

Stacks Accessibility Conformance Report

WCAG Edition

(Based on VPAT® Version 2.5Rev)

Name of Product/Version: Stacks

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Product Description:

Stacks is a robust library platform by EBSCO that transforms how users access library resources. It provides a customizable interface for libraries of all types, enhancing the discovery of educational and research materials. The platform integrates seamlessly with existing library systems and offers tools for content management, website creation, and user engagement. With Stacks, libraries can curate and showcase digital collections, provide user-friendly research experiences, and offer dynamic information services. It features responsive design for all devices, ensuring users have a seamless experience, whether accessing databases, e-books, or library services.

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Notes:

The Stacks platform audit was completed using the following screens. Elements and components on those pages were audited using the evaluation methods noted in the next section.

- Home page
- Search results page
- Search record detail page

Evaluation Methods Used:

- Windows 11/Chrome/JAWS
- Mac/Safari/VoiceOver

Applicable Standards/Guidelines

This report covers the degree of conformance with 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)
Web Content Accessibility Guidelines 2.1	Level A (Yes) Level AA (Yes) Level AAA (No)

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 2.1 Report

Note: When reporting on conformance with the WCAG 2.1 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](#).

Table 1: Success Criteria, Level A

Criteria	Conformance Level	Remarks and Explanations
1.1.1 Non-text Content (Level A)	Supports	All non-text content provided has a logical text alternative.
1.2.1 Audio-only and Video-only (Pre-recorded) (Level A)	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
1.2.2 Captions (Pre-recorded) (Level A)	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
1.2.3 Audio Description or Media Alternative (Pre-recorded) (Level A)	Partially Supports	It is not content that is under the author's control.
1.3.1 Info and Relationships (Level A)	Partially Supports	Most information, structure, and relationships are clear.
1.3.2 Meaningful Sequence (Level A)	Supports	The reading sequence is accurate.
1.3.3 Sensory Characteristics (Level A)	Supports	Instructions throughout the platform are clear and they do not rely solely on sensory characteristics of components (such as shape, size, visual location, orientation, or sound).
1.4.1 Use of Color (Level A)	Supports	Information is conveyed in multiple ways and does not solely rely on color.
1.4.2 Audio Control (Level A)	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
2.1.1 Keyboard (Level A)	Supports	Users can access and complete all elements using a keyboard.
2.1.2 No Keyboard Trap (Level A)	Supports	Keyboard users can successfully navigate into, through, and out of all keyboard-accessible components.

<u>2.1.4 Character Key Shortcuts</u> (Level A 2.1 only)	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
<u>2.2.1 Timing Adjustable</u> (Level A)	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
<u>2.2.2 Pause, Stop, Hide</u> (Level A)	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
<u>2.3.1 Three Flashes or Below Threshold</u> (Level A)	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
<u>2.4.1 Bypass Blocks</u> (Level A)	Supports	Provides skip to main content link and headings to bypass content repeated across multiple pages.
<u>2.4.2 Page Titled</u> (Level A)	Supports	Web pages on have distinct titles that describe the topic or purpose.
<u>2.4.3 Focus Order</u> (Level A)	Supports	All the controls are navigated sequentially by tabbing through various inputs and labels. The user controls receive keyboard focus in the same tab order in which they are presented visually.
<u>2.4.4 Link Purpose (In Context)</u> (Level A)	Supports	All link elements within provide a purpose through the linked text itself.
<u>2.5.1 Pointer Gestures</u> (Level A 2.1 only)	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
<u>2.5.2 Pointer Cancellation</u> (Level A 2.1 only)	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
<u>2.5.3 Label in Name</u> (Level A 2.1 only)	Supports	Provides the accessible name for all user interface components, which matches with the visible text in the label.
<u>2.5.4 Motion Actuation</u> (Level A 2.1 only)	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
<u>3.1.1 Language of Page</u> (Level A)	Supports	The primary language of each Web page can be programmatically determined.
<u>3.2.1 On Focus</u> (Level A)	Supports	There is no context change within pages when a component or control receives focus.
<u>3.2.2 On Input</u> (Level A)	Partially Supports	Changing the setting of any user interface component does not initiate any change of context. Exceptions:

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Global: Changing the selection using the up/down arrow keys for both the "language" combo box and "Results per page" are not announced to the screen reader users
<u>3.3.1 Error Identification</u> (Level A)	Supports	If an input error is automatically detected, the item is identified and the error is described to the user.
<u>3.3.2 Labels or Instructions</u> (Level A)	Supports	Provides labels and instructions for the form fields. It prevents user errors by providing clear labels and instructions that are available to everyone at all times.
<u>4.1.1 Parsing</u> (Level A)	Supports	Provides unique IDs, appropriate start and end tags, and appropriate nested elements. This helps ensure that assistive technologies can understand the content accurately and without crashing.
<u>4.1.2 Name, Role, Value</u> (Level A)	Supports	Provides status messages to users of assistive technologies. These messages are programmatically determined through role or properties.

Table 2: Success Criteria, Level AA

Criteria	Conformance Level	Remarks and Explanations
1.2.4 Captions (Live) (Level AA)	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
1.2.5 Audio Description (Pre-recorded) (Level AA)	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
1.3.4 Orientation (Level AA 2.1 only)	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
1.3.5 Identify Input Purpose (Level AA 2.1 only)	Supports	The purpose of each input field is clear and can be understood by assistive technologies.
1.4.3 Contrast (Minimum) (Level AA)	Supports	Content provides sufficient color contrast elements between foreground and background text colors.
1.4.4 Resize text (Level AA)	Supports	Text can be resized without assistive technology up to 200 percent without loss of content or functionality.
1.4.5 Images of Text (Level AA)	Supports	There are no images with embedded text on the platform.
1.4.10 Reflow (Level AA 2.1 only)	Supports	When pages are zoomed to 400%, content on presented without loss of information, functionality, or requiring scrolling vertically and horizontally.
1.4.11 Non-text Contrast (Level AA 2.1 only)	Supports	There is sufficient contrast within graphics. Does not prevent users with visual disabilities from understanding the content.
1.4.12 Text Spacing (Level AA 2.1 only)	Supports	The spacing between letters, words, lines of text, and paragraphs is maintained.

1.4.13 Content on Hover or Focus (Level AA 2.1 only)	Supports	Does not include any additional content or content that is triggered on hover or on focus.
2.4.5 Multiple Ways (Level AA)	Supports	More than one way is available to locate a Web page within a set of Web pages.
2.4.6 Headings and Labels (Level AA)	Supports	Headings and labels are descriptive enough for users to understand them throughout.
2.4.7 Focus Visible (Level AA)	Supports	Visible focus indicators are available on all focusable elements (when in focus) throughout.
3.1.2 Language of Parts (Level AA)	Supports	Provides inline language changes identified with a valid language attribute in the code.
3.2.3 Consistent Navigation (Level AA)	Supports	Provides consistent and repeatable menu navigation mechanisms to assist users of all abilities.
3.2.4 Consistent Identification (Level AA)	Supports	Components that have the same functionality within a set of Web pages are identified consistently.
3.3.3 Error Suggestion (Level AA)	Supports	If an input error is automatically detected and suggestions for correction are known, then the suggestions are provided to the user.
3.3.4 Error Prevention (Legal, Financial, Data) (Level AA)	Supports	Provides the ability for users to review and correct information. This gives all users an opportunity to detect a mistake before taking an action that has serious consequences.

4.1.3 Status Messages (Level AA 2.1 only)	Supports	Provides status messages to users of assistive technologies. These messages are programmatically determined through role or properties.
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Table 3: Success Criteria, Level AAA

Notes: These standards were not evaluated as a part of this audit. Stacks was not evaluated for WCAG 2.1 Level AAA conformance.

Criteria	Conformance Level	Remarks and Explanations
1.2.6 Sign Language (Pre-recorded) (Level AAA)	Not Evaluated	Not Evaluated
1.2.7 Extended Audio Description (Pre-recorded) (Level AAA)	Not Evaluated	Not Evaluated
1.2.8 Media Alternative (Pre-recorded) (Level AAA)	Not Evaluated	Not Evaluated
1.2.9 Audio-only (Live) (Level AAA)	Not Evaluated	Not Evaluated
1.3.6 Identify Purpose (Level AAA 2.1 only)	Not Evaluated	Not Evaluated
1.4.6 Contrast (Enhanced) (Level AAA)	Not Evaluated	Not Evaluated
1.4.7 Low or No Background Audio (Level AAA)	Not Evaluated	Not Evaluated
1.4.8 Visual Presentation (Level AAA)	Not Evaluated	Not Evaluated
1.4.9 Images of Text (No Exception) (Level AAA)	Not Evaluated	Not Evaluated
2.1.3 Keyboard (No Exception) (Level AAA)	Not Evaluated	Not Evaluated
2.2.3 No Timing (Level AAA)	Not Evaluated	Not Evaluated
2.2.4 Interruptions (Level AAA)	Not Evaluated	Not Evaluated
2.2.5 Re-authenticating (Level AAA)	Not Evaluated	Not Evaluated
2.2.6 Timeouts (Level AAA 2.1 only)	Not Evaluated	Not Evaluated
2.3.2 Three Flashes (Level AAA)	Not Evaluated	Not Evaluated
2.3.3 Animation from Interactions (Level AAA 2.1 only)	Not Evaluated	Not Evaluated
2.4.8 Location (Level AAA)	Not Evaluated	Not Evaluated
2.4.9 Link Purpose (Link Only) (Level AAA)	Not Evaluated	Not Evaluated
2.4.10 Section Headings (Level AAA)	Not Evaluated	Not Evaluated
2.5.5 Target Size (Level AAA 2.1 only)	Not Evaluated	Not Evaluated
2.5.6 Concurrent Input Mechanisms (Level AAA 2.1 only)	Not Evaluated	Not Evaluated

3.1.3 Unusual Words (Level AAA)	Not Evaluated	Not Evaluated
3.1.4 Abbreviations (Level AAA)	Not Evaluated	Not Evaluated

Criteria	Conformance Level	Remarks and Explanations
3.1.5 Reading Level (Level AAA)	Not Evaluated	Not Evaluated
3.1.6 Pronunciation (Level AAA)	Not Evaluated	Not Evaluated
3.2.5 Change on Request (Level AAA)	Not Evaluated	Not Evaluated
3.3.5 Help (Level AAA)	Not Evaluated	Not Evaluated
3.3.6 Error Prevention (All) (Level AAA)	Not Evaluated	Not Evaluated

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