

Accessible Passenger Vessel 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.

The United States Access Board Passenger Vessel proposed guidelines are located here: <https://www.access-board.gov/guidelines-and-standards/transportation/passenger-vessels/proposed-accessibility-guidelines>.

ACCESSIBLE ROUTES

There is an accessible route to vessel boarding area and other accessible dock facilities.	
Routes are a minimum of 60" 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.	
Edge protection is not required; if provided, maximum dimensions are 4" high and 2" wide.	

ACCESSIBLE BOARDING

<p>Accessible passenger boarding systems consist of one or more of the following components:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Walking surfaces with a running slope not steeper than 1:20 complying with V403 ◆ Doors and doorways complying with V404 ◆ Ramps complying with V405 ◆ Elevators complying with V407 or V408 ◆ Platform lifts complying with V409 ◆ Gangways complying with V410 ◆ Manually powered boarding lifts complying with V411 	
Crew is trained in providing boarding assistance to passengers, including emergency evacuations.	

ACCESSIBLE VESSELS

Vessels have the correct number of accessible tie-downs or deck fittings.		
Total Passengers	Accessible Accommodations Required	
1 - 25	1	
26-50	2	
51-75	3	
76-100	4	
101-150	5	
151-200	6	
201-300	7	
301-400	8	

Entry deck is accessible.

<p>Accessible accommodations are provided on at least one deck. Accommodations include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Passage size ◆ Accessible heads 	
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- ◆ Signage and alarms
- ◆ Sales and service counters
- ◆ Seating areas
- ◆ Assistive listening systems
- ◆ Drinking fountains

"Equivalent facilitation" on the accessible deck may substitute for services only available on other decks.

Doorways with coamings comply with V404.2.5.