

## Accessibility Checklist

A reference to creating accessible course content.

At Meridian, we believe learning should be easily accessible to all. The Meridian Learning Management System is designed and developed in accordance with the internationally recognized Web Content Accessibility (WCAG) Guidelines 2.0 Level AA as well as the Section 508 standards. Our certified staff conducts regular audits of our software to ensure quality expectations are met and maintained. Clients can access our VPAT documentation for more information.

Accessible content can help accommodate some impairments as well as lower the barrier from participation restrictions. The World Wide Web Consortium (W3C) offers guidelines to help promote accessibility strategies and resources in their Web Accessibility Initiative (WAI) page. To help you get started, Meridian's product team has provided suggestions for 12 best practices in creating accessible content.



Provide text alternatives for non-text content.



Use templates and styles, including lists, tables, heading styles, etc.



Use 12pt+ font.



Use correct color contrast between text and background; refrain from using color to convey information.



Only use tables for tabular data.



Use meaningful headings and consistent heading structure.



Given text description for links.



Tag PDFs.



Use meaningful sequence so that pages can be navigated using the keyboard.



Provide a way to pause, stop, and hide blinking, moving, or scrolling information.



Use text descriptions for errors.



Do not use sensory information (shape, size, visual location on the page, etc.) for instructions.