



Compliance driven vulnerabilities

The effect of a quality aspect on software security

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Conflicts: Building security/Human safety (1/2)

Car park entrance and personnel gate

Personnel gate lock release located beyond external reach

Radio-controlled main gate access and paired devices

Recorded and monitored CCTV

Security warnings

Security awareness

Maintained fire extinguishes

Conflicts: Building security/Human safety (2/2)



Main gate opens on fire detection

Emergency personnel gate unlock switch



Fluorescent emergency exit signs



Software quality characteristics

- **Functionality**

Suitability, Accuracy, Interoperability, Security, Compliance

- **Reliability**

Maturity, Fault Tolerance, Recoverability

- **Usability**

Understandability, Learnability, Operability

- **Efficiency**

Time behaviour, resource utilisation

- **Maintainability**

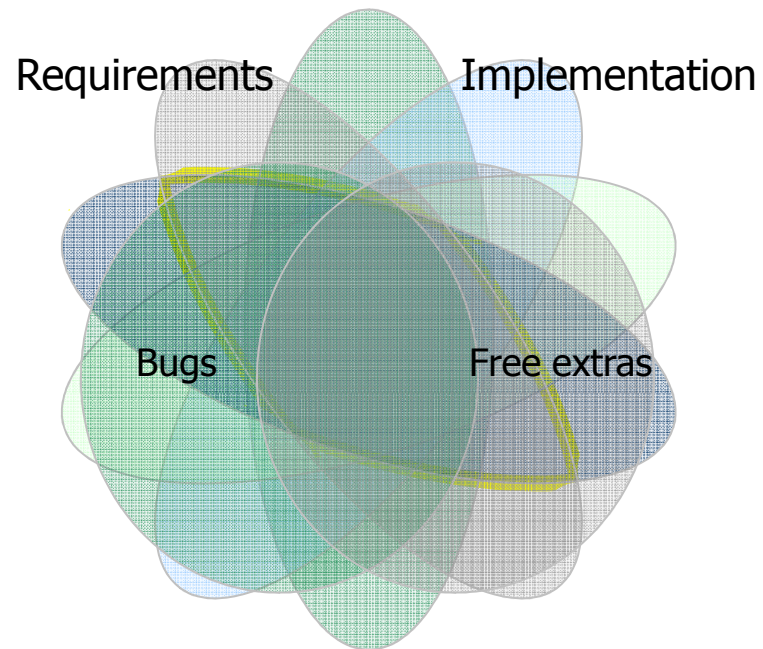
Analysability, Changeability, Stability, Testability

- **Portability**

Adaptability, Installability, Co-existence, Replaceability, Conformance



Requirements and implementation



- Implemented accessible features
- What the application actually does (implemented)
- Quality aspect B
- Quality aspect A
- What the development team thought they built
- What the client wants (requirements)

JA Whittaker and HH Thompson 2003⁸



Mandates



Compliance

- Compliance with all types of mandates:
 - ▶ Corporate
Objectives, policies, contracts, agreements, initiatives
 - ▶ External standards
Sectoral, national, international
 - ▶ Regulation
Legislation, guidance, codes of practice
- In this presentation, **not** compliance with security mandates
- Compliance with mandates that can have security side-effects



Why does this matter?

■ Design

- ▶ Writing security specification
- ▶ Identifying security implications early in the development lifecycle
- ▶ Resolving conflicting demands

■ Development

■ Verification and testing

- ▶ Black box
 - Assessment planning
 - Fault identification
- ▶ White box
 - Understanding of critical areas



~~Think~~ like an attacker?



Think like a developer

Webapp security / Accessibility compliance

- To illustrate how this might.... we will look at accessibility requirements, which are a common aspect in webapp requirements
- In particular WCAG
- Frameworks do not support it so coders have to make it up
- Even a fairly simple website, that decides to adopt the standard, starts getting into heavy programming



How accessible?



Usability and accessibility

- Usability and accessibility have different though not incompatible design philosophies and goals^{2,3,4,5}
- Accessibility is not just about disability
- W3C Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (WCAG)⁶
- Like security...“build accessibility in”⁷



Q: Why do they care?



A: (usability and accessibility)

■ Business case

- ▶ Increased audience reach
- ▶ Higher conversion rate and repeat business
- ▶ Lower support costs
- ▶ Higher productivity

■ Legal requirements¹

■ Side effects

- ▶ Improved search engine optimisation
- ▶ Greater ability to repurpose information



WCAG Sniffing: On the way (1/2)

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Update on move to WCAG 2.0

October 16th, 2009




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Today the [official accessibility guidance](#) was updated to allow a choice of either WCAG 1.0 or WCAG 2.0 as the minimum standard for public sector websites:

Compliance with the Web Content Accessibility Guidelines is acceptable at Level Double-A of version 1.0 or the equivalent level in [version 2.0](#). Future policy and timetables for implementation will align with European Commission recommendations on the adoption of WCAG 2.0. Planned future updates to this guidance will include details of the specific conformance requirements for version 2.0.

- [Paragraph 5, Delivering inclusive websites \(TG102\)](#)

My [last post on accessibility](#) suggested it would be a good first step. The suggestion was generally supported, not least by Jack Pickard, who since his [initial response](#) has written a [more detailed article](#). In this, he sets out what he thinks the appropriate level of WCAG 2.0 should be for public sector websites. It's an excellent article and will certainly help COI to develop the accessibility guidance further and smooth the transition to version 2.0. If you have a view on this, I urge you to read Jack's article and comment.

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Accessibility

HM Treasury are continually working to improve the accessibility and usability of our content for users, including users with vision, hearing, mobility and cognitive impairments.

The World Wide Web Consortium (W3C) and Web Accessibility Initiative (WAI) provide Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (WCAG) to ensure website content is accessible. WCAG 2.0 was published on 11 December 2008 and HM Treasury's aim is to be compliant to AA standard.

If you experience any difficulties accessing any part of the website please contact the HM Treasury **e-communications team** for assistance.

Accessibility guidance


- Access keys
- Colours
- Font
- Images
- Mouse
- Text

Useful links



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This website has been developed according to the following standards:

- COI - Delivering Inclusive Websites guidelines
- World Wide Web Consortium WCAG 1.0 Double-A (AA) accessibility standard.
- Royal National Institute for the Blind (RNIB) website standards.
- Plain English Campaign.
- Compatible with the main browsers (IE6 and above, Mozilla, Firefox, Safari, Google Chrome).
- eGovernment and Dublin Core metadata standards.
- eGovernment electronic service delivery data standards.

Following the release of Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (WCAG) 2.0, we are in the process of updating our content to meet the new Level AA standards.

For more information follow the links on this page.

Principles for keeping this website up to date

We aim to update all the information on this website at least every 3 months, usually much more often than this. If you see any information on this website that is incorrect please notify the Web





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In this page: Making this website accessible.

Accessibility Statement

Madeley Parish Council takes a concerned and active role in promoting Web Accessibility. We have adopted accessibility best practices and standards. We have followed guidelines defined by the United Kingdom Government, European Union, Section 508 and Web Content Accessibility Guidelines 2.0. Users of Assistive Technologies have been actively involved in the testing of our Web pages during the design process.

Attaining a Standard

Since 2002, Madeley Parish Council has been striving to attain 100% accessibility for our Website. We believe that we have now achieved the highest possible standard. It has been achieved by going beyond recognised guidelines and instituting some of our own accessibility solutions. These have resulted from user feedback, which include:



Audio Alternative
The playing time for this web page is 3 minutes 27 seconds.



WCAG Sniffing: Been there, done it (2/2)



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enquiries@respiteholidays.co.uk

Standards and Compliance

On 27 July 2009, all content beginning with the URI <http://respiteholidays.co.uk> conform to Web Content Accessibility Guidelines 2.0 at <http://www.w3.org/TR/WCAG20/#aaa>. Level AAA conformance.

The technologies that this content "relies upon" are: XHTML 1.0 (Transitional), CSS2, JavaScript 1.2, JPEG, PNG, GIF.

The site has been tested in and renders consistently across the following browsers:

- [Firefox 3](#) (We recommend using this or the latest version of Firefox to get the most from the Web.)
- [Google Chrome 2](#)
- [Internet Explorer 7](#)
- [Internet Explorer 8](#)
- [Safari 4 \(for PC\)](#)
- [Safari 4 \(for Mac\)](#)

In addition the site has been tested in the following browsers and has found to be functional with some graphical restrictions. (PNG images appear as grey boxes). Users of these browsers are recommended to upgrade their software which can be done free of charge using the above links.

- Internet Explorer 5.0, 5.5, 6.0



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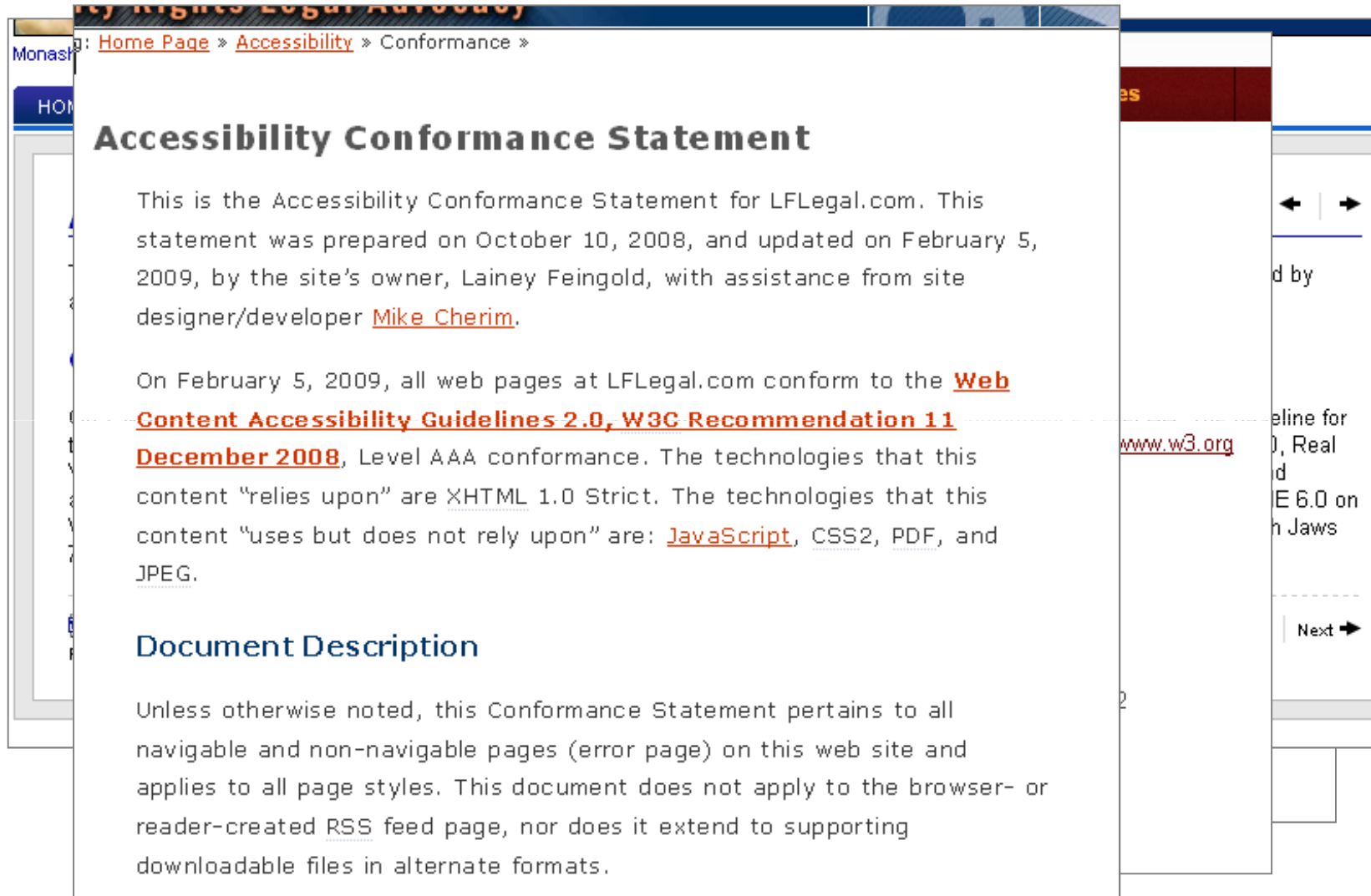


WCAG Sniffing: In the meta data

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<meta name="eGMS.subject.category" content="Local government" scheme="GCL" />
<meta name="eGMS.subject" content="Accessibility" />
<meta name="DC.language" content="ENG" scheme="ISO 639-2" />
<meta name="eGMS.accessibility" content="Double-A" scheme="eGMS.WCAG20" />
<meta name="description" content="Information on how to get the most out of Le
<meta name="keywords" content="accessiblity, access, website information, forr
<meta http-equiv="Content-Type" content="text/html; charset=iso-8859-1" />
<!--<meta http-equiv="nice-label" content="(nice-1 1 http://www.iana.org/nat
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WCAG Sniffing: Conformance claims



The screenshot shows a web browser window displaying the 'Accessibility Conformance Statement' for LFLegal.com. The browser's address bar shows the URL 'http://www.lflegal.com/Accessibility/Conformance/'. The page has a blue header with the text 'City Rights Legal Advocacy' and a navigation menu with links like 'Home Page', 'Accessibility', and 'Conformance'. The main content area is white with a blue border. It features a title 'Accessibility Conformance Statement' in bold. The text states that the statement was prepared on October 10, 2008, and updated on February 5, 2009, by the site's owner, Lainey Feingold, with assistance from site designer/developer Mike Cherim. It also mentions that on February 5, 2009, all web pages at LFLegal.com conform to the Web Content Accessibility Guidelines 2.0, W3C Recommendation 11 December 2008, Level AAA conformance. The technologies that this content 'relies upon' are XHTML 1.0 Strict. The technologies that this content 'uses but does not rely upon' are: JavaScript, CSS2, PDF, and JPEG. Below this is a section titled 'Document Description' which states that unless otherwise noted, this Conformance Statement pertains to all navigable and non-navigable pages (error page) on this web site and applies to all page styles. This document does not apply to the browser- or reader-created RSS feed page, nor does it extend to supporting downloadable files in alternate formats. On the right side of the page, there is a sidebar with a red header and a list of links, including 'Home', 'About', 'Contact', 'Privacy Policy', 'Terms of Service', 'Sitemap', 'RSS', 'Feeds', 'Links', 'Press', 'Media', 'Blog', 'FAQ', 'Glossary', 'Index', 'Search', 'Help', 'Feedback', 'Partners', 'Sponsors', 'Advisors', 'Staff', 'Board of Directors', 'Board of Advisors', 'Board of Trustees', 'Board of Directors', 'Board of Advisors', 'Board of Trustees', 'Board of Directors', 'Board of Advisors', 'Board of Trustees'. There are also navigation buttons like 'Previous' and 'Next'.

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Accessibility Conformance Statement

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WCAG 2.0 principles, guidelines and success criteria

- 4 principles
 - ▶ Perceivable, operable, understandable and robust
- 12 guidelines
 - ▶ 4, 4, 3 and 1 guidelines for the principles respectively
- 61 success criteria
 - ▶ Mapped to 264 sufficient techniques
- 3 conformance claim levels
 - ▶ Level A, AA or AAA (strictest)



WCAG 2.0 impact on a typical web page

Input instructions No keyboard trap Postpone or suppress interruptions
Unusual word definitions CAPTCHA text alternatives Focus order
Minimum contrast User error prevention
Page titles Purpose names Pause/stop/hide moving/blinking content
HTML parsing Focus visible User error identification
Text alternatives Labels Identifiable structure and relationships
Names, roles and values Adjustable timing Time-based media alternatives
Sign language interpretation for audio Resizable text Link purpose
Headings Visual presentation Audio track for video-only content
Change context on request only Multiple ways to locate Abbreviations
Descriptive identifiers No reliance on sensory characteristics
Flashing restrictions Extended audio descriptions
Ability to pause or stop audio Re-authenticate and continue
Pronunciation information Reading level
Functionality via keyboard Captions Low or no background audio
Context sensitive help Content bypass
No timing Alternatives to live audio User error prevention
Language identifiers Consistent navigation Identifiable reading sequence
Location in structure
On focus/input does not change context Link purpose



Eight issues relating to application security

No	Issue	WCAG 2.0 Conformance Level	A	AA	AAA
1	Additional text instances		✓	✓	✓
2	Alternate forms of CAPTCHA		✓	✓	✓
3	Additional files		✓	✓	✓
4	Use of third-party services		✓	✓	✓
5	Additional client-side scripting		✓	✓	✓
6	Flexible session timeouts		✓	✓	✓
7	Re-authentication recovery				✓
8	Code validity		✓	✓	✓



Mappings (1/4)

WCAG 2.0 Principles, Success Criteria and Conformance Levels to Security Issues

Success Criteria	Security Issues								
	Conformance	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1.1.1 Non-text Content	A	●	●		●				
1.2.1 Audio-only and Video-only (Prerecorded)	A	●		●					
1.2.2 Captions (Prerecorded)	A	●		●					
1.2.3 Audio Description or Media Alternative (Prerecorded)	A	●		●					
1.2.4 Captions (Live)	AA	●		●					
1.2.5 Audio Description (Prerecorded)	AA	●		●					
1.2.6 Sign Language (Prerecorded)	AAA	●		●					
1.2.7 Extended Audio Description (Prerecorded)	AAA	●		●					
1.2.8 Media Alternative (Prerecorded)	AAA	●		●					
1.2.9 Audio-only (Live)	AAA	●		●	●				
1.3.1 Info and Relationships	A	●							
1.3.2 Meaningful Sequence	A								
1.3.3 Sensory Characteristics	A	●							
1.4.1 Use of Color	A	●							
1.4.2 Audio Control	A								
1.4.3 Contrast (Minimum)	AA								
1.4.4 Resize text	AA					●			
1.4.5 Images of Text	AA								
1.4.6 Contrast (Enhanced)	AAA					●			
1.4.7 Low or No Background Audio	AAA								
1.4.8 Visual Presentation	AAA					●			
1.4.9 Images of Text (No Exception)	AAA								



Mappings (1/4)

WCAG 2.0 Sufficient Techniques to Security Issues

C16: Using CSS to change the presentation of a user interface component when it receives focus

C17: Scaling form elements which contain text

C18: Using CSS margin and padding rules instead of spacer images for layout design

C19: Specifying alignment either to the left OR right in CSS

C20: Using relative measurements to set column widths so that lines can average 80 characters

C21: Specifying line spacing in CSS

C22: Using CSS to control visual presentation of text

C23: Specifying text and background colors of secondary content such as banners, features, and messages

C24: Using percentage values in CSS for container sizes

C25: Specifying borders and layout in CSS to delineate areas of a Web page while not specifying colors

C26: Providing options within the content to switch to a layout that does not require the user to zoom

C27: Making the DOM order match the visual order

C28: Specifying the size of text containers using em units

C29: Using a style switcher to provide a conforming alternate version

C30: Using CSS to replace text with images of text and providing user interface controls to switch between the two

Client-side Scripting Techniques

SCR1: Allowing the user to extend the default time limit

SCR2: Using redundant keyboard and mouse event handlers

SCR14: Using scripts to make nonessential alerts optional

SCR16: Providing a script that warns the user a time limit is about to expire

SCR18: Providing client-side validation and alert



OWASP Top Ten 2010 rc1⁹ (3/4)

No	Issue	A	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1	Additional text instances		•	•								
2	Alternate forms of CAPTCHA				•							
3	Additional files		•		•	•						
4	Use of third-party services			•			•		•			
5	Additional client-side scripting		•	•								
6	Flexible session timeouts				•				•	•		
7	Re-authentication recovery				•				•	•	•	
8	Code validity			•		•						



OWASP ASVS 2008¹⁰ (4/4)

No	Issue	V	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
1	Additional text instances										●					
2	Alternate forms of CAPTCHA					●										
3	Additional files					●					●					
4	Use of third-party services					●	●	●			●		●		●	
5	Additional client-side scripting						●	●			●					
6	Flexible session timeouts					●										
7	Re-authentication recovery				●	●	●	●			●					
8	Code validity						●	●								



Issue 2: Alternate forms of CAPTCHA



Issue 2: Alternate forms of CAPTCHA

- 1.1.1 Non-text Content: All non-text content that is presented to the user has a text alternative that serves the equivalent purpose, except for the situations listed below. (Level A)
 - ▶ ...
 - ▶ CAPTCHA: If the purpose of non-text content is to confirm that content is being accessed by a person rather than a computer, then text alternatives that identify and describe the purpose of the non-text content are provided, and alternative forms of CAPTCHA using output modes for different types of sensory perception are provided to accommodate different disabilities.
 - ▶ ...
- Sufficient Techniques for 1.1.1 - Non-text Content
 - ▶ ...
 - ▶ Situation E: If non-text content is a CAPTCHA:
 - G143: Providing a text alternative that describes the purpose of the CAPTCHA AND G144: Ensuring that the Web Page contains another CAPTCHA serving the same purpose using a different modality
 - ▶ ...



Issue 6: Flexible session timeouts



Issue 6: Flexible session timeouts (1/3)

■ SC 2.2.1 Timing Adjustable: For each time limit that is set by the content, at least one of the following is true: (Level A)

- ▶ Turn off: The user is allowed to turn off the time limit before encountering it; or
- ▶ Adjust: The user is allowed to adjust the time limit before encountering it over a wide range that is at least ten times the length of the default setting; or
- ▶ Extend: The user is warned before time expires and given at least 20 seconds to extend the time limit with a simple action (for example, "press the space bar"), and the user is allowed to extend the time limit at least ten times; or
- ▶ Real-time Exception: The time limit is a required part of a real-time event (for example, an auction), and no alternative to the time limit is possible; or
- ▶ Essential Exception: The time limit is essential and extending it would invalidate the activity; or
- ▶ 20 Hour Exception: The time limit is longer than 20 hours.



Issue 6: Flexible session timeouts (2/3)

■ Sufficient Techniques for 2.2.1 - Timing Adjustable

- ▶ Situation A: If there are session time limits:
 - G133: Providing a checkbox on the first page of a multipart form that allows users to ask for longer session time limit or no session time limit
 - G198: Providing a way for the user to turn the time limit off
- ▶ Situation B: If a time limit is controlled by a script on the page:
 - G198: Providing a way for the user to turn the time limit off
 - G180: Providing the user with a means to set the time limit to 10 times the default time limit
 - SCR16: Providing a script that warns the user a time limit is about to expire (Scripting) AND SCR1: Allowing the user to extend the default time limit (Scripting)
- ▶ Situation C: If there are time limits on reading:
 - G4: Allowing the content to be paused and restarted from where it was paused
 - G198: Providing a way for the user to turn the time limit off
 - SCR33: Using script to scroll content, and providing a mechanism to pause it (Scripting)
 - SCR36: Providing a mechanism to allow users to display moving, scrolling, or auto-updating text in a static window or area (Scripting)

Issue 6: Flexible session timeouts (3/3)

- SC 2.2.3 No Timing: Timing is not an essential part of the event or activity presented by the content, except for non-interactive synchronized media and real-time events. (Level AAA)
- Sufficient Techniques for 2.2.3 - No Timing
 - ▶ G5: Allowing users to complete an activity without any time limit



WCAG Sniffing: Functionality defined (1/5)

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2007

Task 2 - Milestone 2

Task:

- **Authentication and Session Management**
 - **variable session timeout for different user/groups**
 - **10min grains - no timeout**
 - one session only per loginID
 - prompt for session overwrite
- **User Login Management Portlet**
 - **manage users' session time out**
 - **tracks the users login/logout history**
 - force log out of users

Developed portlet for managing **session timeout** values so every **user group** would have a customizable timeout. Default timeout from properties will be used if timeout for usergroup is not defined. Decided to allow free input of timeout instead of 10min grains. No point running a list, more flexible with a textfield. session_timeout.jsp has been modified to run a query to find the session timeout from DB instead of using default immediately.

Audit Trail module and search portlet done up.



WCAG Sniffing: Functionality defined (2/5)

Total cost per month		
View one-time startup fee.		
START!	Free Web Timesheet Trial	
Details:	Basic	Corporate
No-obligation free trial	free trial	free trial
Payment options	CR/CC/PP	CR/CC/PP/PO
Maximum number of employees	100	unlimited
Daily, automatic backup of data	✓	✓
40+ reports, Customizable data export, Report Builder	✓	✓
Notifications by email for incomplete timesheets	✓	✓
Flexible security for users and managers	✓	✓
Mobile Web Access from Handheld Devices	✓	✓
Desktop application for offline access	✓	✓
Free email support	✓	✓
Free phone support (U.S. and Canada only)	✓	✓
Data export capability	✓	✓
Access to Divisions		✓
Associate tasks with jobs		✓
Restrict jobs/projects by division or employee		✓
Customizable Employment Types		✓
Variable session timeout settings		✓
Custom Messages and Alerts		✓
Priority technical response		✓
High-speed report server		✓
CD-ROM annual archive option*		✓
Data import capability		✓
Excel Linking		✓



WCAG Sniffing: Functionality defined (3/5)



The screenshot shows the OppForces website interface. At the top, there's a header with "Hello" on the left and the date "November 05, 2009, 07:17:57 AM" on the right. Below the header, a welcome message says "Welcome, Guest. Please login or register." followed by a login form. The login form has two input fields for username and password, a "Login" button, and a dropdown menu for session length. The dropdown menu is open, showing options: "Forever", "1 Hour", "1 Day", "1 Week", "1 Month", and "Forever". Below the login form is a large banner image featuring four soldiers in tactical gear holding rifles, with the text "TASK FORCE H.Q." overlaid. To the right of the banner, the text "OPPFORCES.COM" is visible. Below the banner, there's a news section with the text "News: Welcome To OppForces Gaming Community" and a search bar with a "Search" button. At the bottom, there's a navigation menu with links: "HOME", "HELP", "LOGIN", and "REGISTER". On the left side of the bottom section, there's a "Welcome, Guest. Please login or register." message with a date and time, and a login form. On the right side of the bottom section, there's a "Register - Required Information" form with fields for "Choose username:", "Email:", "Choose password:", and "Verify password:".

Hello November 05, 2009, 07:17:57 AM

Welcome, Guest. Please login or register.

Login with username, password and session length

Forever
1 Hour
1 Day
1 Week
1 Month
Forever

OPPFORCES.COM

TASK FORCE H.Q.

News: Welcome To OppForces Gaming Community

HOME HELP LOGIN REGISTER

Welcome, Guest. Please login or register.
November 05, 2009, 07:17:57 AM

Forever Login
Login with username, password and session

Register - Required Information

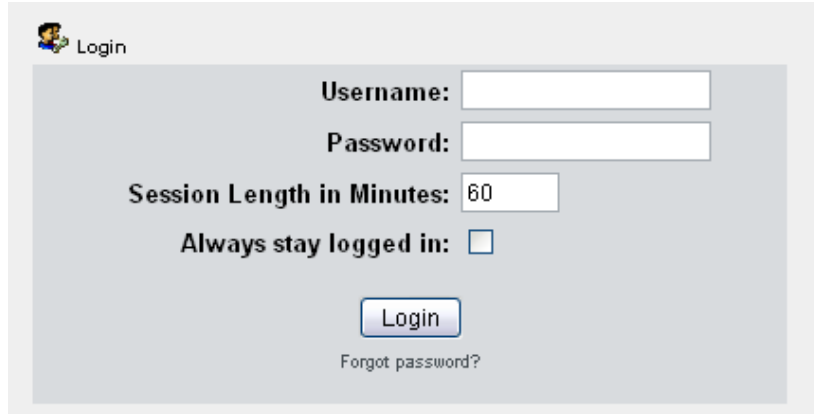
Choose username:
Used only for identification by SMF.

Email:
This must be a valid email address.

Choose password:

Verify password:

WCAG Sniffing: Functionality defined (4/5)



Login

Username:

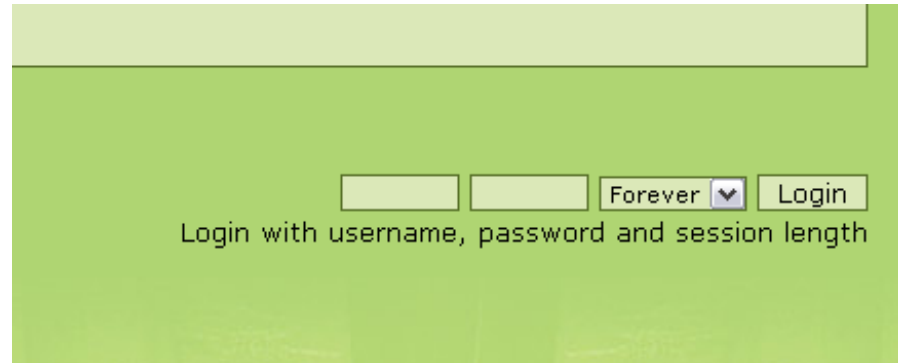
Password:

Session Length in Minutes:

Always stay logged in: ☐

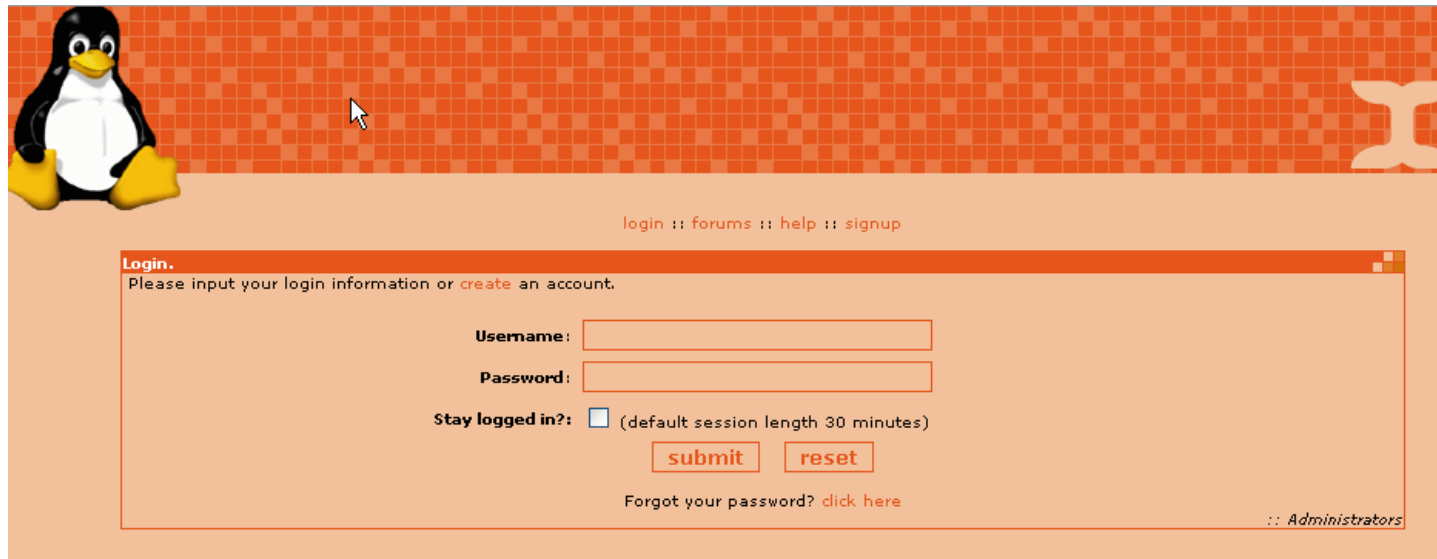
Login

[Forgot password?](#)



Forever Login

Login with username, password and session length



login :: forums :: help :: signup

Login.
Please input your login information or [create](#) an account.

Username:

Password:

Stay logged in?: ☐ (default session length 30 minutes)

[Forgot your password? click here](#)

[:: Administrators](#)

WCAG Sniffing: Functionality defined (5/5)

The screenshot shows a web application interface. At the top is a dark blue navigation bar with white text links: HOME, ABOUT, PORTFOLIO, CONTACT, and SEARCH. Below this, the page has a light blue and white watercolor background. On the left, the word "Login" is written in a large, bold, black serif font. In the center, there is a light yellow rectangular box with a drop shadow, containing the text "Please login to access site resources." in a green italicized serif font. Below this text are three input fields: "Username:" with a text box, "Password:" with a text box, and "Session Length:" with a dropdown menu. The dropdown menu is open, showing a list of options: "1 Day", "2 Days", "3 Days", "5 Days", "7 Days", "2 Weeks", "1 Month", "3 Months", "6 Months" (which is highlighted with a mouse cursor), "1 Year", and "Indefinite Time". On the right side of the page, there is a light yellow box with the heading "Login" in bold. Below the heading, there is a paragraph of text: "Logging into this site enables you to access features of the site not normally available to standard visitors." followed by another paragraph: "Please make sure cookies are enabled in your browser. ([Cookies are not used for tracking or malicious purposes.](#))".

HOME ABOUT PORTFOLIO CONTACT SEARCH

Login

Please login to access site resources.

Username:

Password:

Session Length:

- 1 Day
- 2 Days
- 3 Days
- 5 Days
- 7 Days
- 2 Weeks
- 1 Month
- 3 Months
- 6 Months
- 1 Year
- Indefinite Time

Login

Logging into this site enables you to access features of the site not normally available to standard visitors.

Please make sure cookies are enabled in your browser. ([Cookies are not used for tracking or malicious purposes.](#))

Issue 7: Re-authentication recovery

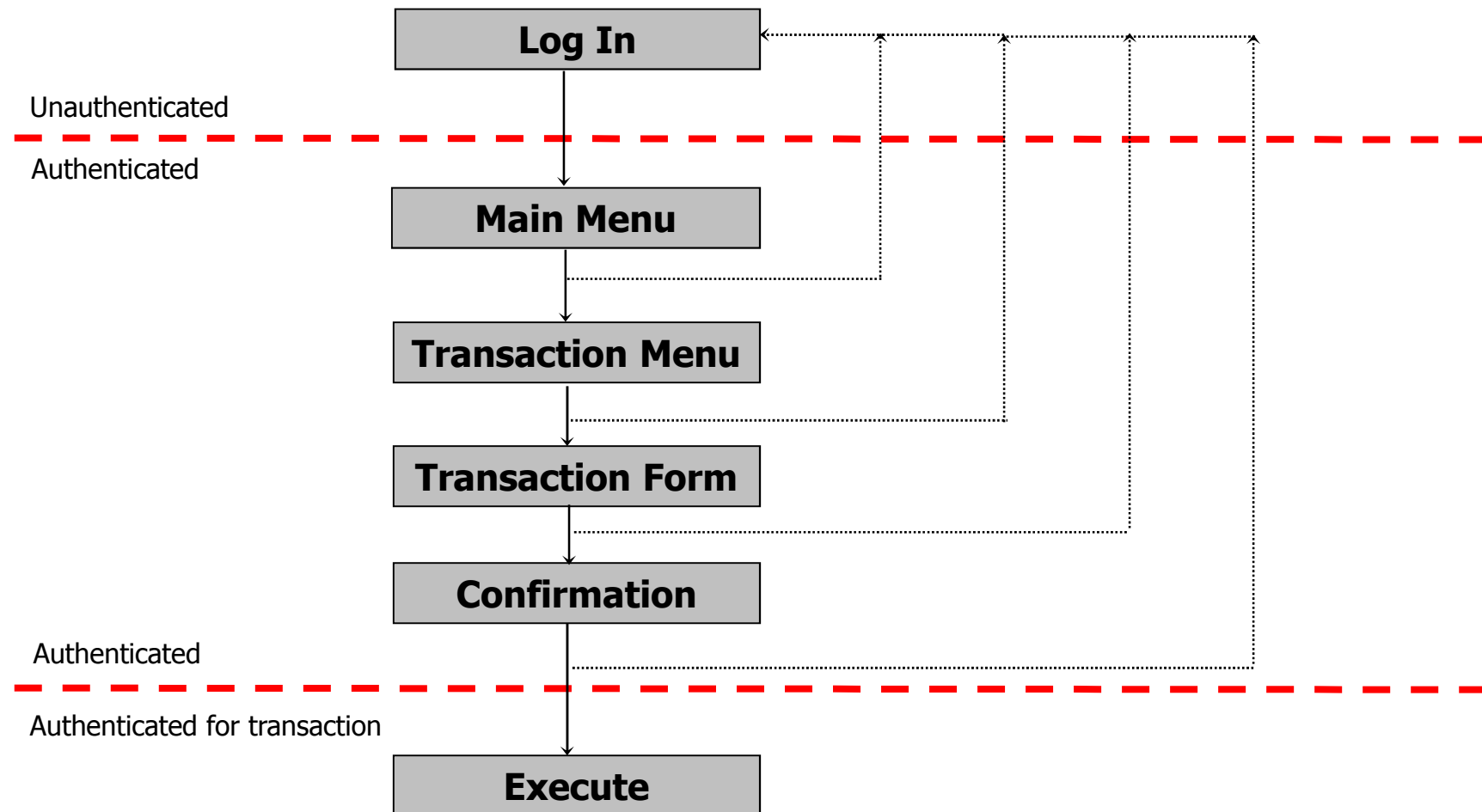


Issue 7: Re-authentication recovery

- SC 2.2.5 Re-authenticating: When an authenticated session expires, the user can continue the activity without loss of data after re-authenticating. (Level AAA)
- Sufficient Techniques for 2.2.5 - Re-authenticating
 - ▶ Providing options to continue without loss of data using one of the following techniques:
 - G105: Saving data so that it can be used after a user re-authenticates
 - G181: Encoding user data as hidden or encrypted data in a re-authorization page



Re-authentication recovery transition graph*



WCAG Sniffing: Hopefully there... (1/3)



The screenshot shows the Lambeth Council website. At the top, there is a site search bar and the date "Thursday 5 November 2009". Below the navigation bar, a "Menu" is visible on the left, listing various council services. The main content area is titled "Home > How to use this site > Accessibility". It contains sections for "Accessibility", "Ease of use", and "Useful information". A mouse cursor is hovering over the link "Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (WCAG) Level 'AA'", which has a tooltip that says "Opens in a new window".

Site search

Lambeth Thursday 5 November 2009

Home A to Z Site map How to use this site

Menu

- About Lambeth
- Advice and benefits
- Business
- Community and living
- Council and democracy
- Education and learning
- Environment
- Health and social care
- Housing and planning
- Jobs and careers
- Leisure and culture
- Transport and streets

Home > How to use this site > Accessibility

Accessibility

The London Borough of Lambeth is committed to ensuring access to information for everyone.

Ease of use

We have made every effort to make this site accessible and easy to use for everyone, no matter what browser you choose to use, and whether or not you have any disabilities.

We make every effort to ensure that all pages on this site are valid to **Extensible Hyper Text Mark-up Language (XHTML) 1.0 Transitional** and use **valid Cascading Style Sheets (CSS)**.

We also try to ensure that the HTML pages on our website conform to the **Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (WCAG) Level "AA"**.

We are working on improving the accessibility of pages that do not conform. These include our **Planning database** and some of our **forms**.

If you have difficulty accessing any of the pages on the site, please read our **Finding information page**.

The site's layout takes into account users who are visually impaired or

Useful information


- How to use this site - Frequently asked questions**
- Website service standard and statistics 2008**
- Finding information if pages are not completely accessible**

Useful websites

- BBC webwise - learn to use the web**
- BBC My Web My Way - accessibility guidance**
- RNIB**
- Ability Net**
- Plain English Campaign**



WCAG Sniffing: Hopefully there... (2/3)



Site search

Lambeth

Thursday 5 November 2009

[Home](#) [A to Z](#) [Site map](#) [How to use this site](#)

Service Menu

- Advice and benefits
- Business
- Community and living
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Home > Leasehold insurance enquiry form (step 2 of 3)

Leasehold insurance enquiry form (step 2 of 3)

Property details

* **Property name or number**

* **Street address**

* **Postcode**

Contact number

Email address

Correspondence address

The correspondence address is where we will write to you with further information on your property if it is different from the leasehold property. Leave this blank if it is the same as the address above.

Property name or number

Street address


Town/City

Country

Who to contact

Insurance Services
3rd Floor
Olive Morris House
18 Brixton Hill
Phone numbers:
020 7926 9290
020 7926 9330
020 7926 9301
RiskandInsurance
[@lambeth.gov.uk](mailto:RiskandInsurance@lambeth.gov.uk)

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WCAG Sniffing: Hopefully there... (3/3)

Server Error in '/Lambeth.EForms.LeaseholdEnquiry' Application.

Runtime Error

Description: An application error occurred on the server. The current custom error settings for this application prevent the details of the application error from being viewed remotely (for security reasons). It could, however, be viewed by browsers running on the local server machine.

Details: To enable the details of this specific error message to be viewable on remote machines, please create a <customErrors> tag within a "web.config" configuration file located in the root directory of the current web application. This <customErrors> tag should then have its "mode" attribute set to "Off".

```
<!-- Web.Config Configuration File -->

<configuration>
  <system.web>
    <customErrors mode="Off"/>
  </system.web>
</configuration>
```

Notes: The current error page you are seeing can be replaced by a custom error page by modifying the "defaultRedirect" attribute of the application's <customErrors> configuration tag to point to a custom error page URL.

```
<!-- Web.Config Configuration File -->

<configuration>
  <system.web>
    <customErrors mode="RemoteOnly" defaultRedirect="mycustompage.htm"/>
  </system.web>
</configuration>
```



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