WCAG 2.2 AA Checklist

All 55 WCAG 2.2 Level A and AA success criteria in plain English. Tick each one when your site meets it.

"Partly" means automated scans can flag some failures; every criterion still needs a manual check. WCAG 2.1 AA has 50 criteria; this list leaves out 4.1.1 Parsing, which W3C says to treat as always passed, and adds the 6 new A and AA criteria in WCAG 2.2.

Interactive version and free scan: https://inclusense.eu/wcag/2-2-checklist

1. Perceivable

1. Perceivable: WCAG 2.2 success criteria

DONE	SC	SUCCESS CRITERION	LEVEL	WHAT IT REQUIRES	SCAN CAN FLAG?
☐	1.1.1	Non-text Content	A	Provide text alternatives (alt text) for images and non-text content.	Partly
☐	1.2.1	Audio-only & Video-only (Prerecorded)	A	Give a transcript for audio, and a description or transcript for silent video.	Manual only
☐	1.2.2	Captions (Prerecorded)	A	Add captions to all prerecorded video with audio.	Manual only
☐	1.2.3	Audio Description or Media Alternative	A	Provide audio description or a full text alternative for prerecorded video.	Manual only
☐	1.2.4	Captions (Live)	AA	Add real-time captions to live audio content.	Manual only
☐	1.2.5	Audio Description (Prerecorded)	AA	Provide audio description for all prerecorded video.	Manual only
☐	1.3.1	Info and Relationships	A	Convey structure with real markup: headings, lists, tables, labels.	Partly
☐	1.3.2	Meaningful Sequence	A	Reading and navigation order in the code makes sense.	Manual only
☐	1.3.3	Sensory Characteristics	A	Don't rely on shape, size or position alone (e.g. "the button on the right").	Manual only
☐	1.3.4	Orientation	AA	Don't lock content to portrait or landscape unless essential.	Manual only
☐	1.3.5	Identify Input Purpose	AA	Mark up common form fields so browsers can autofill them.	Partly
☐	1.4.1	Use of Color	A	Don't use colour as the only way to convey information.	Partly
☐	1.4.2	Audio Control	A	Let users pause or stop audio that plays for more than 3 seconds.	Manual only
☐	1.4.3	Contrast (Minimum)	AA	Text contrast at least 4.5:1 (3:1 for large text).	Partly
☐	1.4.4	Resize Text	AA	Text resizes to 200% without loss of content or function.	Partly
☐	1.4.5	Images of Text	AA	Use real text instead of images of text where possible.	Manual only
☐	1.4.10	Reflow	AA	Content reflows to a single column at 320px with no horizontal scroll.	Manual only
☐	1.4.11	Non-text Contrast	AA	UI components and graphics have at least 3:1 contrast.	Manual only

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☐	1.4.12	Text Spacing	AA	No loss of content when users adjust line, letter and word spacing.	Manual only
☐	1.4.13	Content on Hover or Focus	AA	Hover and focus pop-ups are dismissible, hoverable and persistent.	Manual only

2. Operable

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DONE	SC	SUCCESS CRITERION	LEVEL	WHAT IT REQUIRES	SCAN CAN FLAG?
☐	2.1.1	Keyboard	A	All functionality works with a keyboard alone.	Partly
☐	2.1.2	No Keyboard Trap	A	Keyboard focus can always move away from any component.	Manual only
☐	2.1.4	Character Key Shortcuts	A	Single-key shortcuts can be turned off or remapped.	Manual only
☐	2.2.1	Timing Adjustable	A	Users can turn off, adjust or extend time limits.	Partly
☐	2.2.2	Pause, Stop, Hide	A	Provide controls for moving, blinking or auto-updating content.	Partly
☐	2.3.1	Three Flashes or Below Threshold	A	Nothing flashes more than three times per second.	Manual only
☐	2.4.1	Bypass Blocks	A	Offer a skip link or landmarks to bypass repeated content.	Partly
☐	2.4.2	Page Titled	A	Every page has a descriptive, unique title.	Partly
☐	2.4.3	Focus Order	A	Focus moves in a logical, meaningful order.	Manual only
☐	2.4.4	Link Purpose (In Context)	A	Link purpose is clear from its text or context.	Partly
☐	2.4.5	Multiple Ways	AA	Provide more than one way to find pages (search, menu, sitemap).	Manual only
☐	2.4.6	Headings and Labels	AA	Headings and labels describe topic or purpose.	Manual only
☐	2.4.7	Focus Visible	AA	Keyboard focus is always clearly visible.	Manual only
☐	2.4.11	Focus Not Obscured (Minimum) New in WCAG 2.2	AA	Focused elements aren't fully hidden by sticky headers or overlays.	Manual only
☐	2.5.1	Pointer Gestures	A	Multipoint or path gestures have a single-pointer alternative.	Manual only
☐	2.5.2	Pointer Cancellation	A	Actions complete on release, so users can abort by moving away.	Manual only
☐	2.5.3	Label in Name	A	A control's visible label is part of its accessible name.	Manual only
☐	2.5.4	Motion Actuation	A	Device-motion functions have a UI alternative and can be disabled.	Manual only

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☐	2.5.7	Dragging Movements New in WCAG 2.2	AA	Dragging actions have a simple single-pointer alternative.	Manual only
☐	2.5.8	Target Size (Minimum) New in WCAG 2.2	AA	Clickable targets are at least 24×24 CSS pixels or well spaced.	Partly

3. Understandable

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DONE	SC	SUCCESS CRITERION	LEVEL	WHAT IT REQUIRES	SCAN CAN FLAG?
☐	3.1.1	Language of Page	A	The page's default language is set in code.	Partly
☐	3.1.2	Language of Parts	AA	Language changes within content are marked up.	Partly
☐	3.2.1	On Focus	A	Receiving focus doesn't trigger an unexpected change of context.	Manual only
☐	3.2.2	On Input	A	Changing a setting doesn't trigger a surprising change of context.	Manual only
☐	3.2.3	Consistent Navigation	AA	Navigation appears in the same order across pages.	Manual only
☐	3.2.4	Consistent Identification	AA	The same components are labelled consistently everywhere.	Manual only
☐	3.2.6	Consistent Help New in WCAG 2.2	A	Help options appear in the same relative place on each page.	Manual only
☐	3.3.1	Error Identification	A	Input errors are identified and described in text.	Manual only
☐	3.3.2	Labels or Instructions	A	Form fields have labels or instructions.	Partly
☐	3.3.3	Error Suggestion	AA	Suggest a correction when an input error is detected.	Manual only
☐	3.3.4	Error Prevention (Legal, Financial, Data)	AA	Let users review, correct or reverse important submissions.	Manual only
☐	3.3.7	Redundant Entry New in WCAG 2.2	A	Don't make users re-enter information already given in the same process.	Manual only
☐	3.3.8	Accessible Authentication (Minimum) New in WCAG 2.2	AA	Logins don't depend on memory tests or puzzles; allow paste.	Manual only

4. Robust

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DONE	SC	SUCCESS CRITERION	LEVEL	WHAT IT REQUIRES	SCAN CAN FLAG?
☐	4.1.2	Name, Role, Value	A	Custom UI exposes correct name, role and value to assistive technology.	Partly
☐	4.1.3	Status Messages	AA	Status updates are announced to screen readers without moving focus.	Manual only