

## Disability Access Quick Survey

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For Access Benton County, Corvallis

This is a quick guide to doing a cursory accessibility survey for compliance with the ADAAG specifications. We are only hitting the highlights and using estimating techniques rather than actual measurements. Having a yard stick or two will be helpful.

We will start from the street outside the facility and assume we are arriving in a motor vehicle. It helps to arrive in a side-lift van and with at least one person in a wheel chair. Part of the process will be demonstration of how a person in a wheel chair would access the facility.

Facility Name: Salbasgeon Suites, 1730 NW 9th, Corvallis, OR 97330

Survey Date: January 22, 2004

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**A. Parking** -- Disabled Parking spot with access aisle on passengers side. Is the access aisle almost as wide as a parking spot? (8 ft. wide required for van accessible spot). Is the access aisle closer to the width of a normal sidewalk? (Not van accessible -- 5 ft. wide). If there is only one disabled parking spot it must be van accessible.

**Access Aisle (circle)      Wide**

**Is the slope of the parking spot including access aisle less than 2% ( 1 in. in 50")?    YES**  
**(rear curb ramp appears steeper than 1 in 12 by eye)**

**Number of disabled parking spots: 2 in front, 2 in rear**

**B. Accessible route to front door -- 36" minimum width, curb ramps maximum slope 1 in. in 20 in. run. Ramps maximum slope 1 in. in 12 inches.**

**Is there a clearly marked accessible route to the front door?    YES for front parking**

**Is the width at least 36" ?    YES**

**Are there any cross slopes?    NO for Front Parking    YES for rear parking in curb ramp.**

**C. Getting in the front door.**

**Is there a flat landing space in front of door (60" perpendicular to door) ?    YES for reception**

**Is there 18 to 24 inches space to the latch side of the door?    YES for reception    NO for rear door**

**Is it a power door?    NO**

**Is it hard to pull open?      NO front doors very easy to open**

**Is the threshold flat or low enough to roll easily?    YES front door**

**Is there at least 32" of clear passage width? YES**

**Notes:** Rear parking leads to small card locked door without 24" latch side clearance and could be difficult to open. Also there is a new rear entrance walkway which is not ramped to the parking lot. A curb ramp would be convenient for people walking to the North meeting room building from the back door.

**D. Getting to Registration/Reception:**

**Is there a clear obvious path to the reception area? YES**

**Notes:** Lowered Counter not obvious -- a sign on the higher counter directing one to the left end lowered counter would be useful.

**E. Number of Accessible Rooms 5 Total Number of Rooms 95**

**Notes:** Room #113 - no 18"-24" space latch side of door.

**F. Getting in and out of the bathroom (Guest Rooms):**

**Where is the trash can? Small moveable**

**Do the bathroom doors comply with C. above (32" clear passage) ? YES**

**Notes:** Doors swing into bathroom.

**G. Using the toilet: Room #113**

**Is the stall/bathroom door easy to get into (difficulty, handles, latches) ? YES**

**Is the toilet 17 to 19 inches tall? YES Exact Measurement to top of toilet seat 17.5**

**Is there 30 or more inches clear space beside the toilet for backing in a wheel chair? NO**

**Exact Measurement: 4" (Center line to wall 21" instead of standard 18")**

There should be at least 60" width with the toilet to one side and depth of stall should be 56 to 92".

**Are there grab bars by the toilet: YES**

**Notes:** Room #137 Toilet center line 18" from wall, only 11" space beside toilet to vanity. Inside room door has 18" latch side space.

**H. Survey meeting room space**

**Notes:** Looked at main building meeting room and adjacent bathroom -- good side transfer space beside toilet. Did not look at the meeting space in the old DMV building.