

# Towards common European criteria on accessibility of the built environment: Outcomes of Mandate M/420

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# How to assess conformity against EN 17210: FprCEN/TR 17622

Accessibility and usability of ...  
Conformity assessment

Zugänglichkeit und Nutzbarkeit gebauter Umgebung  
Konformitätsbewertung

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# Methodology

## 1. Key issues

- Who assesses?
- What to assess?
- When to assess?
- How to assess?

## 2. Working process

- Selection
- Determination
- Attestation



# Who assesses?

*Different players for different goals*

## 1. Different types of conformity assessment

- First-party assessment (self-assessment of property or internal audits)
- Second-party assessment (user-assessment or stakeholder audits)
- Third-party assessment (inspection or certification assessment)

## 2. Different players in assessment

*Client*

*Auditor*

*Accessibility advisor*

*Validator*



# What to assess?

*Clauses and functional requirements to be assessed*

- 1. Scope** (identify the limits)
- 2. Functional requirements to consider** (what sections applies?)
- 3. Reference documents**
  - National Standards or Regulations
  - Or alternatively FprCEN/TR 17621



# When to assess?

*Specifics of conformity assessment in different phases*

## 1. Different phases

- Inception / Feasibility phase
- Planning / Design phase
- Construction phase
- Completion / Post occupancy phase

## 2. Review of conformity assessment



# How to assess?

## *Different tools for conformity assessment*

### 1. Selection of techniques

- Relating to Selection and Determination:  
(*Sampling, Testing, Inspection, Validation...*)
- Relating to Attestation and Surveillance:  
(*Review, Accreditation, Suspension...*)

### 2. Use of tools

### 3. Other factors ...



# Annex A

## Conformity Assessment Templates

Who?		References		Validation				Conclusion				
When?	I -	EN Ref.	Summa									
	II											
	III											
	IV											

# Different applications and scenarios. Example

*Accessibility conformity assessment in different phases*

		Validation					
What?		How?	Evidence	Assessment			
EN Ref.	Summary of the requirement	Assessment tools	Notes, parameters etc.	valid	not valid	not applicable	Pending verification
7.1.3 b)	<i>With appropriate signage (acc. routes and resting areas)</i>	<i>Documentary validation</i>	<i>There is not a pedestrian signage plan</i>				<b>x</b>

*In the design phase*



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7.1.3 b)	With appropriate signage (acc. routes and resting areas)	Visual inspection	Installed signage (corrected after assessment of project)	✓			

*Under construction*

# Conclusions

1. It is a **methodology**. It is not a recipe book or a closed checklist
2. Conformity with **EN's 17210 functional requirements** is assessed
3. The **supporting references** can be national legislation or FprCEN/TR 17621 (technical criteria and specifications)
4. **Tailor to suit** each assessment case (scope, phase ...)



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