



# The Ability Center

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The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) provides that individuals with disabilities be afforded the same opportunities when accessing public accommodations such as restaurants and bars. The Ability Center provides the following guidance as establishments seek to reopen under strict regulations by enforcement entities. Response to the pandemic does not release businesses from complying with the ADA.

## **Parking**

Patrons with disabilities must be provided with parking spaces that are close to your business.

## **Doors**

Entrances must be at least 36" wide to accommodate customers in wheelchairs.

## **Facility Layout**

Aisles between tables must be at least 36" wide for customers with disabilities to be able to move around safely and efficiently. (6 feet social distance preferred)

Space must be arranged for chair users be able to turn in the facility. It must be in the shape of a T or a 5-foot circle. (6 feet social distance preferred)

## **Seating, Tables (Indoors + Outdoors)**

Maintain a clear path of 36 inches between tables (6 feet social distance preferred)

Provide a mixture of high-top and low-top tables to accommodate differing abilities.

- A floor area of 30" by 48" should be cleared to accommodate wheelchair seating at a table or counter.
- Tabletops and counters should be between 28" to 34" in height to be accessible in a wheelchair.

## **Restrooms**

There must be enough space for a wheelchair to maneuver around the toilet and the sink.

There must be a handicapped stall with grab bars.

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