


PDF Checklist

The following is not an all-encompassing checklist but can be used for most basic documents to check accessibility. This does not apply to PDF forms.

1. PDF is Tagged
 - a. Document is the first tag in the Tag tree and all other tags are in the Document tag
 - b. Tags are appropriate for the content.
 - c. Empty tags are removed
2. Structure (Headings and order)
 - a. Check reading order
 - b. Has one heading 1 (usually the title)
 - c. Subsequent headings are tagged correctly and follow visual outline
3. Images
 - a. Alt Text correctly describes image(s) in context of use
 - b. Decorative image(s) are made artifact(s)
4. No empty spaces 
5. Tables
 - a. Have heading row/column tags
 - b. Each row has the same number of cells (TD)
 - c. Paths are removed
6. Links
 - a. Have unique names
 - b. Are descriptive and understandable outside of context
7. Contrast between text and background is adequate
8. Color
 - a. If color is used for meaning, a symbol or other sensory characteristic is also used in the text to indicate meaning.
9. Document Title in the Document Properties
 - a. Descriptive
 - b. Set to show in initial view
10. Passes PDF Checker