

Disabled Access *Audit*

A professional survey service providing key information for assessing building compliance against current access standards



The Audit

To ensure that physical barriers to access are identified, we have developed our own survey audit checklist. From this we will identify courses of action that are reasonably appropriate under the Disability Discrimination Act 1995. We gather data using hand-held electronic data gathering tools. These tools mirror a standard pro-forma style and are used to identify each survey item and score them to give an overall condition rating. Our surveyors are familiar with working in sensitive client areas and maintain a professional approach at all times.

Risk Assessment

As part of the survey, a risk assessment is also undertaken for each element. The risk assessment is a requirement for NHS trusts, but our non-NHS clients have also found the information very useful in helping to decide which non-compliant items should be dealt with first. Risk is scored against two criteria - consequence and likelihood.

Data Presentation

All collected data is input in to an analytical software package called Archibus. This automatically allows a range of standard reports to be produced. This software includes an ongoing data management tool which can project the work up to ten years in to the future. Archibus also systematically recalculates the data as remedial work and is undertaken, or priorities are changed. Whilst data is initially input in to Archibus, the data can

also be provided in formats compatible with most facilities management software including Archibus, Genesys Evolution, CAFM Explorer, etc.

Budget Cost

We also provide full budget costs for each item needing repair or replacement.

Audit Standards

- The Disability Discrimination Act 1995
- BS8300:2001 Code of Practice for the design of buildings and their approaches to meet the needs of Disabled People
- The Building Regulations Approved Document Part M 1999
- National Disability Council Code of Practice
- Easy Access to Historic Properties - English Heritage
- Disability Rights Commission - Code of Practice
- BS 5588 Part 8 1999 Fire Precautions in the design and Construction of Buildings: Means of Escape for Disabled People

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Aspects Covered Include

- External Approach
- Change in Levels
- Entrance
- Reception
- Corridors
- Ramps
- Stairs
- Lifts
- WC's
- Showers & Baths
- Signs
- Customer Care
- Means of Escape

And more...

