



OCLC Accessibility Conformance Report

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Product Name: **WorldCat Discovery**

Product Description: WorldCat Discovery helps people navigate their research journeys to find and get resources from your library and libraries worldwide. The service balances technical advances and ongoing research with extensive user input and testing to keep pace with your library's changing needs.

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Applicable Standards/Guidelines

[Web Content Accessibility Guidelines 2.2](#)

- Level A (Yes)
- Level AA (Yes)
- Level AAA (No)

Terms

The terms used in the conformance level information are defined as follows:

- **Supports:** The functionality of the product has at least one method that meets the criterion without known defects or meets with equivalent facilitation.
- **Partially Supports:** Some functionality of the product does not meet the criterion.
- **Does Not Support:** The majority of product functionality does not meet the criterion.
- **Not Applicable:** The criterion is not relevant to the product.
- **Not Evaluated:** The product has not been evaluated against the criterion. This can be used only in WCAG Level AAA.

Evaluation Methods

Features in active development may be tested using a range of tools, including but not limited to keyboard-only navigation, browser zoom, automated axe-core tests integrated into OCLC development processes, a variety of browser plug-ins and bookmarklets, and manual review with screen readers prior to production release. Mobile apps are tested on iOS devices using VoiceOver and on Android devices with TalkBack.

Notes

All tables in this document present a combined report for WCAG 2.2 success criteria Levels A and AA. Items relating to WCAG 2.2 success criteria Level AAA were removed. When reporting on conformance with the WCAG 2.2 Success Criteria, they are scoped for full pages, complete processes, and accessibility-supported ways of using technology as documented in the WCAG conformance requirements.

Scope of Evaluation

The following list identifies key pages or views supporting core user workflows.

- Log In
- Set/Reset Password
- Homepage/Basic Search
- Search Results
- Item Details
- Place Hold Form
- Advanced Search
- Feedback Form

Holistic Conformance

Product	Supports	Partially Supports	Does Not Support	Does Not Apply
WorldCat Discovery	32	11	1	11

WCAG 2.2 A and AA Report

Criteria	Level	Conformance	Remarks and Explanations
1.1.1 Non-text Content	A	Partially Supports	WorldCat Discovery's Search Result page uses a <svg> tag to act as an image with a text alternative, but is missing an explicit role="img"
1.2.1 Audio-only and Video-only (Prerecorded)	A	Not Applicable	WorldCat Discovery does not use pre-recorded audio or video. There are training and support videos on OCLC

			Community Center. Compliance for the Community Center is available via a separate report.
1.2.2 Captions (Prerecorded)	A	Not Applicable	WorldCat Discovery does not use pre-recorded audio.
1.2.3 Audio Description or Media Alternative (Prerecorded)	A	Not Applicable	WorldCat Discovery does not use pre-recorded audio or media.
1.2.4 Captions (Live)	AA	Not Applicable	WorldCat Discovery does not use live audio or media.
1.2.5 Audio Description (Prerecorded)	AA	Not Applicable	WorldCat Discovery does not use video content.
1.3.1 Info and Relationships	A	Partially Supports	WorldCat Discovery accessibility testing revealed some issues with programmatic determination of information, structure, and relationships conveyed through presentation.
1.3.2 Meaningful Sequence	A	Partially Supports	WorldCat Discovery accessibility testing revealed issues with programmatic determination of meaningful reading sequences.
1.3.3 Sensory Characteristics	A	Supports	WorldCat Discovery accessibility testing revealed full support for accessing instructions being reliant on sensory characteristics.
1.3.4 Orientation	AA 2.1 only	Supports	WorldCat Discovery accessibility testing revealed no issues with orientation capabilities.
1.3.5 Identify Input Purpose	AA 2.1 only	Partially Supports	WorldCat Discovery accessibility testing revealed issue with the Set/Rest Password page offering complete autofill capabilities.
1.4.1 Use of Color	A	Supports	WorldCat Discovery accessibility testing revealed full support for color not being used as a means of conveying information.
1.4.2 Audio Control	A	Not Applicable	WorldCat Discovery does not use audio.
1.4.3 Contrast (Minimum)	AA	Partially Supports	WorldCat Discovery accessibility testing revealed some issues with text contrast.

1.4.4 Resize Text	AA	Supports	WorldCat Discovery accessibility testing confirmed full support for enlarging the font size.
1.4.5 Images of Text	AA	Supports	WorldCat Discovery accessibility testing revealed full support for not conveying text as an image except where it was customizable or essential.
1.4.10 Reflow	AA 2.1 only	Supports	WorldCat Discovery accessibility testing revealed full support for text reflow without loss of information or functionality.
1.4.11 Non-text Contrast	AA 2.1 only	Partial Supports	WorldCat Discovery accessibility testing revealed some issues with non-text contrast.
1.4.12 Text Spacing	AA 2.1 only	Supports	WorldCat Discovery testing confirmed full access for text-spacing modifications.
1.4.13 Content on Hover or Focus	AA 2.1 only	Supports	WorldCat Discovery accessibility testing revealed full support for dismissing hover content, making it persistent and not interfering with other text.
2.1.1 Keyboard	A	Supports	WorldCat Discovery accessibility re-testing confirmed support for keyboard operability.
2.1.2 No Keyboard Trap	A	Supports	WorldCat Discovery accessibility re-testing confirmed that there are no keyboard traps.
2.1.4 Character Key Shortcuts	AA 2.1 only	Not applicable	WorldCat Discovery accessibility testing confirmed no character-key shortcuts to be applicable within the platform.
2.2.1 Timing Adjustable	A	Supports	WorldCat Discovery accessibility testing confirmed there to be time-adjustable warnings before dismissal or change in login.
2.2.2 Pause, Stop, Hide	A	Not Applicable	There is no text where information contains moving, blinking, scrolling, or automatically updated text.

2.3.1 Three Flashes or Below Threshold	A	Not Applicable	WorldCat Discovery does not contain flashing content.
2.4.1 Bypass Blocks	A	Supports	WorldCat Discovery accessibility testing confirmed support for bypass blocks add landmarks.
2.4.2 Page Titled	A	Partial Support	WorldCat Discovery accessibility testing revealed issues regarding pages having meaningful, unique page titles. Occasional issues where page titles are repeated or are not specific enough.
2.4.3 Focus Order	A	Partial Support	WorldCat Discovery accessibility testing revealed issues regarding focus order sequence on the search results page.
2.4.4 Link Purpose (In Context)	A	Partially Supports	WorldCat Discovery accessibility testing revealed partial support for a link's purpose being determined from the link text. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> On pages where links are repeated multiple times, it becomes necessary to provide some additional level information to allows users to easily distinguish one link from another.
2.4.5 Multiple Ways	AA	Supports	WorldCat Discovery testing confirmed multiple ways were available to access specific pages.
2.4.6 Headings and Labels	AA	Supports	Headings and labels are appropriate easy identification and use.
2.4.7 Focus Visible	AA	Supports	WorldCat Discovery accessibility testing revealed full support for visible focus indicators.
2.4.11 Focus Not Obscured	AA (2.2 only)	Supports	WorldCat Discovery accessibility testing revealed there to be no obstruction for elements on focus.
2.5.1 Pointer Gestures	AA 2.1 only	Supports	WorldCat Discovery fully supports pointer gestures on mobile devices
2.5.2 Pointer Cancellation	AA 2.1	Supports	WorldCat Discovery fully supports pointer cancellation on mobile devices
2.5.3 Label in Name	AA 2.1 only	Partially Supports	WorldCat Discovery accessibility testing revealed issues regarding accessible names matching or beginning the visual name on screen.

2.5.4 Motion Actuation	AA 2.1 only	Not applicable	WorldCat Discovery does not use motion.
2.5.7 Dragging Movements	AA 2.2 only	Not Applicable	WorldCat Discovery does not use dragging movements.
2.5.8 Target Size	AA 2.2 only	Partially Supports	WorldCat Discovery accessibility testing revealed issues regarding page components matching exact sizing requirements or overlap.
3.1.1 Language of Page	A	Supports	The user can change the language interface
3.1.2 Language of Parts	AA	Supports	WorldCat Discovery is appropriately marked up for additional languages.
3.2.1 On Focus	A	Supports	WorldCat Discovery accessibility testing revealed full support for components receiving focus to initiate a change of context.
3.2.2 On Input	A	Partially Supports	WorldCat Discovery accessibility testing revealed partial support for causing a change of context if a component's setting is changed. Most pages pass; on the search pages that may be refined by library locations, the page automatically submits when a checkbox is selected.
3.2.3 Consistent Navigation	AA	Supports	WorldCat Discovery maintains consistent navigation throughout the platform.
3.2.4 Consistent Identification	AA	Supports	WorldCat Discovery maintains consistent identification throughout the platform.
3.2.6 Consistent Help	A (2.2 only)	Supports	WorldCat Discovery maintains consistent help throughout the platform.
3.3.1 Error Identification	A	Does Not Support	WorldCat Discovery accessibility testing revealed issues regarding the 404 Error page providing enough information for identification and recovery.

3.3.2 Labels or Instructions	A	Supports	WorldCat Discovery accessibility testing revealed full support for labels or instructions being provided for user input.
3.3.3 Error Suggestion	AA	Supports	WorldCat Discovery accessibility testing confirmed support for suggestions for correcting detected user errors. .
3.3.4 Error Prevention (Legal, Financial, Data)	AA	Not applicable	WorldCat Discovery does not deal in legal commitments or financial transactions.
3.3.7 Redundant Entry	A (2.2 only)	Supports	WorldCat Discovery provides support against need for redundant entry.
3.3.7 Accessible Authentication	A (2.2 only)	Supports	WorldCat Discovery provides support for accessible authentication, including the ability to see one's password as it is being typed and past a password in.
4.1.1 Parsing	A	Supports	This success criterion is now deprecated. Any relevant issues are now captured under other success criteria.
4.1.2 Name, Role, Value	A	Partial Support	WorldCat Discovery accessibility testing revealed some issues with the programmatic specification of names and roles for user interface components or the states, properties and values of those that can be set by the user. - Some issues previously noted in WCAG 1.3.1
4.1.3 Status Messages	AA 2.1 only	Supports	WorldCat Discovery testing revealed full support for status message announcements.