WEBSITE ACCESSIBILITY POLICY STATEMENT



Accessibility Statement for Tameside College

This accessibility statement applies to www.tameside.ac.uk, www.tameside.ac.u

This website is run by Tameside College. We want as many people as possible to be able to use this website. For example, that means you should be able to:

- change colours, contrast levels and fonts using browser or device settings
- zoom in up to 400% without the text spilling off the screen
- navigate most of the website using a keyboard

We've also made the website text as simple as possible to understand.

AbilityNet has advice on making your device easier to use if you have a disability.

How accessible this website is

We know some parts of this website are not fully accessible:

- Consistent navigation and layout across the website. The website may not always scale to a mobile format. This is due to the current infrastructure and is currently being worked on.
- Some of the colours used on the website do not support high contrast mode. This is a marketing
 decision that needs to be considered to make changes to the current colour palette and is
 currently being worked on.

Feedback and contact information

We welcome your feedback on the accessibility of Tameside College's website. If you find any problems not listed on this page or think we're not meeting accessibility requirements, contact:

marketing@tameside.ac.uk

If you need information on this website in a different format like accessible PDF, large print, easy read, audio recording or braille:

Phone: 0161 908 6600

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- E-mail: webmaster@tameside.ac.uk
- Postal address: Tameside College, Beaufort Road, Ashton-Under-Lyne, OL6 6NX

We aim to respond to feedback within 7 working days.

If you cannot view the map on our 'contact us' page, call or email us marketing@tameside.ac.uk for directions.

Enforcement procedure

The Equality and Human Rights Commission (EHRC) is responsible for enforcing the Public Sector Bodies (Websites and Mobile Applications) (No. 2) Accessibility Regulations 2018 (the 'accessibility regulations'). If you're not happy with how we respond to your complaint, <u>contact the Equality Advisory</u> and Support Service (EASS).

Technical information about this website's accessibility

Tameside College is committed to making its website accessible, in accordance with the Public Sector Bodies (Websites and Mobile Applications) (No. 2) Accessibility Regulations 2018.

Compliance Status

The website has been tested against the Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (WCAG) 2.2 AA standard. This website is partially compliant with the Web Content Accessibility Guidelines version 2.2 AA standard, due to the non-compliances and exemptions listed below.

Non-accessible content

The content listed below is non-accessible for the following reasons.

Non-compliance with the accessibility regulations

Contrast

Some text is of a low contrast. This fails WCAG 2.2 success criterion 1.1.1 (non-text content). We plan to change all colours with low contrast by September 2024. When we publish new content, we'll make sure our use of colours meets accessibility standards.

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Disproportionate burden

Website images and media is not fully compatible with all screen sizes. Changing the window size may resolve any images or media not displaying correctly.

While we aspire to achieve full compatibility of website images and media with all screen sizes, our current resources pose constraints. Adjusting layouts, optimizing images, and thorough testing across various devices demand significant time and resource. However, we remain committed to improving this aspect as resources allow. In the meantime, all text displays appropriately on all screen sizes.

Content that's not within the scope of the accessibility regulations

PDFs and other documents

The accessibility regulations do not require us to fix PDFs or other documents published before 23

September 2018 if they're not essential to providing our services. For example, we do not plan to fix the HE strategic plan of 2013-14, this is currently being updated and will meet standards on update.

Any new PDFs or Word documents we publish will meet accessibility standards.

Live video

We do not plan to add captions to live video streams because live video is exempt from meeting the accessibility regulations.

What we're doing to improve accessibility

Our accessibility roadmap shows how and when we plan to improve accessibility on this website.

We are currently implementing a new backend for all websites across the Tameside College network.

This will introduce new accessibility features to the website such as colour control and easier integration with external accessibility applications.

Preparation of this accessibility statement

This statement was prepared 18/09/2023 It was last reviewed on 14/03/2024.

This website was last tested on 14/03/2024 against the WCAG 2.2 AA standard.





The test was carried out by Tameside College. The most viewed pages were tested using automated testing tools by our website team. A further audit of the website was carried out to the WCAG 2.2 AA standard.

Review/Change History:

Version	Description/Detail of Update & Name of Person who has carried out Update	Approval	Date of Issue
2	Reviewed and updated by AT	OU and LD	June 2024