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Pre-Launch Validation

Quick Reference Card

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Standards: WCAG 2.2 AA, ADA, Section 508

Quick Start (30 minutes)

Step 1: Scan Your Site (10 min)

Step 2: Review Violations (10 min)

Priority Order: P0 (Critical) - Fix immediately - Missing alt text - Missing labels - Keyboard traps - Missing focus indicators P1 (High) - Fix before launch - Color contrast < 4.5:1 - Missing ARIA labels - Incorrect heading hierarchy - Missing skip links P2 (Medium) - Fix this week - Missing lang attributes

- Redundant links
- Generic button text
- P3 (Low) Nice to have
 - Minor formatting issues

Step 3: Apply Fixes (10 min)

For each page with violations:

- 1. Click "View Fixes"
- 2. Choose delivery method:
 - → Overlays (recommended for launch)
 - → Source Code (permanent)
 - → GitHub PR (code review)
- 3. Download/apply fixes
- 4. Re-scan to verify

©* Launch Readiness Checklist

Must Have (P0 & P1)

- Zero P0 violations
- < 5 P1 violations
- All forms have labels
- All images have alt text
- Keyboard navigation works
- Focus indicators visible
- Color contrast ≥ 4.5:1
- Skip links work

Should Have (P2)

- Proper heading hierarchy
- ARIA labels where needed
- Lang attributes
- Meta descriptions

Nice to Have (P3)

- All minor issues fixed
- Full WCAG 2.2 AA compliance
- VPAT completed
- Accessibility statement published

Manual Testing (15 min)

Keyboard Navigation

- 1. Press Tab to navigate
- 2. Press Enter to activate links
- 3. Press Space to activate buttons
- 4. Press Escape to close modals
- 5. Verify focus is visible on all elements

Screen Reader

- Install NVDA (Windows) or VoiceOver (Mac)
- 2. Navigate through each page
- 3. Listen to all content
- 4. Verify form labels are announced
- 5. Verify button purposes are clear

Visual Testing

- 1. Zoom browser to 200%
- 2. Check text is readable
- 3. Check layout doesn't break
- 4. Verify color contrast
- 5. Test on mobile device

III Weekly Monitoring

Automated Scans

Every Monday:

- 1. Run scan on all public pages
- 2. Review violations
- 3. Apply fixes by Friday

Manual Checks

Every Week:

- Test new features with keyboard
- Test new content with screen reader
- Check color contrast on new pages

E Keeping Updated

WCAG Standards

Automatically updated by Halytic:

- ✓ New WCAG rules added
- ✓ Existing rules refined
- ✓ Deprecated rules removed

Legal Requirements

Monitor quarterly:

- ADA Title III updates
- Section 508 revisions
- State-level laws (CA, NY)
- International laws (EU, UK, CA, AU)

Action Items

When standards change:

- 1. Re-scan all pages
- 2. Review new violations
- 3. Apply fixes
- 4. Update documentation
- 5. Update accessibility statement

Support

Resources

- Validation Plan: docs/PRE_LAUNCH_VALIDATION_PLAN.md
- PDF Guides: / resources
- WCAG 2.2: https://www.w3.org/WAI/WCAG22/quickref/

Contact

- Accessibility Issues: <u>accessibility@halytic.ai</u>
- Technical Support: support@halytic.ai

You're Ready!

Once you've:

- Scanned all pages
- V Fixed P0 & P1 violations
- Tested with keyboard & screen reader
- Verified color contrast
- V Published accessibility statement

You're ready to launch! 🖋

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