

VPAT for IBM Forms Designer 8.0, 8.0.1	
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VPAT Summary

Criteria	Status	Remarks and Explanations
Section 1194.21 Software Applications and Operating Systems	Supports	Refer to Section 1194.21 in VPAT Details section below.
Section 1194.22 Web-based Internet information & applications	Supports	Refer to Section 1194.22 in VPAT Details section below.
Section 1194.23 Telecommunications Products	Not applicable	Not applicable
Section 1194.24 Video and Multi-media Products	Not applicable	Not applicable
Section 1194.25 Self-Contained, Closed Products	Not applicable	Not applicable
Section 1194.26 Desktop and Portable Computers	Not applicable	Not applicable
Section 1194.31 Functional Performance Criteria	Supports	Refer to Section 1194.31 in VPAT Details section below.
Section 1194.41 Information, Documentation, and Support	Supports	Refer to Section 1194.41 in VPAT Details section below.

VPAT Details

Section 1194.21 Software Applications and Operating Systems - Detail

Criteria	Supporting Features	Remarks and Explanations
(a) When software is designed to run on a system that has a keyboard, product functions shall be executable from a keyboard where the function itself or the result of performing a function can be discerned textually.	Supports: A keyboard can be used to achieve all tasks in the application, allowing blind and mobility-impaired users to access information without the use of the mouse.	The following component meets this criterion: - IBM Forms Designer 8.0: - User Interface - Keyboard equivalents for actions exist. Manipulation and placement of graphical objects is achieved through keyboard shortcuts, insert menus, along with the Outline and Property views.
(b) Applications shall not disrupt or disable activated features of other products that are identified as accessibility features, where those features are developed and documented according to industry standards. Applications also shall not disrupt or disable activated features of any operating system that are identified as accessibility features where the application programming interface for those accessibility features has been documented by the manufacturer of the operating system and is available to the product developer.	Supports: Operating systems provide accessibility features that allow disabled users to customize their preferences. This application preserves those accessibility user preference settings. For example, if Sticky Keys option is selected by a mobility-impaired user, this option will continue to be activated when used with this application.	The following component meets this criterion: - IBM Forms Designer: - User Interface - Forms Designer does not interfere with keyboard accessibility features built into the operating system.
(c) A well-defined on-screen indication of the current focus shall be provided that moves among interactive interface elements as the input focus changes. The focus shall be programmatically exposed so that Assistive Technology can track focus and focus changes.	Supports: When using the application with a keyboard, users can tell where they are on the screen and the information is available to assistive technologies to communicate screen location to visually impaired users.	The following component meets this criterion: - IBM Forms Designer: - User Interface - Forms Designer supports visual focus indicators including dotted rectangles and highlighted selections. Furthermore focus location is programmatically available to assistive technologies through the MSAA interface.
(d) Sufficient information about a user interface element including the identity, operation and state of the element shall be available to Assistive Technology. When an image represents a program element, the information conveyed by the image must also be available in text.	Supports: This software application allows a screen reader to describe the user interface environment and controls to a blind user. For example, if you tab through a form and find a radio button, the user would be able to determine it is a radio button and the current selection status of the button.	The following component meets this criterion: - IBM Forms Designer: - User Interface - Forms Designer provides industry standard messages for normal user interface elements to assistive technologies through the Eclipse/MSAA interface. Forms Designer supports label association to controls and images through standard user interface elements.
(e) When bitmap images are used to identify controls, status indicators, or other programmatic elements, the meaning assigned to those images	Supports: The meaning assigned to images used in the application is consistent and	The following component meets this criterion: - IBM Forms Designer:

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shall be consistent throughout an application's performance.	unique, minimizing confusion of the context of use for those images.	- User Interface - Forms Designer supports label association to controls and images through standard user interface elements.
(f) Textual information shall be provided through operating system functions for displaying text. The minimum information that shall be made available is text content, text input caret location, and text attributes.	Supports: Text information is accessible so assistive technologies can communicate content, attributes and caret location to blind users.	The following component meets this criterion: - IBM Forms Designer: - User Interface - Forms Designer provides text elements using assistive technology through the MSA interface.
(g) Applications shall not override user selected contrast and color selections and other individual display attributes.	Supports: System settings are inherited by the application so that customized preferences will not need to be continually reset. For example, color contrast settings enhanced for a low vision user would be preserved by the application.	The following component meets this criterion: - IBM Forms Designer: - User Interface - Forms Designer supports system settings for high contrast mode. Fonts and colors are inherited from the system where appropriate. In places where system fonts and colors are not used, the Designer supports end user configuration to use system fonts and colors.
(h) When animation is displayed, the information shall be displayable in at least one non-animated presentation mode at the option of the user.	Not applicable	The following component does not apply to this criterion: - IBM Forms Designer: - User Interface - The Forms Designer does not use animation.
(i) Color coding shall not be used as the only means of conveying information, indicating an action, prompting a response, or distinguishing a visual element.	Supports: Color is used only as an enhancement, and an alternate means to convey information or indicate an action is available to users with visual impairments.	The following component meets this criterion: - IBM Forms Designer: - User Interface - Color is used as an enhancement, not as the only way to convey information or indicate an action.
(j) When a product permits a user to adjust color and contrast settings, a variety of color selections capable of producing a range of contrast levels shall be provided.	Supports: When color customization is supported, a variety of color selections and a range of contrast improves accessibility for users with vision impairments.	The following component meets this criterion: - IBM Forms Designer: - User Interface - Forms Designer supports setting of a full range of custom color selections in addition to the color settings inherited from the system.
(k) Software shall not use flashing or blinking text, objects, or other elements having a flash or blink frequency greater than 2 Hz and lower than 55 Hz.	Supports: The use of blinking text, objects or elements has been avoided, reducing risk of seizures for users with photosensitive epilepsy.	The following component meets this criterion: - IBM Forms Designer: - User Interface - The Forms Designer does not use blinking text or flashing objects.
(l) When electronic forms are used, the form shall allow people using Assistive Technology to access the information, field elements, and functionality required for completion and submission of the form, including all directions and cues.	Supports: The application design allows assistive technology access to information, field elements, and functionality required to complete and submit forms.	The following component meets this criterion: - IBM Forms Designer: - User Interface - Input items that exist in the Designer (i.e. wizards) support keyboard accessibility and also provide the type of object and label to the user.

Section 1194.22 Web-based Internet information and applications - Detail

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(a) A text equivalent for every non-text element shall be provided (e.g., via "alt", "longdesc", or in element content).	Supports: The application design provides text equivalents for all images so that assistive technology can describe those images to blind users.	The following component meets this criterion: - IBM Forms Designer: - Wiki Template v7.3 - Non-text content that is presented to the user has a text alternative that serves the equivalent purpose.
(b) Equivalent alternatives for any multimedia presentation shall be synchronized with the presentation.	Not applicable	The following components do not apply to this criterion: - IBM Forms Designer: - Wiki Template - No synchronized media. No prerecorded audio or video. No live multimedia.
(c) Web pages shall be designed so that all information conveyed with color is also available without color, for example from context or markup.	Supports: Color is used only as an enhancement, and an alternate means to convey information or indicate an action is available to users with visual	The following component meets this criterion: - IBM Forms Designer: - Wiki Template - Color is not used as the only visual means of conveying information, indicating an

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	impairments.	action, prompting a response, or distinguishing a visual element.
(d) Documents shall be organized so they are readable without requiring an associated style sheet.	Supports: Web page content is readable without the use of a pre-defined style sheet, allowing low vision users to enable their own style sheets that enhance their viewing preferences.	The following component meets this criterion: - IBM Forms Designer: - Wiki Template - Web pages are readable without requiring style sheets.
(e) Redundant text links shall be provided for each active region of a server-side image map.	Not applicable	The following component does not apply to this criterion: - IBM Forms Designer: - Wiki Template - Image maps not used
(f) Client-side image maps shall be provided instead of server-side image maps except where the regions cannot be defined with an available geometric shape.	Not applicable	The following component does not apply to this criterion: - IBM Forms Designer: - Wiki Template - Image maps not used
(g) Row and column headers shall be identified for data tables.	Supports: The application is designed to identify row and column headers for blind users so the location and context of the table cell are clear and can be communicated by a screen reader.	The following component meets this criterion: - IBM Forms Designer: - Wiki Template - Table cells and relationships between cells can be programmatically determined.
(h) Markup shall be used to associate data cells and header cells for data tables that have two or more logical levels of row or column headers.	Supports: Complex tables are designed with additional attributes for blind users so the location and context of the table cell are clear and can be communicated by a screen reader.	The following component meets this criterion: - IBM Forms Designer: - Wiki Template - Table cells and relationships between cells can be programmatically determined.
(i) Frames shall be titled with text that facilitates frame identification and navigation.	Not applicable	The following component does not apply to this criterion: - IBM Forms Designer: - Wiki Template - No frames are used.
(j) Pages shall be designed to avoid causing the screen to flicker with a frequency greater than 2 Hz and lower than 55 Hz.	Supports: The use of blinking text, objects or elements has been avoided, reducing risk of seizures for users with photosensitive epilepsy.	The following component meets this criterion: - IBM Forms Designer: - Wiki Template - No flashing content.
(k) A text-only page, with equivalent information or functionality, shall be provided to make a web site comply with the provisions of this part, when compliance cannot be accomplished in any other way. The content of the text-only page shall be updated whenever the primary page changes.	Not applicable	The following component does not apply to this criterion: - IBM Forms Designer: - Wiki Template - Wiki template is accessible. so text-only page is not required.
(l) When pages utilize scripting languages to display content, or to create interface elements, the information provided by the script shall be identified with functional text that can be read by Assistive Technology.	Supports: Alternatives to scripting language are provided, allowing users access to the content via keyboard and assistive technology.	The following component meets this criterion: - IBM Forms Designer: - Wiki Template - Scripts are keyboard accessible.
(m) When a web page requires that an applet, plug-in or other application be present on the client system to interpret page content, the page must provide a link to a plug-in or applet that complies with §1194.21(a) through (l).	Not applicable	The following component does not apply to this criterion: - IBM Forms Designer: - Wiki Template - No applets, plug-ins or non-HTML content.
(n) When electronic forms are designed to be completed on-line, the form shall allow people using Assistive Technology to access the information, field elements, and functionality required for completion and submission of the form, including all directions and cues.	Supports: The application design allows assistive technology access to information, field elements, and functionality required to complete and submit forms.	The following component meets this criterion: - IBM Forms Designer: - Wiki Template - Form element labels can be programmatically.
(o) A method shall be provided that permits users to skip repetitive navigation links.	Supports: Web pages are designed so that repetitive navigation links can be skipping over, and blind users can navigate to the main content of the page more easily.	The following component meets this criterion: - IBM Forms Designer: - Wiki Template - Methods are provided for skipping over navigation links to get to the main content of the page. Note: This product uses WAI-ARIA landmarks to comply with this checkpoint. WAI-ARIA landmarks are supported by FF3+, IE8+, and JAWS 10+. Keyboard access to WAI-ARIA

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		landmarks is enabled via the Firefox Accessing.
(p) When a timed response is required, the user shall be alerted and given sufficient time to indicate more time is required.	Not applicable	The following component does not apply to this criterion: - IBM Forms Designer: - Wiki Template - No time limits.

Section 1194.31 Functional Performance - Detail

Criteria	Supporting Features	Remarks and Explanations
(a) At least one mode of operation and information retrieval that does not require user vision shall be provided, or support for Assistive Technology used by people who are blind or visually impaired shall be provided.	Supports: See the following for supporting features: - 1194.21 a, b, c, d, e, f, h, i, l - 1194.22 all	The following components meet this criterion: - IBM Forms Designer: - User Interface - Wiki Template
(b) At least one mode of operation and information retrieval that does not require visual acuity greater than 20/70 shall be provided in audio and enlarged print output working together or independently, or support for Assistive Technology used by people what are visually impaired shall be provided.	Supports: See the following for supporting features: - 1194.21 c, g, i, j, l - 1194.22 n	The following components meet this criterion: - IBM Forms Designer: - User Interface - Wiki Template
(c) At least one mode of operation and information retrieval that does not require user hearing shall be provided, or support for Assistive Technology used by people who are deaf or hard of hearing shall be provided.	Not applicable	The following components do not apply to this criterion: - IBM Forms Designer: - User Interface - Wiki Template
(d) Where audio information is important for the use of the product, at least one mode of operation and information retrieval shall be provided in an enhanced auditory fashion, or support for assistive hearing devices shall be provided.	Not applicable	The following component does not apply to this criterion: - IBM Forms Designer: - User Interface
(e) At least one mode of operation and information retrieval that does not require user speech shall be provided, or support for Assistive Technology used by people with disabilities shall be provided.	Not applicable	
(f) At least one mode of operation and information retrieval that does not require fine motor control or simultaneous actions and that is operable with limited reach and strength shall be provided.	Supports: See the following for supporting features: - 1194.21 a, b - 1194.22 l, p	The following components meet this criterion: - IBM Forms Designer: - User Interface - Wiki Template

Section 1194.41 Information, Documentation, and Support - Detail

Criteria	Supporting Features	Remarks and Explanations
(a) Product support documentation provided to end-users shall be made available in alternate formats upon request, at no additional charge.	Supports: Product support documentation is provided in at least one accessible format.	The following components meet this criterion: - IBM Forms Designer: - F1 Help - Document reading order follows a meaningful sequence. Non-text content that is presented to the user has a text alternative. Define information, structure, and relationships. Information that is conveyed by color is also evident without color. No form elements. No data tables. No flashing components. Not a long document. Language of the page is defined by the operating system locale. - Designer Documentation:Wiki - Web pages are readable without requiring style sheets. Table cells and relationships between cells can be programmatically determined. Images have alternative text. Color is not used as the only visual means of conveying information, indicating an action, prompting a response, or distinguishing a visual element. No flashing content. A skip to main link is provided and it is augmented by WAI-ARIA landmarks. No image maps. No multimedia. No multimedia. No multimedia. No forms. No scripts No

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		applets, plug-ins, or non-HTML content. No time limits No frames. Content is accessible.
(b) End-users shall have access to a description of the accessibility and compatibility features of products in alternate formats or alternate methods upon request, at no additional charge.	Supports: Documentation includes a description of accessibility and compatibility features that make it easier for people with disabilities to use the product. Those descriptions are available in alternate formats upon request.	The following components meet this criterion: - IBM Forms Designer: - F1 Help - F1 help does not contain documentation on accessibility features including keyboard access. Documentation on all accessibility features including keyboard access can be found in the IBM Forms documentation Wiki. - Designer Documentation:Wiki - Provides documentation on accessibility features including keyboard access for the product.
(c) Support services for products shall accommodate the communication needs of end-users with disabilities.	Supports: In addition to standard IBM help desk and support Web sites, IBM has established a TTY telephone service for use by deaf or hard of hearing customers to access sales and support services.	

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