

SUCCESS CRITERION 2.4.12 · LEVEL AAA

Focus Not Obscured (Enhanced)



“One leaf held close is enough to hide the sun. One banner is enough to hide my focus.”

Who this helps: Visual Impairments, Motor Impairments

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When a user interface component receives keyboard focus, no part of it is obscured by other content, ensuring complete visibility of the focused element.

Principle 2: Operable

Guideline 2.4: Navigable

What each role can do

Product manager

Aim for the highest level of clarity by ensuring that no focused component is partially or fully obscured.

Designer

Design the user experience to keep the focus area completely unobscured, regardless of the site's dynamic content or overlays.

Developer

Develop web pages so that focused elements are always fully visible and not covered by any author-created content.

Tester

Conduct thorough accessibility testing to ensure that when elements receive focus, they are entirely visible.

Once it is fixed



> “Not a leaf in the way now. I can see my whole focus, edge to edge. Thank you!”

WCAG Quotes

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

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