

## RESOURCES:

### Physical Accessibility under the ADA and Related Laws

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*This document sets out a variety of resources for those interested in enhancing physical access under the Americans with Disabilities Act and related statutes. All references are to links that are available to the public without charge or subscription.*

#### I. STATUTES AND REGULATIONS

Americans with Disabilities Act (as amended by the ADA Amendments Act, effective January 1, 2009; and the ADA before the amendments):

<http://www.ada.gov/pubs/ada.htm>

Overview and text:

<http://www.access-board.gov/about/laws/ada.htm#Text>

ADA Amendments Act resources:

<http://www.law.georgetown.edu/archiveada/#News>

Title II regulation (Department of Justice), 28 C.F.R. Part 35:

<http://www.ed.gov/policy/rights/reg/ocr/edlite-28cfr35.html>

Title III regulation (Department of Justice), 28 CFR Part 36:

[www.ada.gov/reg3a.html](http://www.ada.gov/reg3a.html)

ADA Standards for Accessible Design:

[www.ada.gov/stdspdf.htm](http://www.ada.gov/stdspdf.htm)

Uniform Federal Accessibility Standards:

[www.access-board.gov/ufas/ufas-html/ufas.htm](http://www.access-board.gov/ufas/ufas-html/ufas.htm)

DOT's ADA regulations, 49 C.F.R. Part 37:

[http://www.access.gpo.gov/nara/cfr/waisidx\\_03/49cfr37\\_03.html](http://www.access.gpo.gov/nara/cfr/waisidx_03/49cfr37_03.html)

Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended

Section 504 is part of title V of the Act:

<http://www.access-board.gov/enforcement/Rehab-Act-text/intro.htm>

[Note: this version does not include amendments made by the ADA Amendments Act, effective January 1, 2009.]

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Section 504 regulations of the Department of Justice for federally assisted programs, 28 C.F.R. Part 41:

[http://www.access.gpo.gov/nara/cfr/waisidx\\_03/28cfr41\\_03.html](http://www.access.gpo.gov/nara/cfr/waisidx_03/28cfr41_03.html)

Section 504 regulations of the Department of Education for federally assisted programs, 34 C.F.R. Part 104:

[http://www.access.gpo.gov/nara/cfr/waisidx\\_99/34cfr104\\_99.html](http://www.access.gpo.gov/nara/cfr/waisidx_99/34cfr104_99.html)

American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) of 2009, signed by the President February 17, 2009:

[http://frwebgate.access.gpo.gov/cgi-bin/getdoc.cgi?dbname=111\\_cong\\_bills&docid=f:h1enr.pdf](http://frwebgate.access.gpo.gov/cgi-bin/getdoc.cgi?dbname=111_cong_bills&docid=f:h1enr.pdf)

ARRA summaries, timelines, and implementation information:

<http://www.recovery.gov/>

ARRA statement by the Access Board:

<http://www.access-board.gov/recovery>

ARRA statement by the Department of Justice:

<http://www.ada.gov/reinvestact.htm>

### FAIR HOUSING AMENDMENTS ACT

Summaries and accessibility guidelines:

[www.fairhousingfirst.org](http://www.fairhousingfirst.org)

**II. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE** (see generally [www.ada.gov](http://www.ada.gov), DOJ's ADA web site)

#### **A. DOJ's proposed ADA regulations**

Notices of proposed rulemaking:

73 Fed Reg 34465-34557 and 36964-37055 (June 17 and 30, 2008)

At [www.ada.gov](http://www.ada.gov):

- Proposed rules for title II and title III
- Proposed standards (2004 ADA Guidelines from Access Board (ADAAG)) (also at [www.access-board.gov](http://www.access-board.gov))
- Public hearing (webcast) July 15, 2008

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- Appendix A: DOJ's analysis of comments on Advanced Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (2004) and ADAAG provisions
- Appendix B: Regulatory impact analysis (RIA) (methodology, costs/benefits)

Public comments submitted on DOJ's proposed regulations:

Go to [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) and search for ADA, then click on DOJ

Side-by-side comparison of 2004 ADAAG, the original ADA Standards, and the International Building Code (2003 edition):

<http://www.access-board.gov/ada-aba/comparison/index.htm>

#### **B. Technical assistance materials**

Title II Technical Assistance Manual and supplement:

<http://www.ada.gov/taman2.html>

<http://www.ada.gov/taman2up.html>

Title III Technical Assistance Manual and supplement:

<http://www.ada.gov/taman3.html>

<http://www.ada.gov/taman3up.html>

ADA Best Practices Tool Kit for State and Local Governments:

<http://www.ada.gov/pcatoolkit/toolkitmain.htm>

An ADA Guide for Local Governments: Making Community Emergency Preparedness and Response Programs Accessible to People with Disabilities:

<http://www.ada.gov/emergencyprepguide.htm>

#### **III. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

OCR Case Processing Manual (2008):

<http://www.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ocr/docs/ocrcpm.html>

“Dear Colleague” letter re: title II, section 504, returning veterans (July 25, 2008):

<http://www.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ocr/letters/colleague-20080725.html>

#### **IV. EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS**

Web sites with helpful resources and links:

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[www.disabilitypreparedness.gov](http://www.disabilitypreparedness.gov)

[www.access-board.gov](http://www.access-board.gov)

<http://www.disabilityinfo.gov/digov-public/public/DisplayPage.do?parentFolderId=213>

<http://www.espfocus.org/> (individual preparedness)

NFPA's Emergency Evacuation Planning Guide for People with Disabilities

<http://www.nfpa.org/assets/files/PDF/Forms/EvacuationGuide.pdf>

National Council on Disability: Including People with Disabilities in Emergency Planning

[http://www.ncd.gov/newsroom/publications/2005/saving\\_lives.htm](http://www.ncd.gov/newsroom/publications/2005/saving_lives.htm)

From the Federal Emergency Management Agency:

Comprehensive Preparedness Guide 301: Special Needs Planning

<http://www.fema.gov/news/newsrelease.fema?id=45436>

Accommodating Individuals with Disabilities in the Provision of Disaster Mass Care, Housing, and Human Services (Section 689 reference guide)

<http://www.fema.gov/oer/reference/index.shtm>

Preparing for Disaster for People with Disabilities and other Special Needs

<http://www.fema.gov/library/viewRecord.do?id=1442>

Dealing with Disabilities: Tips for First Responders

<http://www.hhs.gov/od/tips.html>

Transportation and Emergency Preparedness Checklist

<http://www.dotcr.ost.dot.gov/Documents/Emergency/Emergency%20Checklist.doc>

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