

TDLR Construction Accessibility Requirements

Construction Division

Overview

TxDOT projects must be constructed so that they are in compliance with various accessibility requirements. These requirements are contained in:

1. Texas Accessibility Standards (TAS)
2. 16 TAC, Part 4, Chapter 68, Elimination of Architectural Barriers (AB)
3. Texas Government Code, Title 4, Subtitle E., Chapter 469, Elimination of Architectural Barriers (TABA)

For TxDOT let projects with \$50,000 worth of pedestrian elements, the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation (TDLR) has reviewed our building, roadway, and bridge plans and has performed the final inspections of the projects to verify they comply with the accessibility requirements. There has been and will be changes to this process.

- Starting with the May 2013 letting, TDLR stopped performing the review of building plans and also stopped performing the final inspection of building, roadway, and bridge projects.
- Starting February 1, 2014, TDLR will no longer perform the review of roadway and bridge plans.

CST has contracted with a Registered Accessibility Specialist (RAS) to perform the plan reviews and the final inspections. The RAS is:

Traffic Operations Support Group, LLC
526 Williamsburg Pl.
San Antonio, Texas 78201
Phone: 210-872-5054
Email: TxDOT@Trafficosg.com

NOTE: All fees will be paid for by CST.

The new process for ensuring compliance with TDLR requirements is as follows.

Plan Reviews

1. Email to the [RAS](#) and CST_ADA_INSP@txdot.gov:
 - The project plans (electronic files),
 - The completed “[Request for Architectural Barriers Plan Review and Registration](#)” Form (TxDOT Form 2522), and
 - The “[Architectural Barriers Project Registration Form](#)” (TDLR FORM AB05). (The main link to this form is found on the TDLR “[Architectural Barriers Forms](#)” website, labeled as Form 005AB, “Project Registration.”) This is non-fillable Adobe Acrobat form, so you will have to print the form, complete it by hand, and email a scanned copy. However, an example of a completed TDLR FORM AB05 can be viewed and modified for your specific project by clicking this link: [TDLR Form AB05 Example](#). If you do not have access to Adobe Acrobat Standard/Pro, you will not be able to save the completed form. So print it and email a scanned copy.

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This submittal should be made at least two months (preferably three months) before advertising the project in case the plan review results in large revisions.

If the electronic version of the project plans is too large to send via email, utilize the [Dropbox](#) program or mail the plans and forms to the RAS and email just the forms to CST_ADA_INSP@txdot.gov. In the email to CST_ADA_INSP@txdot.gov, indicate whether the plans and forms were sent via the Dropbox program or by mail to the RAS.

2. The RAS will register the plans with TDLR and notify us of the TDLR Project Number (EABPRJ Number). Add the EABPRJ # and the estimated cost of construction to the P1C screen in DCIS.
3. The RAS will perform the plan review.
4. After the plan review, the RAS will send the district (or MNT/RMD, as applicable) a report on the review. The report may point out areas in the plans that will need to be revised. If revisions are necessary, make the revisions and resubmit the plans to the RAS.

Construction, Maintenance, or Building Project Inspection

1. Email to the [RAS](#) and CST_ADA_INSP@txdot.gov:
 - The completed “[Request for Architectural Barriers Inspection](#)” Form (TxDOT Form 2523), and
 - The “[Request For Inspection](#)” form (TDLR FORM AB041), only if TxDOT is not the owner of the project.

This should be done once the pedestrian elements are completed. In no case should the inspection request be made over a year after construction is completed.

2. For projects that were not reviewed and submitted to TDLR by the RAS, the RAS will retrieve the plans from TDLR. Be aware that TDLR may take approximately three weeks to provide the plans to the RAS.
3. Once the RAS has the plans, they will contact the district (or MNT/RMD, as applicable) to schedule the project inspection with a TxDOT representative.
4. The RAS, along with a TxDOT representative, will inspect the project for compliance.
5. If the inspection finds the project:
 - a. is in compliance, the RAS will provide TDLR with the final project files, or
 - b. contains areas of non-compliance, TxDOT will have 90 days to make the required modifications and inform the RAS that the modifications have been made. Note if the required modifications have not been made within 270 days of the inspection, the RAS is required by law to inform TDLR of the violation.

For questions, please contact Construction Division @ CST_ADA_INSP@txdot.gov.