The Hotel Accessibility Self-Assessment Guide



This self-assessment guide has been developed for hotels/motels/lodging to undertake a self-assessment of their property. It was developed through the *Creating Accessible Hotels in Alberta* Project as a way to support the accommodation industry in response to aging Albertans and persons with disabilities who travel within Alberta for work or pleasure.

Accessibility as defined in the 2008 Barrier-Free Design Guide is: "The ability or ease that a person with a physical or sensory disability, or with limited language skills, may approach, enter and use buildings, facilities and services, as well as receive or send communication or information". This can be located at http://www.safetycodes.ab.ca.



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1.	Are designated parking stalls provided for persons with disabilities? AB CODE 3.8.2.2 Yes No Other
2.	Are the designated parking stalls clearly identified with the international wheelchair symbol? AB CODE 3.8.2.2 Yes No Other
	If yes, is the International Symbol of Accessibility painted on the ground? AB CODE 3.8.2.2 Yes No Other
	If yes, is a vertical International Symbol of Accessibility on a post or on the wall? AB CODE 3.8.2.2 Yes No Other
3.	Does the exterior walkway form a part of a barrier-free path of travel from the parking lot to an accessible entrance of the building? **AB CODE 3.8.3.2**
4.	Do you have an accessible entrance with no stairs to the reception area that allows a person with a wheelchair to enter? AB CODE 3.8.1.2 Yes No Other

5.	Is the accessible entrance door automatically operated? AB CODE 3.8.3.3 Yes No Other
6.	Is a vestibule located in the entrance to allow for the movement of wheelchairs between the doors (if there is a double set of doors)?
	AB CODE 3.8.3.3.(11) for size and 3.8.3.3.(10) for door location
	 ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Other
7.	Does the lobby/reception desk provide a lowered area to accommodate access for persons in a wheelchair? AB CODE 3.8.3.14 Yes No Other
8.	Does the hotel provide an Assistive Listening Device System to improve sound reception for those who are hard of hearing by providing amplification that can be adjusted by the user? AB CODE 3.8.3.7 Yes No Other
9.	Are barrier-free washrooms provided in or near the lobby area? AB CODES 3.8.2.3 (Public Washrooms), 3.8.3.11 (Lavatories), 3.8.3.12 (Universal Toilet Rooms), 3.8.3.8, 3.8.3.9 (Water Closets), and 3.8.3.10 (Urinals) Yes No Other
10.	If applicable, are the elevator call buttons located at a maximum height of 1095 mm from the floor in the foyer or lobby, and on each level? AB CODE 3.8.3.5 Yes No Other

11. Are the corridors 1100 mm or wider and unobstructed on each level of the building?
AB CODE 3.3.1.9
□Yes
□ Other
12. If applicable, can the steps and/or stairs be safely navigated? AB CODE 3.4.6.1 to 3.4.6.8 and Section 9.8 ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Other
13. If there are barrier-free suites, how many are designated for the following
disabilities?
Physical (wheelchairs/mobility devices)
Visual
Auditory
Other: Please explain
14. Is there a fire alarm system that has both an audible and visual signal in the room/suite? AB CODE 3.2.4.19 (Audible), 3.2.4.20 (Visual)
□Yes
□No
□ Other
15. Do barrier-free suites have a barrier-free path of travel at the entry that includes wider doorways into the suite and wider doorways to the bathrooms within them? **AB CODE 3.8.3.3**
□Yes
□No
□ Other
16. Do barrier-free rooms/suites designated for physical disabilities have the following? AB CODE 7.2.1.8
Number of rooms with accessible bathtubs (grab bars installed and no tracks on tub rim)
Number of rooms with accessible roll-in showers

 ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Other
 18. Do barrier-free washrooms have a lavatory (sink) that provides clearance for use by persons in a wheelchair? AB CODE 3.8.3.11 ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Other
 19. If applicable, are conference and/or meeting rooms barrier-free? AB CODE 3.8.2.1 ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Not applicable
20. If applicable, are dining areas barrier-free? AB CODE 3.8.1.1 ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Not applicable
21. If applicable, are the service kiosks barrier-free? AB CODE 3.8.3.14 Yes No Not applicable Other: Please explain