



SECTION 508 of the Rehabilitation Act

SCIENCE APPLICATIONS INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION

Founded in 1969, Science Applications International Corporation (SAIC), a Fortune 500 company, now ranks as a premier research and engineering firm in the nation. SAIC and its subsidiaries have more than 40,000 employees with offices in 150 locations world-wide. SAIC is a key source for leading-edge technologies that will carry our clients into the technology future. We help clients respond faster to technology needs, achieve more from their technology, and exceed their mission requirements ahead of schedule.

SAIC has supported clients in the areas of electronic information technology (EIT) development and maintenance for a number of years, and our experience ranges over a spectrum of technologies. As a leading services provider and systems integrator of EIT products (software and hardware), SAIC has the capabilities and experience to address the accessibility requirements of **Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act** via:

- *Integration of regulatory technical requirements of the Accessibility Standard (36 CFR 1194) into new EIT systems and other client-specific solutions*
- *Remediation of legacy systems to build-in accessibility and interoperability with assistive technologies*
- *Remediation of existing websites and associated data assets to meet the requirements of the Accessibility Standard*
- *Provision of assistive and adaptive technologies (products and applications)*
- *Training and other infrastructure support services*



Our client base has historically relied on SAIC to provide state-of-the-art solutions, and we will continue to do so. We have worked in the areas of EIT systems development and maintenance for a number of years, and our expertise is extensive. SAIC brings to bear the following:

- *Thorough understanding of the statutory requirements of Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act*
- *Working experience with the regulatory and technical performance requirements of the Accessibility Standard*
- *Extensive internal technical solutions set consisting of access to multiple web page accessibility compliance tools, web browsers, screen readers, and other software and hardware products designed to ensure accessibility is built into our solutions*
- *Valued teaming partners to provide additional, specialized technical expertise and technical solution tools as needed*



SAIC recognizes the need for access to the most current knowledge base to utilize in new EIT development, and in re-structuring of existing resources. SAIC also knows that various options exist for the implementation of Section 508 requirements in Federal EIT deliverable systems and services. Our added value lies in:

- *Proven technical solution sets and wide-ranging internal expertise*
- *Access to vendor-neutral COTS tools to provide most appropriate, cost-effective solutions*
- *Multiple government-wide contract vehicles for immediate access to services*

SAIC is continually seeking to improve its service provision capabilities to our clients, and this effort is reflected in the range of solution options available.

SAIC has in place an internal management plan, our *Corporate Section 508 Common Approach*, which provides statutory and regulatory guidance, options on technical approaches and methodologies, as well as technical solutions to our performing line organizations. They in turn utilize this guidance in developing solutions to meet the varying compliance strategies and accessibility needs of our clients. Our methodology consists of the tools described above, applied through a variety of management and support processes that benefit the client organization as a whole. SAIC rigorously follows the Section 508 procurement process outlined in the FAR, and incorporates the technical and functional performance requirements of the Accessibility Standard in our solutions. As a result, we provide our clients with a variety of services:

- *Integration of accessibility features into design activities; from single web pages through to complex, web-enabled information management systems and other applications*
- *Development of technical strategies to meet accessibility requirements for services and other infrastructure development requirements*
- *Technical accessibility assessments achieved by reviewing the legacy situation against the accessibility standards*
- *Evaluation of alternative accessibility technologies and methodologies to provide the most appropriate development and remediation tools to meet regulatory requirements*
- *Development of specialized training courses to assist in promulgating these strategies and methodologies throughout the agency's organization*
- *Provision of new assistive and adaptive tools and technologies as they become commercially available*
- *Quality assurance and control through periodic monitoring and provision of testing documentation*

Throughout its 35-year history, SAIC has led the field in the development of new technologies and soft-ware tools designed to support and enhance access to EIT. This leadership extends to the development of solutions for those users with sensory, motor, and neurological disabilities that impair their ability to access information and data. SAIC invites your inquiries regarding our services.

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