

Accessibility Guidelines for NERCOMP Professional Development Material

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NERCOMP Accessibility Statement

NERCOMP is committed to ensuring digital accessibility for all individuals, including those with disabilities. We continually strive to enhance the user experience for everyone by applying recognized accessibility standards and guidelines to our website, digital services, and resources.

Our Commitment

NERCOMP is dedicated to making our digital content and services accessible in accordance with:

- Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (WCAG) 2.2, Level AA
- Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)
- Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended

We believe that all users should be able to navigate, understand, and interact with our digital content, regardless of physical or cognitive ability.

Ongoing Efforts

NERCOMP continuously evaluates and improves the accessibility of its digital platforms through:

- Regular accessibility audits using both automated tools and manual testing
- Staff training on digital accessibility best practices
- Integrating accessibility into our design and development processes
- Collaborating with member institutions and partners to share resources and expertise

Accessibility Guidelines for Partners and Vendors

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- Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)
- Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended

To support this commitment, we ask that all Microsoft Office files (Excel, PowerPoint, and Word), PDFs, and videos (with captions) submitted to NERCOMP for public distribution comply with these accessibility guidelines.

To support compliance, we encourage you to review accessibility best practices and coordinate with your organization to ensure submitted files meet these standards. Where appropriate, an accessible webpage may be submitted in place of a file.

Resources for Best Practices

- [Improve the accessibility of Microsoft Office documents with the Accessibility Checker](#)
 - [Making Word documents accessible](#)
 - [Making PowerPoint presentations accessible](#)
 - [Making Excel spreadsheets accessible](#)
- [Check and fix accessibility issues in PDF files with Adobe Acrobat Pro](#)