated play components (50% min.)
- Soft contained play structures



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Play Areas

AR & other accessible surfaces must meet ASTM standards for:

- accessibility (ASTM F 1951)
- impact attenuation (ASTM F 1292) within use zones



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Outdoor Developed Areas (ABA)

New guidelines for outdoor areas developed by Federal agencies address:

- Trails
- Picnic & camping areas
- Viewing areas
- Outdoor recreation access routes
- Beach access routes



Technical Requirements

Ground/ Floor Surfaces (§302)

must be firm, stable, "slip-resistant"



Loose materials generally not compliant (unless properly treated)

Ground/ Floor Surfaces

Rough surfaces (e.g, cobblestones) make wheelchair travel difficult and uncomfortable.



Recommended: Avoid materials or construction methods that create bumpy and uneven surfaces

Ground/ Floor Surfaces

• Slip-resistance: specific value (coefficient of friction) not specified

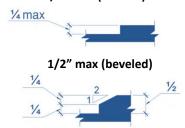


- Carpet
- Openings (prevent passage of ½ diameter sphere; elongated = perpendicular to dominant travel direction)



Changes in Level (§303)

1/4" max (vertical)



> 1/2": ramp or curb ramp

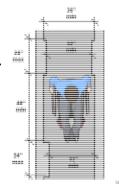
AR Components (§402)

- walking surfaces (403)
- doors, doorways, gates (404)
- ramps and curb ramps (405 & 406)
- elevators (407 409)
- platform lifts (410)



Walking Surfaces (§403)

- Clear width
- Passing Space
- Running Slope 1:20 max.
- Cross Slope 1:48 max.
- Changes in level
- Surfaces
- Handrails



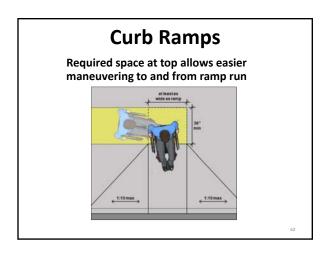
Ramps (§405)

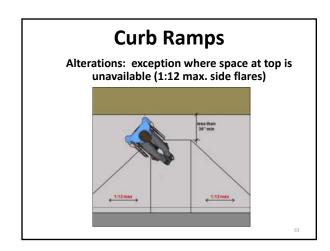
- slope: 1:12 max.
- cross slope: 1:48 max.
- clear width: 36" min.
- rise: 30" max.
- level landings
- handrails (both sides)
- edge protection



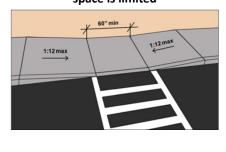
Ramps: Edge Protection Curb/barrier that prevents passage of 4" diameter sphere or extended surface beyond handrail curb rail or other barrier vertical pickets extended platform

Curb Ramps (§406) Sufficient space (36" deep min) required at top of curb ramps Curb ramps cannot protrude into access aisle



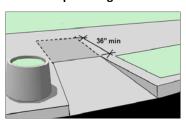


Curb Ramps Parallel ramps provide option where space is limited



Curb Ramps

Curb ramps with returned sides must have a top landing in all cases



Detectable Warnings

Required on curb ramps at:

- Transit facilities (§406.8, DOT standards)
- FHWY funded projects
- Other public sidewalks (recommended new ROW guidelines to address)





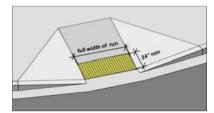
Not required on curb ramps at:

• Facilities (non-transit) located on sites

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Detectable Warnings

- Full width of the curb ramp (excluding side flares)
- 24" deep min. measured from the back of the (can extend full depth of ramp)



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Platform Lifts (§206.7)

In new construction, permitted where existing exterior site constraints/ topography make ramp or elevator infeasible

Example: new building constructed between/ connected to two existing buildings - insufficient space to coordinate floor levels or to provide ramped entry from the public way

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Platform Lifts

Also permitted to provide access to:

- performance areas/ speakers' platforms
- wheelchair spaces in assembly areas
- incidental spaces
- judicial spaces
- amusement ride load/unload areas
- team/player seating
- boating facilities, fishing piers & platforms
- play areas
- levels in guest rooms & residential dwelling units

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