

# Accessibility Statement for IET websites

This is an accessibility statement from the Institution of Engineering and Technology (The IET). This statement covers the following site(s):

Site name	Most recent automated testing score
IET SSO (Single Sign-On)	n/a
Site URL	Last reviewed date
<a href="https://ietssso.b2clogin.com/">https://ietssso.b2clogin.com/</a>	January 2025

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## Measures to support accessibility

The IET wants as many people as possible to be able to use its websites. In this site you should be able to:

- change colours, contrast levels and fonts
- zoom in up to 200% without the text spilling off the screen
- navigate most of the website using just a keyboard
- navigate most of the website using speech recognition software
- listen to most of the website using a screen reader (including the most recent versions of JAWS, NVDA and VoiceOver)

We also aim to make text as easy as possible to understand, although some of our content is necessarily of a technical nature.

The IET aims to ensure accessibility of its websites by:

- including accessibility in our internal policies
- integrating accessibility into our procurement practices
- having clear accessibility goals and accountabilities
- continuously monitoring our sites for accessibility conformance

[AbilityNet](#) provides advice on making your device easier to use if you have a disability.

## **Technical specifications**

Accessibility of IET websites relies on the following technologies to work with the web browser, and any assistive technologies or plugins, installed on your computer:

- HTML
- WAI-ARIA
- CSS
- SVG
- JavaScript

These technologies are relied upon for conformance with our stated accessibility standards.

## **Compatibility with browsers and assistive technology**

Our sites are designed to be compatible with the following technologies:

- Current and recent versions of Chrome, Edge, Firefox and Safari browsers on Windows, MacOS, Android and iOS operating systems.

## **Conformance status**

The [Web Content Accessibility Guidelines \(WCAG\)](#) defines requirements for designers and developers to improve accessibility for people with disabilities. This site is partially conformant with WCAG 2.2 level AAA. Partially conformant means that some features or content do not fully conform to the accessibility standard.

WAI-ARIA markup is used in most components.

## Assessment approach

The IET assesses the accessibility these sites using the following approaches:

- self-evaluation (manual audits, automated monitoring)
- external evaluation (engaging external agencies to review specific sites)

## Limitations and alternatives

Despite our ongoing efforts to ensure accessibility of our sites, there are some limitations. Below is a description of known issues, and potential solutions. This list is unlikely to be exhaustive; please contact us (see details above) if you observe an accessibility issue not described here.

## Issues

[Automated testing is not currently available for this site.]

*The following issues have been reported by our automated monitoring tool and need addressing.*

<b>Issues</b>	<b>Conformance</b>	<b>Success criteria</b>	<b>Abilities affected</b>
<b>Label</b>	AAA	Description	Mobility

The following issues have been identified in manual testing and need addressing:

There are significant issues with keyboard operability (lack of visible focus on some links, tab order), incorrect heading hierarchy, and some minor contrast issues. Some form labels are missing or orphaned (see member registration form and create account page).

## All pages:

- No (or hidden) h1 heading; empty heading tag (**2.4.6 Headings and Labels - Level AA**)
- Buttons and links have no visible focus indicator (**2.4.7 Focus Visible - Level AA**)
- Social media icons missing alternative text in footer (**1.1.1 Non-text Content - Level A**)
- Low contrast on links in footer (**1.4.3 Contrast (Minimum) – Level AA**)

### **Log in/Register page:**

- Tab order does not follow visual layout (use of tabindex element), and may be confusing for keyboard and screenreader users  
**(2.4.3 Focus order - Level A)**
- "Login using..." buttons are not keyboard operable  
**(2.1.1 Keyboard - Level A)**

### **Member details (member registration form)**

- Missing or orphaned form labels in date selector  
**(1.1.1 Non-text Content - Level A; 1.3.1 Info and Relationships - Level A; 2.4.6 Headings and Labels - Level AA; 3.3.2 Labels or Instructions - Level A)**

### **Create account page (non-member registration)**

- Orphaned and redundant form labels
- Missing fieldset (radio buttons for marketing consent)
- Hidden/redundant links to help content associated with form fields  
**(2.4.4 Link Purpose (In Context) – Level A)**

### **Formal approval of this accessibility statement**

This Accessibility Statement is approved by:

Stewart Love  
Head of Digital Services  
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### **Feedback and formal complaints**

We're working continuously to improve the accessibility of our sites. If you find any problems not listed on this page or think we're not meeting accessibility requirements, please let us know:

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