Accessible Boat Rental Standards

This checklist identifies key accessibility requirements for NPS concession specialists to use when evaluating concession facilities and operations for compliance. Please note concessioners are responsible for understanding and complying with applicable laws and concession contract terms. This is not a comprehensive listing of accessibility requirements.

Further information can be found on accessible boating facilities and fishing piers at https://www.access-board.gov/guidelines-and-standards/recreation-facilities/guides. These ACC standards do not apply to passenger vessels or ferry docks.

ACCESSIBLE ROUTES

There is at least one accessible route to accessible boat slips, accessible boarding piers, and other accessible facilities.	
Routes are a minimum of 36" wide.	
At least 80" headroom (from dock to any overhang).	
Non-slip surface.	
Non-gangway walking surface slopes do not exceed 1:12 (8.33% grade).	
Handrails are provided along entire length of route.	

ACCESSIBLE PARKING

Accessible parking spaces have an adjacent access aisle with minimum 5' width for cars and 8' minimum width for vans.	
Accessible parking spaces are a minimum of 8' wide.	
Accessible parking spaces are closest to accessible routes.	
Post or wall mounted sign with international accessibility symbol is mounted high enough so it is visible when a vehicle is parked in the space.	
Parking lots have the correct number of accessible parking spaces.	

2010 ADA Accessible Parking Requirements

Total Spaces in Lot	Accessible Spaces Required	
1 - 25	1 van	
26-50	1 std + 1 van	
51-75	2 std + 1 van	
76-100	3 std + 1 van	
101-150	4 std + 1 van	
151-200	5 std + 1 van	
201-300	6 std + 1 van	
301-400	7 std + 1 van	
401-500	7 std + 2 van	
501-1000	2% of total spaces (1/8 accessible spaces must be a van space)*	

ACCESSIBLE GANGWAYS

1:12 max slope OR at least 80' gangway (small facilities may exceed 1:12 if gangway is at least 30').	1	
Transition plates and handrail extensions are present.	<u> </u>	1

Minimum 36" wide with landings every 30.'	
Edge protection is not required; if provided, maximum dimensions are 4" high and 2" deep.	
ACCESSIBLE BOAT SLIPS	
Minimum 40 linear feet.	
Minimum 60" width of clear pier space (where obstructed, at least one opening of 60" every 10').	
Hose bibbs, water supply hoses, outlets, and cable are located between 15-48."	
Cleats and other securement devices are not required to be located within reach ranges.	
Accessible boat slip signage is not required.	

ACCESSIBLE BOARDING PIERS

At boat launch ramps, the maximum slope does not apply.	
The entire length of the pier is at least 60" wide.	
A minimum of every 10' of pier edge has at least one clear opening 60" in length.	