

Respondus Accessibility Conformance Report

WCAG Edition

(Based on VPAT® Version 2.5Rev)

Name of Product/Version: Respondus 4

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Product Description: Respondus 4 is a client-based authoring tool used by instructors to create assessments that are then uploaded to learning management systems such as Blackboard. Respondus 4.0 streamlines the ability to create assessments, but there are no features in Respondus 4 that cannot be accomplished directly within the learning management system itself. Also note that all assessment content created with Respondus 4 can easily be made WCAG compliant. For example, when an image or equation is added to a question, Respondus 4 prompts the instructor to enter ALT tags. Finally, note that Respondus 4 is never used by students, only instructors.

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Applicable Standards/Guidelines

This report covers the degree of conformance for 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)
Web Content Accessibility Guidelines 2.2	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 only be used in WCAG Level AAA criteria.

WCAG 2.2 Report

Table 1: Success Criteria, Level A

Criteria	Conformance Level	Remarks and Explanations
1.1.1 Non-text Content (Level A)	Not Applicable	
1.2.1 Audio-only and Video-only (Prerecorded) (Level A)	Not Applicable	
1.2.2 Captions (Prerecorded) (Level A)	Not Applicable	
1.2.3 Audio Description or Media Alternative (Prerecorded) (Level A)	Not Applicable	
1.3.1 Info and Relationships (Level A)	Supports	
1.3.2 Meaningful Sequence (Level A)	Supports	
1.3.3 Sensory Characteristics (Level A)	Supports	
1.4.1 Use of Color (Level A)	Supports	
1.4.2 Audio Control (Level A)	Not Applicable	
2.1.1 Keyboard (Level A)	Partially Supports	Explanation: Respondus 4 is an authoring tool used by instructors to create web-based assessments for students. Accessibility is controlled by the Learning Management System (LMS) to which the assessment is published or uploaded. The authoring environment used by instructors may require the use of a mouse.
2.1.2 No Keyboard Trap (Level A)	Supports	

Criteria	Conformance Level	Remarks and Explanations
2.1.4 Character Key Shortcuts (Level A 2.1 and 2.2)	Not Applicable	
2.2.1 Timing Adjustable (Level A)	Not Applicable	
2.2.2 Pause, Stop, Hide (Level A)	Not Applicable	
2.3.1 Three Flashes or Below Threshold (Level A)	Not Applicable	
2.4.1 Bypass Blocks (Level A)	Not Applicable	
2.4.2 Page Titled (Level A)	Not Applicable	
2.4.3 Focus Order (Level A)	Supports	
2.4.4 Link Purpose (In Context) (Level A)	Supports	
2.5.1 Pointer Gestures (Level A 2.1 and 2.2)	Supports	
2.5.2 Pointer Cancellation (Level A 2.1 and 2.2)	Not Applicable	
2.5.3 Label in Name (Level A 2.1 and 2.2)	Not Applicable	
2.5.4 Motion Actuation (Level A 2.1 and 2.2)	Not Applicable	
3.1.1 Language of Page (Level A)	Supports	
3.2.1 On Focus (Level A)	Supports	
3.2.2 On Input (Level A)	Supports	
3.2.6 Consistent Help (Level A 2.2 only)	Supports	
3.3.1 Error Identification (Level A)	Supports	

Criteria	Conformance Level	Remarks and Explanations
3.3.2 Labels or Instructions (Level A)	Supports	
3.3.7 Redundant Entry (Level A 2.2 only)	Supports	
4.1.1 Parsing (Level A) WCAG 2.0 and 2.1 – Always answer ‘Supports’ WCAG 2.2 (obsolete and removed) – Does not apply	Supports/Not Applicable	
4.1.2 Name, Role, Value (Level A)	Not Applicable	

Table 2: Success Criteria, Level AA

Notes: The product has been evaluated separately on a Mac and on a Windows computer. There are slight differences between the product experience, depending on operating system, and those differences are called out in the table below if relevant to WCAG conformance.

Criteria	Conformance Level	Remarks and Explanations
1.2.4 Captions (Live) (Level AA)	Not Applicable	
1.2.5 Audio Description (Prerecorded) (Level AA)	Not Applicable	
1.3.4 Orientation (Level AA 2.1 and 2.2)	Not Applicable	
1.3.5 Identify Input Purpose (Level AA 2.1 and 2.2)	Not Applicable	
1.4.3 Contrast (Minimum) (Level AA)	Partially Supports	Explanation: Respondus 4 is an authoring tool used by instructors to create web-based assessments for students. Accessibility is controlled by the Learning Management System (LMS) to which the assessment is published or uploaded.

Criteria	Conformance Level	Remarks and Explanations
1.4.4 Resize text (Level AA)	Does Not Support	Explanation: Respondus 4 is an authoring tool used by instructors to create web-based assessments for students. Accessibility is controlled by the Learning Management System (LMS) to which the assessment is published or uploaded.
1.4.5 Images of Text (Level AA)	Not Applicable	
1.4.10 Reflow (Level AA 2.1 and 2.2)	Does Not Support	Explanation: Respondus 4 is an authoring tool used by instructors to create web-based assessments for students. Accessibility is controlled by the Learning Management System (LMS) to which the assessment is published or uploaded.
1.4.11 Non-text Contrast (Level AA 2.1 and 2.2)	Partially Supports	Explanation: Respondus 4 is an authoring tool used by instructors to create web-based assessments for students. Accessibility is controlled by the Learning Management System (LMS) to which the assessment is published or uploaded.
1.4.12 Text Spacing (Level AA 2.1 and 2.2)	Supports	
1.4.13 Content on Hover or Focus (Level AA 2.1 and 2.2)	Partially Supports	Exception: Respondus 4 is an authoring tool used by instructors to create web-based assessments for students. This authoring tool contains a single Editor Toolbar that has popup labels which are not dismissible. All other menus, toolbars, and interface items are compliant.
2.4.5 Multiple Ways (Level AA)	Not Applicable	

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2.4.6 Headings and Labels (Level AA)	Supports	
2.4.7 Focus Visible (Level AA)	Supports	
2.4.11 Focus Not Obscured (Minimum) (Level AA 2.2 only)	Supports	
2.5.7 Dragging Movements (Level AA 2.2 only)	Supports	
2.5.8 Target Size (Minimum) (Level AA 2.2 only)	Partially Supports	
3.1.2 Language of Parts (Level AA)	Not Applicable	
3.2.3 Consistent Navigation (Level AA)	Supports	
3.2.4 Consistent Identification (Level AA)	Supports	
3.3.3 Error Suggestion (Level AA)	Supports	
3.3.4 Error Prevention (Legal, Financial, Data) (Level AA)	Not Applicable	
3.3.8 Accessible Authentication (Minimum) (Level AA 2.2 only)	Supports	
4.1.3 Status Messages (Level AA 2.1 and 2.2)	Supports	

Table 3: Success Criteria, Level AAA

Notes: Not evaluated.

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