



# Section 508 Voluntary Product Accessibility Template (VPAT)

The purpose of the Section 508 Voluntary Product Accessibility Template, or VPAT, is to assist federal contracting officials in making preliminary assessments regarding the availability of commercial electronic and information technology products and services with features that support accessibility. It is assumed that offerors will provide additional contact information to facilitate more detailed inquiries.

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# Section 1194.21

## Software Applications and Operating Systems

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	Keyboard functions follow standard web browser keyboard functions.
(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	NXT products will not interfere or disrupt other applications or operating system functionality.
(c) A well-defined on-screen indication of the current focus shall be provided that moves among interactive interface elements as the input focus changes. The focus shall be programmatically exposed so that Assistive Technology can track focus and focus changes.	Supports	NXT website is accessed through the web browser and the browser will utilize standard screen reader technologies to assist the user in navigation and focus of UI elements. HTML elements are labeled and tagged with alt text attributes specifically to assist screen readers.
(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	NXT website is accessed through the web browser and the browser will utilize assistive technologies for the user in navigation and focus of UI elements. Any imagery from the out-of-the-box UI also provides alt text description. Customers can further customize the UI by editing the HTML, JavaScript, XSL, and CSS templates.
(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	Images in the NXT website all provide textual alternate descriptions and these descriptions remain consistent throughout the website.

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(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	NXT operates through a web browser which uses standard operating system features for text display and delivery.
(g) Applications shall not override user selected contrast and color selections and other individual display attributes.	Supports	Out of the box NXT UI is written in HTML 5 and does not override user settings for display.
(h) When animation is displayed, the information shall be displayable in at least one non-animated presentation mode at the option of the user.	Supports	NXT does not have any built in animations.
(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.	Supports	<p>NXT uses color coding to highlight search results but it is not the only means of conveying hit results.</p> <p>Highlighting of words or phrases in documents from search results is done by injecting HTML snippets both before and after each of the terms. By default, the HTML snippet used sets the font color to white and the font background to blue but any HTML snippet can be used.</p>
(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	NXT operates through the web browser and the browser will support user defined settings for color/contrast configurations.
(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	NXT does not have any flashing or blinking elements in it the product line.
(l) 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	NXT allows access via assistive technology to information, field elements and functionality required for completion and submission of forms.

# Section 1194.22

## Web-based Internet Information and Applications

\* Refer to (<http://www.access-board.gov/sec508/guide/1194.22.htm>) for details on the guidelines listed below.

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(a) A text equivalent for every non-text element shall be provided (e.g., via "alt", "longdesc", or in element content).	Supports	NXT UI provides alternate descriptions for all non-text elements.
(b) Equivalent alternatives for any multimedia presentation shall be synchronized with the presentation.	Not Applicable	NXT does not contain any multimedia presentation 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.	Supports	Color is used only as an enhancement, not as the only way to convey information or indicate an action.
(d) Documents shall be organized so they are readable without requiring an associated style sheet.	Supports	Style sheets may be used for layout, but the document is still readable and understandable (even if less visually appealing) when the style sheet is turned off.
(e) Redundant text links shall be provided for each active region of a server-side image map.	Not Applicable	NXT does not contain any server-side image maps.
(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.	Not Applicable	NXT does not contain any image maps.
(g) Row and column headers shall be identified for data tables.	Supports	Labels for rows and columns in data tables are provided – import of many documents that already have such labels are there automatically.
(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.	Supports	Building documents with tables is automatically supported and displayed in UI appropriately.
(i) Frames shall be titled with text that facilitates frame identification and navigation	Supports	All frames are titled.
(j) Pages shall be designed to avoid causing the screen to flicker with a frequency greater than 2 Hz and lower than 55 Hz.	Supports	NXT UI uses standard HTML 5 and JavaScript programming for a universal standard display through most common browser brands and will not cause undue flicker.

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<p>(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.</p>	Supports	<p>A text-only version is created only when there is no other way to make the content accessible or when it offers significant advantages over the main version for certain disability types.</p>
<p>(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.</p>	Supports	<p>All JavaScript generated interface elements contain appropriate and meaningful information to allow for identification by Assistive Technology.</p>
<p>(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).</p>	Supports	<p>NXT does not utilize any Java applets or require a user to install plug-ins to use the NXT website. However, if the customer builds and indexes certain binary document types (such as PDF or Word) then the user may need a plug-in on their machine to view that binary document type. The customer can also customize the UI code to include applets if desired.</p>
<p>(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.</p>	Supports	<p>NXT allows access via assistive technology to information, field elements and functionality required for completion and submission of forms.</p>
<p>(o) A method shall be provided that permits users to skip repetitive navigation links.</p>	Supports	<p>NXT provides simple navigation capabilities for users such as reference paths, direct document links in hit list results and quick access to search forms and other elements in the UI – Additional customization can be performed by the customer as needed.</p>
<p>(p) When a timed response is required, the user shall be alerted and given sufficient time to indicate more time is required.</p>	Supports	<p>NXT does not have any timed elements.</p>

## Section 1194.41 Information, Documentation and Support

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	NXT end-user help is provided in text form out of the box. Images contain alt descriptive text.
(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	See product documentation.
(c) Support services for products shall accommodate the communication needs of end-users with disabilities.	Supports	Support services are available via web, phone, e-mail, chat, screen sharing, and discussion forums.

