Voluntary Product Accessibility Template® (VPAT®)

Revised Section 508 Edition

Version 2.4

About This Document

The VPAT is provided in four editions based on the standards/guidelines being evaluated. The editions are WCAG, Revised 508, EN 301 549 and International, which includes all of the standards.

This is the Revised Section 508 edition of the VPAT. It includes the following standards/guidelines:

- [Web Content Accessibility Guidelines 2.0](#)

- [Revised Section 508 standards published January 18, 2017 and corrected January 22, 2018](#)

If you need a different combination of standards/guidelines then use the appropriate alternate edition of the VPAT found on the [ITI Accessibility web page](#).

This document is broken into two main sections:

- Essential Requirements and Best Practices for using the VPAT® to complete an Accessibility Conformance Report (the instructions)

- The VPAT

Please carefully review the Essential Requirements and Best Practices sections before using the VPAT to create an Accessibility Conformance Report.

The purpose of these instructions is to promote accurate and consistent reporting of product accessibility information.

The VPAT is a template used to document a product's conformance with accessibility standards and guidelines. The purpose of the Accessibility Conformance Report is to assist customers and buyers in making preliminary assessments regarding the availability of commercial "Electronic and Information Technology," also referred to as "Information and Communication Technology" (ICT) products and services with features that support accessibility.

The Information Technology Industry Council (ITI) provides the VPAT. Use of the template and service mark does not require membership in ITI.

Essential Requirements and Best Practices for Information & Communications Technology (ICT) Vendors

This section provides guidance for reporting product conformance for major accessibility standards and guidelines using the VPAT® to produce the Accessibility Conformance Report. Deviating from these guidelines precludes vendors from referencing the template by name and/or the VPAT acronym.

Getting Started

1. Before creating a report, read all of the materials provided in this document.

2. Determine which accessibility standards/guidelines will be included in the Accessibility Conformance Report and use the appropriate VPAT file.

3. It is the vendor's responsibility to maintain the integrity of the data in the report.

Essential Requirements for Authors

The following are the minimum requirements to produce an Accessibility Conformance Report based on the VPAT®.

1. The VPAT name and template are registered service marks of ITI. Use of the VPAT template and name requires the inclusion of the registered service mark (i.e., "VPAT®"). Users of the VPAT agree not to deviate from the Essential Requirements for Authors.

2. The template file can be used as is or replicated in a different delivery format, for example as HTML or PDF. The final conformance report must be accessible.

3. A report must contain the following content at a minimum:

   - **Report Title** – In the heading format of "[Company Name] Accessibility Conformance Report"

   - **VPAT Heading Information** – Template version

   - **Name of Product/Version** – Name of Product being reported, including product version identifier if necessary

- **Report Date** – Date of report publication. At a minimum, provide the month and year of the report publication. For example, "May 2016". If date is included, ensure it is clear "4 May 2016" or "May 4, 2016".

- **Product Description** – A brief description of the product

- **Contact Information** – Contact Information for follow-up questions. Listing an email is sufficient.

- **Notes** – Any details or further explanation about the product or the report. This section may be left blank.

- **Evaluation Methods Used** – Include a description of evaluation methods used to complete the VPAT for the product under test.

- **Applicable Standards/Guidelines** – A clear indication of which Standards/Guidelines this Conformance Report covers.
    - The list must include only the Standards/Guidelines used to evaluate the product.
    - The applicable Standards/Guidelines that are included in this VPAT edition are:
        - [Web Content Accessibility Guidelines 2.0](#) or WCAG 2.0 (ISO/IEC 40500)
        - [Revised Section 508 standards](#) – the U.S. Federal accessibility standard for ICT Products, published by the U.S. Access Board in the Federal Register on January 18, 2017 and corrected on January 22, 2018
    - If other Standards/Guidelines are reported, then use the appropriate VPAT edition.
    - This information can be in a table format at the top of the report with the table heading 'Standards/Guidelines' and the reported Standards/Guidelines identified. This information can alternatively be supplied in the introductory text of the report. In the VPAT we have used a table as an example and listed "(yes / no)" for each standard/guideline. To indicate what the report covers leave the appropriate yes or no on each standard/guideline.
    - If multiple Standards or Guideline tables are included, each table must identify the Standard or Guideline that the criteria in that table represent.

- **Terms** – The report must list the definition of the terms used in the Conformance Level column. ITI recommends the following terms. If a vendor deviates from the ITI definitions, the vendor shall reference this change in the

heading Notes section. If a term is not used it can be removed from the list. The ITI definitions are: This can only be used in WCAG 2.x Level AAA

- **Supports**: The functionality of the product has at least one method that meets the criterion without known defects or meets with equivalent facilitation.

- **Partially Supports**: Some functionality of the product does not meet the criterion.

- **Does Not Support**: The majority of product functionality does not meet the criterion.

- **Not Applicable**: The criterion is not relevant to the product.

Note: When filling in the WCAG tables, a response may use 'Supports' where one might otherwise be inclined to use 'Not Applicable'. This is in keeping with WCAG 2.0 Understanding Conformance: This means that if there is no content to which a success criterion applies, the success criterion is satisfied.

- **Not Evaluated**: The product has not been evaluated against the criterion. This can only be used in WCAG 2.x Level AAA.

- **Tables for Each Standard or Guideline** – Tables showing the responses to the criteria.

4. WCAG Conformance Information – The answers in the WCAG success criteria are based on the level of conformance being reported (Level A, AA or AAA).

- These tables are used to answer:

  - Revised Section 508:

    - Chapter 5 Software
    - Chapter 6 Support Documentation

  - The selected levels of WCAG 2.0 Guidelines.

- If using a summary table, due to answers applying to multiple criteria, when answering for the Revised Section 508, the answers need to be clear about which individual criteria the answer applies to. It is possible to either use a summary, selecting the worst case for the criteria, or to have separate answers or even tables for software, support documentation, authoring tools, etc., so long as the methodology used is made clear.

5. Remarks and Explanations – Detailed remarks should be provided in the Remarks and Explanations column to justify your answer in the Conformance Level column.

- When the conformance level is 'Partially Supports' or 'Does Not Support', the remarks should identify:

1. The functions or features with issues

2. How they do not fully support

- If the criterion does not apply, explain why.

- If an accessible alternative is used, describe it.

6. In the Section 508 tables, when subsections of criteria do not apply to the product, the section may be summarized or removed as long as an explanation is provided explaining why a criterion does not apply. Another alternative is to leave the table and add a summary why the section does not apply. For example, in Chapter 5 the criteria in 502 and 503 will not apply to a web only application, thus those sections can be removed with a summary in the notes for the chapter, or a row in the table.

Best Practices for Authors

ITI suggests that authors adopt the following best practices when using the VPAT® to create an Accessibility Conformance Report.

- **Branding Header:** Company logo or branding information

- **Report Date Changes:** If a report is revised, change the report date and explain the revision in the Notes section. Alternately, create a new report and explain in the Notes section that it supersedes an earlier version of the report.

- **Notes:** Add any notes applicable to product or the report
    - Additional information about the product version that the document references
    - Any revisions to the document
    - Links to any related documents
    - Additional information describing the product
    - Additional information about what the document does or does not cover
    - Information suggested by the [WCAG 2.0 Conformance Claim](#)
    - Information needed to satisfy ISO/IEC 17050-1:2004, Supplier's Declaration of Conformity

- **Evaluation Methods Used –** Information to enter may include the following:
    - Testing is based on general product knowledge
    - Similar to another evaluated product
    - Testing with assistive technologies

- Published test method (provide name, publisher, URL link)
- Vendor proprietary test method
- Other test method

- **Remarks and Explanations:** This section may include:
  - Information regarding the testing of a given criteria.
  - Information on application dependencies to support accessibility (e.g. OS, app frameworks, browsers recommended).
  - How the customer can find more information about accessibility issues. One method can be to include the bug ID where customers can call the company's customer support to get additional information.
  - Known workarounds for accessibility issues.

- **Legal Disclaimer:** Area for any legal disclaimer text required by your organization.

- **Report Size:** To reduce the size of the report it is acceptable to remove sections. Individual criteria cannot be removed, only sections at a time. Section removal is acceptable in four situations:
  - When an entire section is not being reported on because it does not apply to the product, for example:
    - Chapter 4: Hardware. Information should be included in the notes for that section why it has been removed.
    - A card reader that doesn't have sound could remove the criteria in section 413 Closed Caption Processing Technologies and just note the why the criteria doesn't apply.
  - If the product is not being evaluated for a level of the criteria (for example Level AAA) then that table may be deleted.
  - If a requesting customer has identified that a section of the standard does not apply, information should be included in the notes that the section has been removed.

- **WCAG 2.0 Tables:** The WCAG 2.0 criteria are shown in three tables, Level A, Level AA, and Level AAA.
  - If desired, these tables can be combined into one table.
  - When reporting on a level (A, AA or AAA) all criteria for that level must be answered.

- **Language:** Translation to other languages is permitted.

- **Multiple Reports:** When using the VPAT to create an Accessibility Conformance Report for complex products it may be helpful to separate answers into multiple reports. For example, when a product is an Authoring Tool that also has web content and documentation. When multiple reports are used for a complex product, it is required to explain this and how to reach the other reports in the Notes section of each report.

- **Criteria Text:** To help conserve space in the ITI template only the criteria ID number and a short title have been included. Where possible, links have been included to the standard/guideline.

    - It is acceptable to add the full text of the criteria into the cell if desired to help with understanding.

    - The links to the standards/guidelines can be removed.

- **Ordering of Tables:** The order that the standard and guideline tables appear may be changed to facilitate reading. The current order is WCAG then Section 508. You can change this order to insert the WCAG criteria into the Section 508 tables.

- **Guideline Section Heading Rows in Tables:** The tables include heading rows to facilitate understanding the context of the criteria.

    - The cells in these rows do not require answers as indicated by "Heading cell – no response required."

    - It is optional to add a response if desired.

    - The shading of the row is also optional.

    - If removing the heading rows, edit the criteria titles so it's clear where they apply.

Posting the Final Document

- When publishing your Accessibility Conformance Report, be sure to remove the entire first 9 pages of this document, including the table of contents, introductory information and instructions.

- Check for each required item in the VPAT® document:

    - **[Company Name] Accessibility Conformance Report** (report title)

    - **(Based on VPAT® Version 2.4)**

    - **Name of Product/Version**

    - **Report Date**

    - **Product Description**

- **Contact Information**

- **Notes**

- **Evaluation Methods Used**

- **Applicable Standards/Guidelines**

- **Terms**

- **Tables for Each Standard or Guideline**
    - Check that there is a response for each criterion for 'Conformance Level' and 'Remarks and Explanations.'

- Verify that the final document is accessible.

- Post your final document on your company's web site, or make the document available to customers upon request.

Table Information for VPAT® Readers

For each of the standards, the criteria are listed by chapter in a table. The structures of the tables are: the first column contains the criteria being evaluated, the second column describes the level of conformance of the product regarding the criteria and the third column contains any additional remarks and explanations regarding the product.

- When sections of criteria do not apply, or are deemed by the customer as not applicable, the section is noted as such and the rest of that table may be removed for that section.

- When multiple standards are being recorded in this document, the duplicative sections are noted and responded to only one time. The duplicate entry will note the cross reference to the data.

Autodesk® Accessibility Conformance Report

Revised Section 508 Edition

(Based on VPAT® Version 2.4)

Name of Product/Version: Autodesk® Mudbox® 2022

Report Date: March 9, 2021

Product Description: Sculpt and paint highly detailed 3D geometry and textures. Mudbox® 3D digital sculpting and texture painting software gives you an intuitive, tactile toolset.

Contact Information: Amer Saleem

Notes:

Evaluation Methods Used:

Applicable Standards/Guidelines

This report covers the degree of conformance for the following accessibility standard/guidelines:

Standard/Guideline	Included In Report
Web Content Accessibility Guidelines 2.0	Level A (Yes)
	Level AA (Yes)
	Level AAA (No)
Revised Section 508 standards published January 18, 2017 and corrected January 22,	(Yes)

Standard/Guideline	Included In Report
2018	

Terms

The terms used in the Conformance Level information are defined as follows:

- **Supports**: The functionality of the product has at least one method that meets the criterion without known defects or meets with equivalent facilitation.
- **Partially Supports**: Some functionality of the product does not meet the criterion.
- **Does Not Support**: The majority of product functionality does not meet the criterion.
- **Not Applicable**: The criterion is not relevant to the product.
- **Not Evaluated**: The product has not been evaluated against the criterion. This can be used only in WCAG 2.0 Level AAA.

WCAG 2.0 Report

Tables 1 and 2 also document conformance with Revised Section 508:

- Chapter 5 – 501.1 Scope, 504.2 Content Creation or Editing
- Chapter 6 – 602.3 Electronic Support Documentation

Note: When reporting on conformance with the WCAG 2.0 Success Criteria, they are scoped for full pages, complete processes, and accessibility-supported ways of using technology as documented in the WCAG 2.0 Conformance Requirements.

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Chapter 3: Functional Performance Criteria (FPC)

Notes:

Criteria	Conformance Level	Remarks and Explanations
302.1 Without Vision	Does not Support	The software's primary uses require creation of graphic images and 3D content and is a highly visual dependent application.
302.2 With Limited Vision	Does not Support	The software's primary uses require creation of graphic images and 3D content and is a highly visual dependent application.
302.3 Without Perception of Color	Partially Supports	Color-coding is not generally used as the only means of conveying information. Some User Interfaces do use color information to indicate state or status information.
302.4 Without Hearing	Partially Supports	Although it does support audio playback in sync with video sequences, Hearing is not necessary to operate the software.
302.5 With Limited Hearing	Partially Supports	Although it does support audio playback in sync with video sequences, Hearing is not necessary to operate the software.
302.6 Without Speech	Supports	The product does not require user speech
302.7 With Limited Manipulation	Does not Support	The use of a mouse or tablet is necessary to perform fine adjustments to images or parameters
302.8 With Limited Reach and Strength	Supports	Only mouse, keyboard, pen tablet or compatible control surface is required to operate the software.

Criteria	Conformance Level	Remarks and Explanations
302.9 With Limited Language, Cognitive, and Learning Abilities	Does not Support	The software does not provide specific modes where features can be operated with some cognitive & learning disabilities.

Chapter 4: Hardware

Notes: Not Applicable

Chapter 5: Software

Notes:

Criteria	Conformance Level	Remarks and Explanations
501.1 Scope – Incorporation of WCAG 2.0 AA	See WCAG 2.0 section	See information in WCAG 2.0 section
502 Interoperability with Assistive Technology	Heading cell – no response required	Heading cell – no response required
502.2.1 User Control of Accessibility Features	Partially Supports	The software provides some of the required information to support user control of the accessibility features of the Operating system (such as Windows® Magnifier or Narrator), but the accessibility features are not comprehensively or consistently operational across all UI controls and features of the application.
502.2.2 No Disruption of Accessibility Features	Partially Supports	The software does not generally disrupt or disable the accessibility features of the Operating system, but the accessibility features are not comprehensively or consistently operational across all UI controls and features of the application.
502.3 Accessibility Services	Heading cell – no response required	Heading cell – no response required
502.3.1 Object Information	Partially Supports	Substantial access through command line interfaces, API and scripting, but

Criteria	Conformance Level	Remarks and Explanations
		comprehensive access to all objects or control values may be missing.
502.3.2 Modification of Object Information	Partially Supports	See Remarks and Explanations for 502.3.1
502.3.3 Row, Column, and Headers	Partially Supports	See Remarks and Explanations for 502.3.1
502.3.4 Values	Partially Supports	See Remarks and Explanations for 502.3.1
502.3.5 Modification of Values	Partially Supports	See Remarks and Explanations for 502.3.1
502.3.6 Label Relationships	Partially Supports	See Remarks and Explanations for 502.3.1
502.3.7 Hierarchical Relationships	Partially Supports	See Remarks and Explanations for 502.3.1
502.3.8 Text	Partially Supports	See Remarks and Explanations for 502.3.1
502.3.9 Modification of Text	Partially Supports	See Remarks and Explanations for 502.3.1
502.3.10 List of Actions	Partially Supports	See Remarks and Explanations for 502.3.1
502.3.11 Actions on Objects	Partially Supports	See Remarks and Explanations for 502.3.1
502.3.12 Focus Cursor	Partially Supports	See Remarks and Explanations for 502.3.1
502.3.13 Modification of Focus Cursor	Partially Supports	See Remarks and Explanations for 502.3.1
502.3.14 Event Notification	Partially Supports	See Remarks and Explanations for 502.3.1
502.4 Platform Accessibility Features	Partially Supports	See Remarks and Explanations for 502.3.1
503 Applications	Heading cell – no response required	Heading cell – no response required
503.2 User Preferences	Partially Supports	The software does provide user preferences for control of certain UI properties (such as font size).
503.3 Alternative User Interfaces	Not Applicable	
503.4 User Controls for Captions and Audio Description	Heading cell – no response required	Heading cell – no response required
503.4.1 Caption Controls	Does not Support	The software's media player does not support the decoding of closed caption data.
503.4.2 Audio Description Controls	Does not Support	The software's media player does not support the decoding of closed caption data.
504 Authoring Tools	Heading cell – no response required	Heading cell – no response required
504.2 Content Creation or Editing (if not authoring tool, enter "not applicable")	See WCAG 2.0 section	See information in WCAG 2.0 section

Criteria	Conformance Level	Remarks and Explanations
504.2.1 Preservation of Information Provided for Accessibility in Format Conversion	Does not Support	The Software does not pass through any metadata relative to accessibility.
504.2.2 PDF Export	Does not Support	The Software does not import or export PDF file format.
504.3 Prompts	Not Applicable	
504.4 Templates	Not Applicable	

Chapter 6: Support Documentation and Services

Notes:

Criteria	Conformance Level	Remarks and Explanations
601.1 Scope	Heading cell – no response required	Heading cell – no response required
602 Support Documentation	Heading cell – no response required	Heading cell – no response required
602.2 Accessibility and Compatibility Features	Partially Supports	There are several features that support accessibility; however, they are not specifically documented as accessibility features. Examples are Tooltips, Keyboard Shortcuts, Keyboard Accelerators, and Quick Access Toolbar.
602.3 Electronic Support Documentation	See WCAG 2.0 section	See information in WCAG 2.0 section
602.4 Alternate Formats for Non-Electronic Support Documentation	Not Applicable	Autodesk does not provide Non-Electronic Support Documentation for the application.
603 Support Services	Heading cell – no response required	Heading cell – no response required
603.2 Information on Accessibility and Compatibility Features	Supports	This document is posted at www.autodesk.com. Search for "Section 508"
603.3 Accommodation of Communication Needs	Supports	Support services options are available via web page, email, and by phone. Direct, in person, support is also available through resellers

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