

SUCCESS CRITERION 1.4.3 · LEVEL AA

Contrast (Minimum)



“Is that text or a chameleon? I can't tell because it's blending into the background!”

Who this helps: Low Vision

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Text and images of text have a contrast ratio of at least 4.5:1, except for large text, incidental text, or logos.

Principle 1: Perceivable

Guideline 1.4: Distinguishable

What each role can do

Product manager

Maintain a minimum contrast ratio for text to ensure readability.

Designer

Use a color contrast tool to check and validate text-to-background contrast.

Developer

Use CSS to set text and background colors that meet the minimum contrast requirements.

Tester

Test contrast ratios on multiple devices under various lighting conditions.

Once it is fixed



> “Ah, now I can read without straining my eyes. You're a lifesaver!”

WCAG Quotes

Every WCAG 2.2 success criterion, told by the person it helps.

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