



CITY OF YORBA LINDA

4845 CASA LOMA AVENUE YORBA LINDA, CALIFORNIA 92886

BUILDING DIVISION (714) 961-7120

2021 Request for Construction Hardship For Projects Exceeding \$186,172.000

The provisions of Section 11B-202.4 Exception 8 apply to existing buildings or facilities used as public buildings, public accommodations, commercial buildings or public housing. When these buildings or facilities undergo alterations, structural repairs, or additions, an accessible path of travel must be provided to the specific area of construction.

When the adjusted construction cost¹ of **alterations, structural repairs, or additions to existing buildings and facilities** within three years of the original alteration exceeds a valuation threshold of **\$186,172.000** the cost of compliance with Section 11B-202.4 of the 2019 California Building Code shall be a minimum of 20% of the adjusted construction cost of alterations, structural repairs or additions.

In choosing which accessible elements to provide, priority should be given to those elements that will provide the greatest access in the following order:

1. An accessible entrance;
2. An accessible route to the area of alteration, structural repair, or addition (see definition of accessible route Section 202 & 11B-206.2.1 for more information on accessible routes and site arrival points);
3. At least one accessible restroom for each sex serving the area of alteration, structural repair or addition;
4. Accessible telephones, if provided, serving the area of alteration, structural repair, or addition;
5. Accessible drinking fountains, if provided, serving the area of alteration, structural repair, or addition; and
6. When possible, additional accessible elements such as additional parking, storage, signs and alarms.

Please complete the attached worksheet, and prepare a site and floor plan of the existing and proposed accessibility improvements along the accessible route to the area of alteration that shall be submitted to the Building Division in duplicate, prior to completing your plan review. One copy of the approval or denial of the unreasonable hardship request will be returned to the applicant.

Please note, this request for hardship is subject to the approval of the Building Official.

Additionally, barrier removal is an instant and ongoing obligation for ADA compliance and this application does not exempt the applicant of any obligations to remove barriers in a reasonable time frame. By signing this report, you understand this 20% is for this addition/alteration alone, and for State of California compliance only.

¹ Adjusted cost of construction does not include the cost of alterations to path of travel elements required to be upgraded outside the area of alteration, structural repair, or addition.



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Example Form for Projects Exceeding \$186,172.000 Threshold

Project Address: 123 Hope Street		Application No. YL-0000000	
Project Description/Location: Office tenant improvement (2,040 SF) at 5th floor Suite No. 502		Permit Valuation: \$180,000.00	
Type: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Alteration <input type="checkbox"/> Structural Repair <input type="checkbox"/> Addition		*Adjusted Cost of Proposed Construction: \$144,000.00	
PATH OF TRAVEL REQUIREMENTS FOR AREA OF ALTERATION, STRUCTURAL REPAIR, OR ADDITION			
Accessible Features	Does existing feature meet accessibility standards of Chapter 11B of the current CBC?	Will this feature be replaced or altered to meet Chapter 11B of the current CBC?	If so, how much will be spent to make this feature accessible?
1 Accessible entrance	NO	YES	\$ 2,400.00
2 Accessible route to the altered area	NO	PARTIAL	\$26,000.00
3 Accessible restroom for each sex serving the area	NO	YES	\$ 8,000.00
4 Accessible telephones	N/A	N/A	
5 Accessible drinking fountains	N/A		
6 Other (Any of the below)			
A. Accessible parking spaces	NO	YES	\$ 1,100.00
B. Signs	NO		
C. Alarms	N/A		
D. Other:			
Cost of All Features Provided (A)	Summary of costs of Accessible Features Nos. 1-6 provided above.		\$37,500.00
Total Cost on Same Path of Travel (B)	Cost of Proposed Construction and Cost of Preceding Alterations.		\$144,000.00
Percentage Upgrades Provided (A / B)	Cost of all Features Provided / Total Cost on Same Path of Travel.		26%
Description of Access Features Provided:			
New entrance landing, new accessible fixtures for the restrooms, properly mark and identify the accessible parking area, and 27 cubic yards of concrete (289 feet of sidewalk)			
Hardship Request: 345 lineal feet of exterior sidewalk that exceeds 2.08% cross slope which is 3.4% - 3.8%. Without this request approval the project will not be able to happen due to lack of finances. Please see attached implementation plan and my justification for approval.			
Applicant Certification			
I certify that the above information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.			
Signature:	John Smith	Date: 09/12/2014	Company: Johns' Smithing & Wesson
Name: (print)	John Smith	Address:	123 Broadway
Title:	Architect of Record	City, State Zip:	Oroville, CA, 95965
Agent for:	Owner <input type="checkbox"/> Architect <input type="checkbox"/> Engineer <input type="checkbox"/> Contractor	Phone No.:	530-000-0000
For Building Official Use Only			
Approved by:	Title:	Date:	/ /

*If an area has been altered without providing an accessible path of travel to that area, and subsequent alterations of that area or a different area on the same path of travel are undertaken within three years of the original alteration, the total cost of alterations to the areas on that path of travel during the preceding three-year period shall be considered in determining whether the cost of making that path of travel accessible is disproportionate.



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Accessible Features	Does existing feature meet accessibility standards of Chapter 11B of the current CBC?	Will this feature be replaced or altered to meet Chapter 11B of the current CBC?	If so, how much will be spent to make this feature accessible?
1. Accessible entrance			
2. Accessible route to the altered area			
3. Accessible restroom for each sex or a unisex restroom			
4. Accessible telephones			
5. Accessible drinking fountains			
6. Other (Any of the below)			
E. Accessible parking spaces			
F. Signs			
G. Alarms			
H. Other:			
Cost of All Features Provided (A)	Summary of costs of Accessible Features Nos. 1-6 provided above.		
Adjusted Cost of Proposed Construction (B)	Construction cost for all proposed work on this permit application except Accessible Features Nos. 1-6 provided above.		
Percentage Upgrades Provided (A / B)	Cost of all Features Provided / Total Cost on Same Path of Travel.		
Description of Access Features Provided:			
Applicant Certification			
I certify that the above information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.			
Signature:		Date:	Company:
Name: (print)			Address:
Title:			City, State Zip:
Agent for:	<input type="checkbox"/> Owner <input type="checkbox"/> Architect <input type="checkbox"/> Engineer <input type="checkbox"/> Contractor		Phone No.:
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DISABILITY ACCESS REQUIREMENTS AND RESOURCES

NOTICE TO APPLICANTS FOR BUSINESS LICENSES AND COMMERCIAL BUILDING PERMITS:

Under federal and state law, compliance with disability access laws is a serious and significant responsibility that applies to all California building owners and tenants with buildings open to the public. You may obtain information about your legal obligations and how to comply with disability access laws at the following agencies:

DEPARTMENT OF
GENERAL SERVICES,
Division of the State
Architect, CASp Program
www.dqs.ca.gov/dsa
www.dqs.ca.gov/casp

DEPARTMENT OF
REHABILITATION
Disability Access Services
www.dor.ca.gov
[www.rehab.cahwnet.gov/
disabilityaccessinfo](http://www.rehab.cahwnet.gov/disabilityaccessinfo)

DEPARTMENT OF
GENERAL SERVICES,
California Commission on
Disability Access
www.cdda.ca.gov
[www.cdda.ca.gov/resourc
es-menu/](http://www.cdda.ca.gov/resources-menu/)

CERTIFIED ACCESS SPECIALIST INSPECTION SERVICES

Compliance with state and federal construction-related accessibility standards ensures that public places are accessible and available to individuals with disabilities. Whether your business is moving into a newly constructed facility or you are planning an alteration to your current facility, by engaging the services of a Certified Access Specialist (CASp) early in this process you will benefit from the advantages of compliance and under the Construction-Related Accessibility Standards Compliance Act (CRASCA, Civil Code 55.5155.545), also benefit from legal protections.

Although your new facility may have already been permitted and approved by the building department, it is important to obtain CASp inspection services after your move-in because unintended access barriers and violations can be created. For example, placing your furniture and equipment in areas required to be maintained clear of obstructions. For planned alterations, a CASp can provide plan review of your improvement plans and an access compliance evaluation of the public accommodation areas of your facility that may not be part of the alteration.

A CASp is a professional who has been certified by the State of California to have specialized knowledge regarding the applicability of accessibility standards. CASp inspection reports prepared according to CRASCA entitle business and facility owners to specific legal benefits, in the event that a construction-related accessibility claim is filed against them.

To find a CASp, visit www.apps2.dqs.ca.gov/DSA/casp/casp_certified_list.aspx.



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DISABILITY ACCESS REQUIREMENTS AND RESOURCES - CONTINUED

GOVERNMENT TAX CREDITS, TAX DEDUCTIONS AND FINANCING

State and federal programs to assist businesses with access compliance and access expenditures are available:

Disabled Access Credit for Eligible Small Businesses

FEDERAL TAX CREDIT—Internal Revenue Code Section 44 provides a federal tax credit for small businesses that incur expenditures for the purpose of providing access to persons with disabilities. For more information, refer to Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Form 8826: Disabled Access Credit at www.irs.gov.

STATE TAX CREDIT—Revenue and Taxation Code Sections 17053.42 and 23642 provide a state tax credit similar to the federal Disabled Access Credit, with exceptions. For more information, refer to Franchise Tax Board (FTB) Form 3548: Disabled Access Credit for Eligible Small Businesses at www.ftb.ca.gov.

Architectural and Transportation Barrier Removal Deduction

FEDERAL TAX DEDUCTION—Internal Revenue Code Section 190 allows businesses of all sizes to claim an annual deduction for qualified expenses incurred to remove physical, structural and transportation barriers for persons with disabilities. For more information, refer to IRS Publication 535: Business Expenses at www.irs.gov.

California Capital Access Financing Program

STATE FINANCE OPTION—The California Capital Access Program (CalCAP) Americans with Disabilities Act (CalCAP/ADA) financing program assists small businesses with financing the costs to alter or retrofit existing small business facilities to comply with the requirements of the federal ADA. Learn more at www.treasurer.ca.gov/cpcfca/calcap/.

FEDERAL AND STATE LEGAL REQUIREMENTS ON ACCESSIBILITY FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES

AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT OF 1990 (ADA) — The ADA is a federal civil rights law that prohibits discrimination against individuals with disabilities, and requires all public accommodations and commercial facilities to be accessible to individuals with disabilities. Learn more at www.ada.gov.

CALIFORNIA BUILDING CODE (CBC) — The CBC contains the construction-related accessibility provisions that are the standards for compliant construction. A facility's compliance is based on the version of the CBC in place at the time of construction or alteration. Learn more at www.bsc.ca.gov.