

## ACCESSIBILITY FOR ONTARIANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT, 2005 INTEGRATED ACCESSIBILITY STANDARDS – Multi Year Plan – IBW Surveyors.

## Part I – GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

| Section | Initiative                                    | Description   | Action   | Status   |
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| 3       | Establishment of<br>Accessibility<br>Policies | 3. Every obligated organization shall develop, implement and maintain policies governing how the organization achieves or will achieve accessibility through meeting its requirements under the accessibility standards referred to in this Regulation. | Policies developed, communicated and implemented.              | Complete |
| 4       | Accessibility<br>Plans                        | 4. Large organizations shall,  a) establish, implement, maintain and document a multi-year accessibility plan, which outlines the organization's strategy to prevent and remove barriers and meet its requirements under this Regulation;               | Policies developed, communicated and implemented.              | Complete |
|         |   | <ul> <li>b) post the accessibility plan on their website, if any, and provide the plan in an accessible format upon request; and</li> <li>c) review and update the accessibility plan at least once every five years.</li> </ul>                        | Website postings implemented for AODA Plan and Multi-year Plan |          |

| 6 | Self-Serve<br>Kiosks | 6. Large organizations and small organizations shall have regard to the accessibility for persons with disabilities when designing, procuring or acquiring self-service kiosks.   | n/a   | n/a      |
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| 7 | Training             | 7. Every obligated organization shall ensure that training is provided on the requirements of the accessibility standards referred to in this Regulation and on the Human Rights Code as it pertains to persons with disabilities to, (a) all employees, and volunteers; (b) all persons who participate in developing the organization 's policies; and (c) all other persons who provide goods, services or facilities on behalf of the organization. | Training program developed and implemented with all staff. New staff will also trained on hire. | On-going |

## **PART II – Information and Communications Standards**

| Section | Initiative   | Description   | Action   | Status   |
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| 11      | Feedback   | 11. Every obligated organization that has processes for receiving and responding to feedback shall ensure that the processes are accessible to persons with disabilities by providing or arranging for accessible formats and communications supports, upon request.  | Process is available and communicated in our policies. | Complete |
| 12      | Accessible<br>Formats &<br>Communication<br>Supports | 12. (1) Except as otherwise provided, every obligated organization shall upon request provide or arrange for the provision of accessible formats and communication supports for persons with disabilities, a) in a timely manner that takes into account the person's accessibility needs due to disability; and b) at a cost that is no more than the regular cost charged to other persons. | Process is available and communicated in our policies. | Complete |
| 12      |  | 12. (2) The obligated organization shall consult with the person making the request in determining the suitability of an accessible format or communication support.  | Process is available and communicated in our policies. | Complete |
| 12      |  | 12. (3) Every obligated organization shall notify the public about the availability of accessible formats and communication supports.   | Process is available and communicated in our policies. | Complete |

| 13 | Emergency<br>Procedures,<br>Plans or Public<br>Safety Info | 13. In addition to its obligations under section 12, if an obligated organization prepares emergency procedures, plans or public safety information and makes the information available to the public, the obligated organization shall provide the information in an accessible format or with appropriate communication supports, as soon as practicable, upon request. |                              |  |
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| 14 | Accessible<br>Websites & Web<br>Content                    | 14. Designated public sector organizations and large organizations shall make their internet websites and web content conform with the World Wide Web Consortium Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (WCAG)2.0, initially at Level A and increasing to Level AA, and shall do so in accordance with the schedule set out in this section.                                | Website meets WCAG standards |  |

PART III - Employment Standard

| Section | Initiative  | Description  | Action   | Status   |
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| 22      | Recruitment –<br>General                              | 22. Every employer shall notify its employees and the public about the availability of accommodation for applicants with disabilities in its recruitment processes.  | Recruitment policy provides for this and all job postings will be updated to include this information. | Complete |
| 23      | Recruitment,<br>Assessment or<br>Selection<br>Process | 23.(1) During a recruitment process, an employer shall notify job applicants, when they are individually selected to participate in an assessment or selection process, that accommodations are available upon request in relation to the materials or processes to be used.  (2) If a selected applicant requests an accommodation, the employer shall consult with the applicant and provide or arrange for the provision of a suitable accommodation in a manner that takes into account the applicant's accessibility needs due to disability. | Recruitment policy provides for this and all job postings will be updated to include this information. | Complete |
| 24      | Notice to<br>Successful<br>Applicants                 | 24. Every employer shall, when making offers of employment, notify the successful applicant of its policies for accommodating employees with disabilities.   | Recruitment policy provides for this and all job postings will be updated to include this information. | Complete |
| 25      | Informing<br>Employees of<br>Supports                 | 25. (1) Every employer shall inform its employees of its policies used to support its employees with disabilities, including, but not limited to, policies on the provision of job accommodations that take into account an employee's accessibility needs due to disability.  | Incorporated into HR policies  | Complete |

| 25 |   | 25. (2) Employers shall provide the information required under this section to new employees as soon as practicable after they begin their employment.   | Will be included as part of job posting, recruitment and offer process and is incorporated in policy manual. |          |
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| 25 |   | 25. (3) Employers shall provide updated information to its employees whenever there is a change to existing policies on the provision of job accommodations that take into account an employee's accessibility needs due to disability.  |  |          |
| 26 | Accessible Formats & Communication Supports for Employees | 26.(1) In addition to its obligations under section 12, where an employee with a disability so requests it, every employer shall consult with the employee to provide or arrange for the provision of accessible formats and communication supports for,  (a) information that is needed in order to perform the employee's job; and  (b) information that is generally available to employees in the workplace. | This information will be provided upon request.  | Complete |
| 26 |   | 26. (2) The employer shall consult with the employee making the request in determining the suitability of an accessible format or communication support.   | This information will be provided upon request.  | Complete |

| 27 | Workplace<br>Emergency<br>Response<br>Information | 27. (1) Every employer shall provide individualized workplace emergency response information to employees who have a disability, if the disability is such that the individualized information is necessary and the employer is aware of the need for accommodation due to the employee's disability.                             | Aware of requirement. Currently no employees have communicated accommodation needs but will review upon learning of any employee with such needs. Requirements have been included in HR Policy. | Complete |
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| 27 |   | 27. (2) If an employee who receives individualized workplace emergency response information requires assistance and with the employee's consent, the employer shall provide the workplace emergency response information to the person designated by the employer to provide assistance to the employee.                          | Aware of requirement. Currently no employees have communicated accommodation needs but will review upon learning of any employee with such needs. Requirements have been included in HR Policy. | Complete |
| 27 |   | 27. (3) Employers shall provide the information required under this section as soon as practicable after the employer becomes aware of the need for accommodation due to the employee's disability.   | Aware of requirement. Currently no employees have communicated accommodation needs but will review upon learning of any employee with such needs.   | Complete |
| 27 |   | 27. (4) Every employer shall review the individualized workplace emergency response information,  (a) when the employee moves to a different location in the organization; (b) when the employee's overall accommodations needs or plans are reviewed; and (c) when the employer reviews its general emergency response policies. | Aware of requirement. Currently no employees have communicated accommodation needs but will review upon learning of any employee with such needs.   | Complete |

| Ir<br>A | Documented<br>ndividual<br>Accommodation<br>Plans | 28. (1) Employers, other than employers that are small organizations, shall develop and have in place a written process for the development of documented individual accommodation plans for employees with disabilities.   | Aware of requirement. Currently no employees have communicated accommodation needs but will review upon learning of any employee with such needs. | Complete |
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| 28      |   | <ol> <li>28. (2) The process for the development of documented individual accommodation plans shall include the following elements:</li> <li>The manner in which an employee requesting accommodation can participate in the development of the individual accommodation plan.</li> <li>The means by which the employee is assessed on an individual basis.</li> <li>The manner in which the employer can request an evaluation by an outside medical or other expert, at the employer's expense, to determine if and how accommodation can be achieved.</li> <li>The manner in which the employee can request the participation of a representative from their bargaining agent, where the employee is represented by a bargaining agent, or other representative from the workplace, where the employee is not represented by a bargaining agent, in the development of the accommodation plan.</li> <li>The steps taken to protect the privacy of the employee's personal.</li> <li>The frequency with which the individual accommodation plan will be reviewed and</li> </ol> | Requirements have been included in HR Policy.   | Complete |

|    |                           | updated and the manner in which it will be done.  7. If an individual accommodation plan is denied, the manner in which the reasons for the denial will be provided to the employee.  8. The means of providing the individual accommodation plan in a format that takes into account the employee's accessibility needs due to disability.                        |   |          |
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| 29 | Return to Work<br>Process | <ul> <li>29. (1) Every employer, other than an employer that is a small organization,</li> <li>(a) shall develop and have in place a return to work process for its employees who have been absent from work due to a disability and require disability-related accommodations in order to return to work; and</li> <li>(b) shall document the process.</li> </ul> | Accommodation processes provide for this requirement. | Complete |
| 29 |                           | <ul> <li>29. (2) The return to work process shall,</li> <li>(a) outline the steps the employer will take to facilitate the return to work of employees who were absent because their disability required them to be away from work; and</li> <li>(b) use individual documented accommodation plans, as described in section 28, as part of the process.</li> </ul> |   |          |
| 29 |                           | 29. (3) The return to work process referenced in this section does not replace or override any other return to work process created by or under any other statute.   |   |          |

| 30 | Performance<br>Management              | 30. An employer that uses performance management in respect of its employees shall take into account the accessibility needs of employees with disabilities, as well as individual accommodation plans, when using its performance management process in respect of employees with disabilities.          | Our Performance Management policy takes this into account.         | Complete |
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| 31 | Career<br>Development &<br>Advancement | 31. An employer that provides career development and advancement to its employees shall take into account the accessibility needs of its employees with disabilities as well as any individual accommodation plans, when providing career development and advancement to its employees with disabilities. | Our Performance Management policy takes this into account.         | Complete |
| 32 | Redeployment                           | 32. An employer that uses redeployment shall take into account the accessibility needs of its employees with disabilities, as well as individual accommodation plans, when redeploying employees with disabilities.   | Redeployment policies are not currently in place nor contemplated. |          |