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WCAG 2.1 Level AA Success Criteria

COMPLIANCE AUDIT

For hardwiredmedia.com | Verdict: **Compliant!**

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This audit evaluates the adherence level of **hardwiredmedia.com** as of Sun Apr 16 2023, to the "Web Content Accessibility Guidelines" (WCAG) 2.1 level AA success criteria.

Below you'll find the results for dozens of tests that focus mainly on 3 categories: **screen-reader** adjustments(for blind users), **keyboard navigation** adjustments (for the motor impaired) and **UI, design, and readability** adjustments (for the vision impaired).

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#	Requirement	Relevant	Successes	Failures	Score
1	Elements that behave as buttons but are built using other tags such as span, div, a or others, should include a "role" attribute that equals to "button".	Yes	2	0	100%

Code snapshots of some successful elements

```
<button class="navbar-toggler hamburger hamburger--spring" type="button"
data-toggle="collapse" data-target="#navbarTogglerDemo03" aria-controls
="navbarTogglerDemo03" aria-expanded="false" aria-label="Toggle navigatio
n" > <span cl...
```

```
<input class="wpcf7-form-control has-spinner wpcf7-submit btn btn-seconda
ry" type="submit" value="Submit" >
```

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2	Buttons should include text explaining their functionality, and if icons are used as buttons, a screen-reader only text or an "aria-label" attribute should be used for that description.	Yes	2	0	100%

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3	Links should include text that is setting expectations to what page they are leading to. If empty links are used as layout wrapping elements, a screen-reader only text or an "aria-label" attribute should be used for that description.	Yes	2	0	100%

Code snapshots of some successful elements

```
<a class="btn btn-secondary w-100" href="/contact-us/" >Contact Us</a>
```

```
<a title="facebook link" href="https://www.facebook.com/hardwiredmedia"
<h1> <i class="fa-brands fa-facebook"></i> <span class="sr-only">Facebook
</span> </h1> </a>
```

4	Links that open in a new tab or a new window should either have an "aria-label" attribute or a screen-reader only element explaining to screen-readers that this opens in a new tab.	No	0	0	-
5	An H1 title provides information to blind-users using screen-readers of what the main topic of the page is and each page should have exactly one H1 title.	Yes	Pass	-	100%

Code snapshots of some successful elements

```
<h1> <i class="fa-brands fa-facebook"></i> <span class="sr-only">Facebook
</span> </h1>
```

6	HTML title elements (H1-6) should have texts. If images or links are used, they should include an alternative or screen-reader only text.	Yes	2	0	100%
7	Elements that visually appear as titles but are coded with a non-heading HTML Tag should include a "role" attribute that equals to "heading" or have their tags fixed.	No	0	0	-
8	Title levels should not be skipped and should be built with consistent hierarchy. For example: you cannot have "h4" titles and "h2" titles without having "h3" titles.	Yes	Pass	-	100%

using the keyboard by either using a

focusable element (a, button, input, etc.) or including the "tabindex" attribute that equals to "0".

10	Interactive elements that can be navigated using the keyboard should be surrounded by a visual outline whenever they are focused.	Yes	Pass	-	100%
11	Active popups should include an "aria-modal" attribute that equals to "true", and a "role" attribute that equals to "dialog", so screen-reader users know how to navigate within it.	No	0	0	-
12	Every page should include hidden links that by clicking on them (either using keyboard navigation or a screen-reader), the user will "skip" certain blocks directly to main landmarks such as main content, menu or footer.	No	Fail	-	-
13	Elements that are hidden using CSS manipulations (opacity, height, text-indent, off-canvas, etc.) should be wrapped inside an element with an "aria-hidden" attribute that equals to "false", or include it directly, and have it dynamically changed to "true" when they become visible.	No	0	0	-
14	Elements that are hidden using CSS manipulations (opacity, height, text-indent, off-canvas, etc.) should include a "tabindex" attribute that is below 0, and have it dynamically changed to 0 when they become visible.	No	0	0	-
15	Menus should either be built using the HTML5 "nav" element or include a "role" attribute that equals to "menu" or	No	0	0	-

16	Menu items that have a dropdown menu include an "aria-haspopup" attribute that equals to "true".	No	0	0	-
17	Menu items that have a dropdown menu include an "aria-expanded" attribute that equals to "false" that changes to "true" and back when opening or closing the dropdown.	No	0	0	-
18	Images should have an alternative text description that describes both the objects and the embedded text that the image contains, using the "alt" attribute.	Yes	Pass	-	100%

Code snapshots of some successful elements

```
<img alt="Hardwiredmedia Logo" title="Hardwiredmedia Logo" class="pull-left padding-all-5" src="https://hardwiredmedia.com/wp-content/themes/hardwiredmedia/images/HardWiredMedia-Logo.svg">
```

19	Background images that are not just for decoration purposes and should have the same treatment as standard images and include a "role" attribute that equals to "img" and an alternative text description in an "aria-label" attribute.	No	0	0	-
20	Font icons, SVG or images that are being used as spacers, decorations or their purpose is already described by the content should include a "role" attribute that equals to "presentation" or "none".	Yes	2	1	67%

Code snapshots of some successful elements

```
<span class="hamburger-box"> <span class="hamburger-inner"></span> </span>
```

```
<span class="hamburger-inner"></span>
```

Code snapshots of some failed elements

```
<i class="fa-brands fa-facebook"></i>
```

| 21 | Figure elements that are used to display images should have a "role" attribute that equals to "none" and the image provide itself should provide the description using an "alt" attribute. | Yes | Pass | - | 100% |

Code snapshots of some successful elements

```
<figure class="wp-block-image size-large" role="none"><img decoding="async" width="1024" height="256" class="img-fluid" src="https://hardwiredmedia.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/04/1517710777980-1024x256.jpg" alt="About hardwiredmedia.com" title="About...
```

| 22 | Every "area" element of a "map" tag should be regarded as a standard image and receive an alternative text description using an "alt" attribute. | No | 0 | 0 | - |

| 23 | Small or hidden tracker pixel images (often used for analytics or marketing purposes) should include a "role" attribute that equals to "none" or "presentation" so they are excluded from screen-readers. | No | 0 | 0 | - |

| 24 | Form fields should either include an "aria-label" attribute or a connected LABEL element describing the requirement of the field (email, phone, name, etc.). | Yes | 4 | 0 | 100% |

Code snapshots of some successful elements

```
<input size="40" class="wpcf7-form-control wpcf7-text wpcf7-validates-as-
required form-control" id="your-name" autocomplete="name" aria-required
="true" aria-invalid="false" value="" type="text" name="your-name">
```

```
<input size="40" class="wpcf7-form-control wpcf7-text wpcf7-email wpcf7-v
alidates-as-required wpcf7-validates-as-email form-control" id="your-emai
l" autocomplete="email" aria-required="true" aria-invalid="false" value
="" type="email" name="your-email...
```

```
<input size="40" class="wpcf7-form-control wpcf7-text wpcf7-validates-as-
required form-control" id="your-subject" aria-required="true" aria-invali
d="false" value="" type="text" name="your-subject">
```
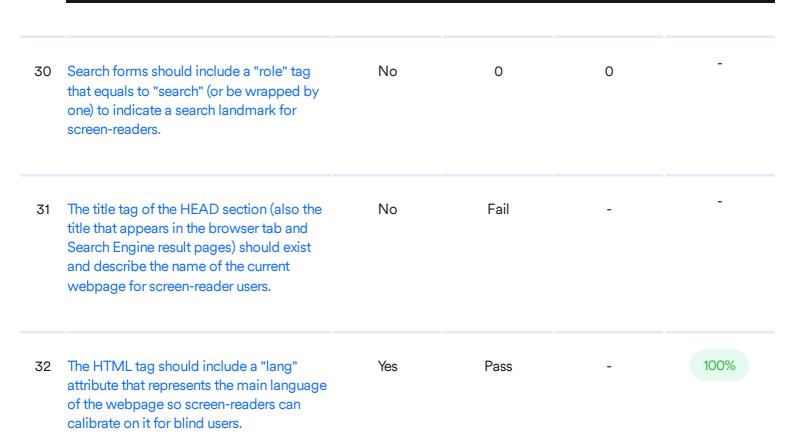
```
<textarea cols="40" rows="10" class="wpcf7-form-control wpcf7-textarea fo
rm-control" id="your-message" aria-invalid="false" name="your-message"></
textarea>
```

25	Form elements cannot have the same ID, or else their corresponding label will provide false information.	No	0	0	-
26	Required form fields should include an "aria-required" attribute that equals to "true" so blind users using screen-readers know their validation.	No	0	0	-
27	The validity status of every form element must be represented in the code at all times using the "aria-invalid" attributes and the "true/false" values, and change dynamically when the status changes.	No	0	0	-
28	aria-describedby and aria-labeledby attributes should be connected by ID to an element that either has text description or an "aria-label" attribute.	No	0	0	-
29	All forms should have a submission button that is built as an input type "submit" or a	Yes	Pass	-	100%

that equals to "button". Buttons can be

hidden if the form can be submitted using the Enter key.

Code snapshots of some successful elements

```
<form action="/#wpcf7-f9-p13-o1" method="post" class="wpcf7-form init" ar
ia-label="Contact form" novalidate="novalidate" data-status="init"> <div
style="display: none;" > <input type="hidden" name="_wpcf7" value="9" > <
input type="hidden" name="_wpcf...
```

30	Search forms should include a "role" tag that equals to "search" (or be wrapped by one) to indicate a search landmark for screen-readers.	No	0	0	-
31	The title tag of the HEAD section (also the title that appears in the browser tab and Search Engine result pages) should exist and describe the name of the current webpage for screen-reader users.	No	Fail	-	-
32	The HTML tag should include a "lang" attribute that represents the main language of the webpage so screen-readers can calibrate on it for blind users.	Yes	Pass	-	100%

Code snapshots of some successful elements

```
<html class="no-js" lang="en"><!--<![endif]--><!-- -------------- header
----------- --><head> <meta http-equiv="X-UA-Compatible" content="IE=edg
e,chrome=1"> <title></title> <meta http-equiv="Content-Type" content="tex
t/html; charset=UTF-8"> <meta ...
```

33	The meta viewport tag should allow vision impaired users to pinch-zoom at least double the standard scaling using the user-scalable="yes" and maximum-scale={2 or higher} content strings.	Yes	Pass	-	100%

```
<meta name="viewport" content="user-scalable=yes, width=device-width, initial-scale=1.0, maximum-scale=2.0, minimum-scale=1.0">
```

| 34 | Landmarks such as main content and footer should be built using their corresponding HTML5 element or include a description using an "aria-label" attribute and a "role" tag that equals to "contentinfo" or "main". Landmarks such as search and navigation are tested in other sections. | Yes | 2 | 1 | 67% |

Code snapshots of some successful elements

```
<footer class="footerrow row"> <!-- Start Footer container --> <div class
="container"> <div class="row"> <div class="col-12 col-md-12"> <div class
="row"> <div class="col-6 col-md-2 d-inline pt-3"> <a class="bt...
```

Code snapshots of some failed elements

```
<div class="row"> <div class="col-6 col-md-2 d-inline pt-3"> <a class="bt
n btn-secondary w-100" href="/contact-us/" >Contact Us</a> </div> <div cl
ass="d-inline col-6 col-md-10 pt-3"> <a title="facebook link" ...
```

| 35 | Font sizes should be at least 11px in size in order to stay readable in the majority of font families. This should be verified also when using dynamic units such as REM or percents. | Yes | Pass | - | 100% |

| 36 | Letter spacing should not be set to below -1px in order to stay readable in the majority of font families. This should be verified also when using dynamic units such as REM or percents. | Yes | Pass | - | 100% |

| 37 | Elements that have texts should meet a minimum contrast ratio of 4.5:1 between their foreground (usually text color) and background color. | Yes | 9 | 0 | 100% |

```
<p>I am a multi-media and digital freelancer specializing in sound desig
n, WCAG compliance, WordPress/Website development and Graphic Design. Wit
h over 20 years in design and audio Hard Wired Media will design a produc
t to fit your needs, budget and ...
```

```
<h2>Contact us today for your next project!</h2>
```

```
<label for="your-name"> Your name</label>
```

```
<label for="your-email"> Your email</label>
```

```
<label for="your-subject"> Subject</label>
```

```
<label for="your-message"> Your message (optional)</label>
```

```
<a class="btn btn-secondary w-100" href="/contact-us/" >Contact Us</a>
```

```
<span class="sr-only">Facebook</span>
```

```
<p>© 2023 HardWiredMedia.com</p>
```

38	Carousels should include an "aria-label" attribute that equals to "carousel"/"slider" or something else that indicates the functionality, as well as be tagged as a landmark for screen-readers using a "role" tag that equals to "contentinfo".	No	0	0	-
39	Control elements such as next and previous icons should include an "aria-label" attribute or a screen-reader only text that explains the functionality to screen-readers.	No	0	0	-
40	A common accessibility mistake is to treat carousels as live regions using the "aria-	No	0	0	-

cause screen-readers to cut and skip announcements.

41	Carousel pagination items (usually used as small dots at the bottom of the carousel) should indicate their functionality and slide number they control using an "aria-label" and a screen-reader only text.	No	0	0	-
42	Tables that are being used as layout structures should include a "role" attribute that equals to "presentation" to indicate to screen-readers that it is not really a table.	No	0	0	-
43	If nested tables are used (a table element within a table cell), set the nested tables "role" attribute to "presentation".	No	0	0	-
44	Tables that are missing a THEAD row with TH elements, should include a "role" attribute that equals to "rowheader" on the TD elements of the TR that represents the visual table headings.	No	0	0	-
45	Visually deleted texts (often used to show a previous price of a sale) should include an "aria-label" attribute or a screen-reader only text that explains this is deleted text.	No	0	0	-
46	Breadcrumbs main element should include a "role" attribute that equals to "navigation" and an "aria-label" attribute that describes the functionality."	No	0	0	-
47	Ratings/scores that are represented visually using stars, meters or other indicators should either have an "aria-label" attribute or a screen-reader only texts conveying the score/rate.	No	0	0	-

| 48 | Making use of an accessibility interface | No | 0 | 0 | - |

helps to ensure that vision impaired users can adjust some of the UI and the design (font-size, colors, spacing, etc.) to their needs. It is not a compliance requirement, but can help to improve compliance.

| 49 | Iframe elements should include a "title" or an "aria-label" attribute explaining the purpose, the functionality or the destination of the iframe, or be tagged hidden for screen-readers if irrelevant. | No | 0 | 0 | - |