



Accessibility Screening Tool for Restaurants

adapted from the

**ADA Checklist
Restaurants and Cafeterias
Disability Law Center**

and the

**2010 ADA Standards for Accessible Design
U. S. Department of Justice**

This screening tool was developed to: 1. provide owners/operators with a general understand of the degree to which they comply with accessibility standards for places of lodging, and 2. to determine if the basic accessibility elements are present that would enable people with disabilities to have some degree of accessibility to the functions and services of the entity. It is not intended to be used as a comprehensive tool that examines all aspect and requirements related to accessibility at restaurants.

In addition, the requirements identified in this tool reference the minimum requirement for accessibility design as set forth for new construction. As such, they are often less than what people with disabilities and advocates would recognize as “best practices”, or efforts by owners and operators to achieve maximum accessibility. In addition, while this tool is based on requirements for new construction, existing facilities can use the tool as part of a comprehensive effort to identify and correct barriers to equal access that customers with disabilities might encounter.

Parking

Does the parking lot have the minimum number of standard and van accessible parking spaces (see chart below)?

Is the location of the accessible spaces the ones nearest to the accessible entrance?

Are there access aisles adjacent to the accessible parking spaces? (Standard aisle width of 5’ and van access isle of 8’)?

Are there signs that identify each accessible space that can be seen when a vehicle is parked in the space?

If a parking garage serving the facility, does it allow at least 98" of vertical clearance for vehicles with raised roofs to approach, use and exit the accessible parking spaces?

If there is a covered passenger pickup/drop-off area, does it have at least 9'-6" clearance to allow vans with raised roofs to use such area?

Accessible Parking Spaces (Minimum Requirements)

Total Spaces in Lot	Acc. Spaces Required
1-25	1
26-50	2
51 – 75	3
76-100	4
101-150	5
151-200	6
201-300	7
301-400	8
401-500	9
501-1000	2% of total spaces*
1001 and over	20 + (1 per 100 over 1000)*
	Standard Accessible (std.) parking space is 8 foot min.. + 5 foot access aisle
	One in every 6 accessible parking spaces must be a van accessible space (8' wide parking space and 8' access aisle, or 11' parking space and 5' access aisle.

Path of Travel

Is the path of travel from the parking to the facility 36" wide and barrier free with no abrupt level changes?

Are all walkways, including the path of travel to the facility, free of any objects that protrude into the walkway more than 4"?

Are curb ramps and interior ramps at least 36" wide with the least slope possible, and slopes of no greater than 1:12?

Do all doors have a clear opening space of at least 32" with no hardware protruding into the clear opening space?

Can door hardware be operated with a closed fist?

Is there at least 7' between sets of doors (such as in a vestibule) where doors are not fully automated?

Is there 18" of clear floor space on the latch side of doors?

Dining/Serving Area

Is there an accessible path of travel to all dining areas, including raised or sunken dining areas and outdoor dining areas, as well as to food service lines, service counters, and public restrooms that is barrier free and at least 36" wide with chairs pulled out?

Are 5% of the seating and standing places accessible?

Do accessible tables have knee spaces under the tables of at least 28", and table/counter tops between 28" to 34" high?

Are the spaces in the dining area for use by people who use wheelchairs distributed throughout the dining area?

Do food ordering and cashier counters have a lowered portion no higher than 36", or do they have a folding shelf attached that is no higher than 36"?

Are menus and other printed material available to customers in alternative formats (braille, large print, etc.), or can staff verbally read materials to customers who are blind or visually impaired?

Rest Rooms

Is there a 5' in diameter circle or T space for turning in the rest room that the door does not swing into?

Is there an accessible stall in each bathroom that is at least 56" X 60"?

Do accessible stalls have toilets with rims that are between 17" and 19" high?

Are there grab bars next to and behind the accessible toilet?

Is there an accessible urinal in each bathroom with a clear floor space of 30" X 48"?

Does the accessible urinal have a rim no higher than 17"?

Do lavatories have:

24" knee clearance under the counter top?

Counter tops no higher than 34"?

Insulated hot water and drain pipes under the lavatories?

Faucet handles that can be operated with a closed fist?

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