ACCESSIBILITY FOR ONTARIANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT, 2005

INTEGRATED ACCESSIBILITY STANDARDS – Multi Year Plan – Girl Guides of Canada-Guides du Canada

Part I – GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

Section	Initiative	Description	Action	Status	Compliance Date
3	Establishment of Accessibility Policies	3.(1) Every obligated organization shall develop, implement and maintain policies governing how the organization achieves or will achieve accessibility through meeting its requirements under the accessibility standards referred to in this Regulation.	Attended workshop March 2013 In process Draft to the Gov. Committee Launch to GGC- Ontario by Jan 1, 2014 Board approval of policy	Completed	January 1, 2014
4	Accessibility Plans	 4.(1) Large organizations shall, a) establish, implement, maintain and document a multi-year accessibility plan, which outlines the organization's strategy to prevent and remove barriers and meet its requirements under this Regulation; b) post the accessibility plan on their website, if any, and provide the plan in an accessible format upon request; and c) review and update the accessibility plan at least once every five years. 	Attended workshop March 2013 Draft template in process Draft to the Board ready for Sept 2013 Forward this document to Marketing & Strategic Alliances for posting on GGC website by December 2013 Will be reviewing on an ongoing basis until all requirements have been completed	Completed	January 1, 2014

7	Training	 7.(1) Every obligated organization shall ensure that training is provided on the requirements of the accessibility standards referred to in this Regulation and on the Human Rights Code as it pertains to persons with disabilities to, (a) all employees, and volunteers; (b) all persons who participate in developing the organization's policies; and (c) all other persons who provide goods, services or facilities on behalf of the organization. 	 Will explore and determine training provider; in process of evaluating different training methods Determine how many levels of training are needed (for a, b and c) Training to be rolled out to staff/volunteers by December 1, 2014 	Completed	January 1, 2015
		organization.			

PART II – Information and Communications Standards

Section	Initiative	Description	Action	Status	Compliance Date
11	Feedback	11.(1) Every obligated organization that has processes for receiving and responding to feedback shall ensure that the processes are accessible to persons with disabilities by providing or arranging for accessible formats and communications supports, upon request.	Feedback received through 1-800 by Ontario office.	On-going	January 1, 2015
12	Accessible Formats & Communication Supports	 12.(1) Except as otherwise provided, every obligated organization shall upon request provide or arrange for the provision of accessible formats and communication supports for persons with disabilities, a) in a timely manner that takes into account the person's accessibility needs due to disability; and b) at a cost that is no more than the regular cost charged to other persons. 	To be assessed on a case by case basis, by either National Office or Ontario Council	On-going	January 1, 2016
12		12.(2) The obligated organization shall consult with the person making the request in determining the suitability of an accessible format or communication support.	To be assessed on a case by case basis.		January 1, 2016
12		12.(3) Every obligated organization shall notify the public about the availability of accessible formats and communication supports.	Post a notice at reception Post a notice on web site (this information can be provided in alternate format upon request)		January 1, 2016

13	Emergency Procedures, Plans or Public Safety Info	13.(1) In addition to its obligations under section 12, if an obligated organization prepares emergency procedures, plans or public safety information and makes the information available to the public, the obligated organization shall provide the information in an accessible format or with appropriate communication supports, as soon as practicable, upon request.	Internal Emergency Plan in place	n/a	January 1, 2012
14	Accessible Websites & Web Content	14.(2) Designated public sector organizations and large organizations shall make their internet websites and web content conform with the World Wide Web Consortium Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (WCAG)2.0, initially at Level A and increasing to Level AA, and shall do so in accordance with the schedule set out in this section.	Send Information Technology copy of guidelines	Completed	January 1, 2014 New internet websites and web content on those sites must conform with WCAG 2.0 Level A. January 1, 2021 All internet websites and web content must conform with WCAG 2.0 Level AA, other than, success criteria 1.2.4 Captions (Live) success criteria 1.2.5 Audio Descriptions (Pre- recorded).

PART III – Employment Standard

Section	Initiative	Description	Action	Status	Compliance Date
22	Recruitment – General	22. Every employer shall notify its employees and the public about the availability of accommodation for applicants with disabilities in its recruitment processes.	Under review Currently looking at sample statements/postings.	Will determine which method works best (job ad, on web site)	January 1, 2016
23	Recruitment, Assessment or Selection Process	 23.(1) During a recruitment process, an employer shall notify job applicants, when they are individually selected to participate in an assessment or selection process, that accommodations are available upon request in relation to the materials or processes to be used. (2) If a selected applicant requests an accommodation, the employer shall consult with the applicant and provide or arrange for the provision of a suitable accommodation in a manner that takes into account the applicant's accessibility needs due to disability. 	Ask when setting up appointment. Consult with applicant, as may be necessary.	On-going	January 1, 2016
24	Notice to Successful Applicants	24. Every employer shall, when making offers of employment, notify the successful applicant of its policies for accommodating employees with disabilities.	Information provided in GGC National Office - Employee Handbook.	On-going	January 1, 2016
25	Informing Employees of Supports	25.(1) Every employer shall inform its employees of its policies used to support its employees with disabilities, including, but not limited to, policies on the provision of job accommodations that take into account an	Information available in GGC National Office - Employee Handbook.	On-going	

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		employee's accessibility needs due to disability.			
25		25.(2) Employers shall provide the information required under this section to new employees as soon as practicable after they begin their employment.	As part of new hire orientation	On-going	January 1, 2016
25		25.(3)Employers shall provide updated information to its employees whenever there is a change to existing policies on the provision of job accommodations that take into account an employee's accessibility needs due to disability.	Annual review of National Office – Employee Handbook.	On-going	January 1, 2016
26	Accessible Formats & Communication Supports for Employees	 26.1 In addition to its obligations under section 12, where an employee with a disability so requests it, every employer shall consult with the employee to provide or arrange for the provision of accessible formats and communication supports for, (a) information that is needed in order to perform the employee's job; and (b) information that is generally available to employees in the workplace. 	Contained within Job Descriptions GGC National Office-Employee Handbook	On-going	January 1, 2016
26		26.2. The employer shall consult with the employee making the request in determining the suitability of an accessible format or communication support.	Case by case basis	On-going	January 1, 2016

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27	Workplace Emergency Response Information	27.(1) Every employer shall provide individualized workplace emergency response information to employees who have a disability, if the disability is such that the individualized information is necessary and the employer is aware of the need for accommodation due to the employee's disability.	Information provided via opening orientation; our National Office – Employee Handbook and via email or all staff meeting, as may be required.	Completed	January 1, 2012
27		(2) If an employee who receives individualized workplace emergency response information requires assistance and with the employee's consent, the employer shall provide the workplace emergency response information to the person designated by the employer to provide assistance to the employee.	Process in place	Completed	January 1, 2012
27		(3) Employers shall provide the information required under this section as soon as practicable after the employer becomes aware of the need for accommodation due to the employee's disability.	Process in place	Completed	January 1, 2012
27		 (4) Every employer shall review the individualized workplace emergency response information, (a) when the employee moves to a different location in the organization; (b) when the employee's overall accommodations needs or plans are reviewed; and (c) when the employer reviews its 	Process in place	On-going	January 1, 2012

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		general emergency response policies.			
28	Documented Individual Accommodation Plans	28.(1) Employers, other than employers that are small organizations, shall develop and have in place a written process for the development of documented individual accommodation plans for employees with disabilities.		Completed	January 1, 2016
28		 28 (2) The process for the development of documented individual accommodation plans shall include the following elements: The manner in which an employee requesting accommodation can participate in the development of the individual accommodation plan. The means by which the employee is assessed on an individual basis. The manner in which the employer can request an evaluation by an outside medical or other expert, at the employer's expense, to determine if and how accommodation can be achieved. The manner in which the employee can request the participation of a representative from their bargaining agent, where the employee is not represented by a bargaining agent, in the 	Research and develop forms and processes	In process	January 1, 2016

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		 development of the accommodation plan. 5. The steps taken to protect the privacy of the employee's personal. 6. The frequency with which the individual accommodation plan will be reviewed and updated and the manner in which it will be done. 7. If an individual accommodation plan is denied, the manner in which the reasons for the denial will be provided to the employee. 8. The means of providing the individual accommodation plan in a format that takes into account the employee's accessibility needs due to disability. 			
29	Return to Work Process	 29.(1) Every employer, other than an employer that is a small organization, (a) shall develop and have in place a return to work process for its employees who have been absent from work due to a disability and require disability-related accommodations in order to return to work; and (b) shall document the process. 	Assessment will be on case by case basis.	On-going	January 1, 2016
29		29. (2) The return to work process shall,		On-going	January 1, 2016

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		 (a) outline the steps the employer will take to facilitate the return to work of employees who were absent because their disability required them to be away from work; and (b) use individual documented accommodation plans, as described in section 28, as part of the process. 			
29		29. (3) The return to work process referenced in this section does not replace or override any other return to work process created by or under any other statute.			January 1, 2016
30	Performance Management	30.(1) An employer that uses performance management in respect of its employees shall take into account the accessibility needs of employees with disabilities, as well as individual accommodation plans, when using its performance management process in respect of employees with disabilities.	Case by case basis	On-going	January 1, 2016
31	Career Development & Advancement	31.(1) An employer that provides career development and advancement to its employees shall take into account the accessibility needs of its employees with disabilities as well as any individual accommodation plans, when providing career development and advancement to its employees with disabilities.	Case by case basis	On-going	January 1, 2016