

A/GFTC ADA Rating Scale

RATING SCALE FOR ACCESSIBILITY OF SIDEWALKS, CROSSWALKS, AND CURB RAMPS ALONG PUBLIC ROADWAYS.

This rating criteria, based on NYSDOT standards, uses a four-point scale with 1 being the worst and 4 being the best.

Rating 1 - NOT ACCESSIBLE - Accessibility for Persons with Disabilities is impossible or very difficult

Sidewalks/Multi-use Trails

There are significant obstacles such as:

- > 50' of unpaved walkway
- Significant heaving or vertical displacement
- Significant flooding
- Vegetation growing over walkway
- Steps within walkway or cross-slopes over 5%
- Less than 3' of width around obstacles or less than 5' of width overall

Crosswalks/Curb Ramps

There are significant obstacles such as:

- No curb ramp at all or more than 2" of curb
- Street crown very steep for crosswalk area
- Crosswalk pavement severely cracked or distressed
- Major flooding/drainage issues



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Rating 2 - PARTIALLY ACCESSIBLE Not to current standards. Accessibility is possible, but there are problems

Sidewalks/Multi-use Trails

- Small heaving or vertical displacement
- Occasional width obstacles
- Major maintenance issues (gravel accumulation)

Crosswalks/Curb Ramps

- Problems with geometry
- Generally less than 5' width
- No detectable warnings
- Curb ramps not compliant as per standards
- Major maintenance issues (gravel accumulation)
- More than half of crosswalk paint missing/faded



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Rating 3- ACCESSIBLE - May need additional improvements

Sidewalks/Multi-use Trails

- Minor maintenance problems
- Minor insufficient width

Crosswalks/Curb Ramps

- Minor maintenance problems
- Paint faded but still visible
- Minor insufficient width



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Rating 4- FULLY ACCESSIBLE TO CURRENT STANDARDS

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Current ADA Standards—for reference only

Sidewalks/Multi-use Trails

- Recommended width is 5'. Minimum width of 4'.
 - If less than 5' wide, a passing space must be provided every 200' or less (driveways are OK).
- Running slope must be no steeper than the road or 5%, whichever is greater.
- Cross slope must be less than 2%.
- Surface must be firm, stable, and slip resistant (concrete and asphalt are OK, loose gravel or slippery slate are not)

Crosswalks/Curb Ramps

- There must be a 4'x4' minimum turning space at the top and bottom of the curb ramp
- Curb ramp running slope must be between 5-8.3% (6' ramp for a 6" curb)
- Curb ramp flares have maximum slope of 10%
- Curb ramps must have detectable warning strips
- Crosswalk markings should be similar to examples in 3B-19.

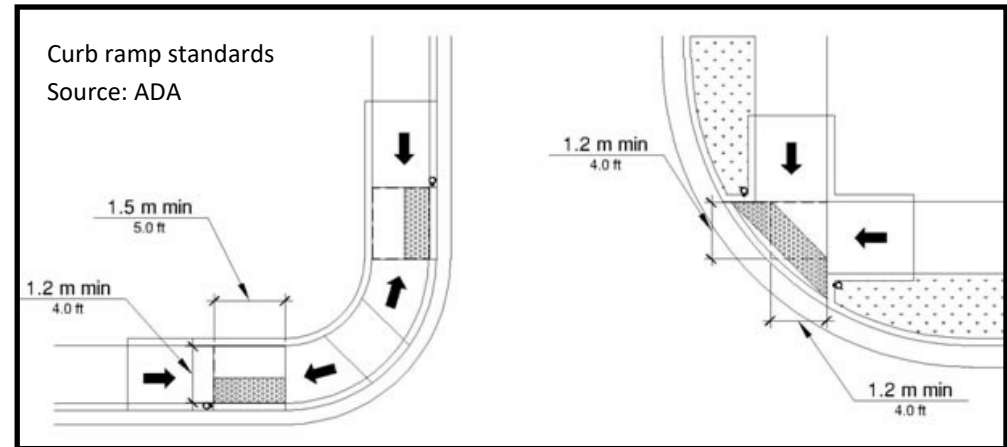
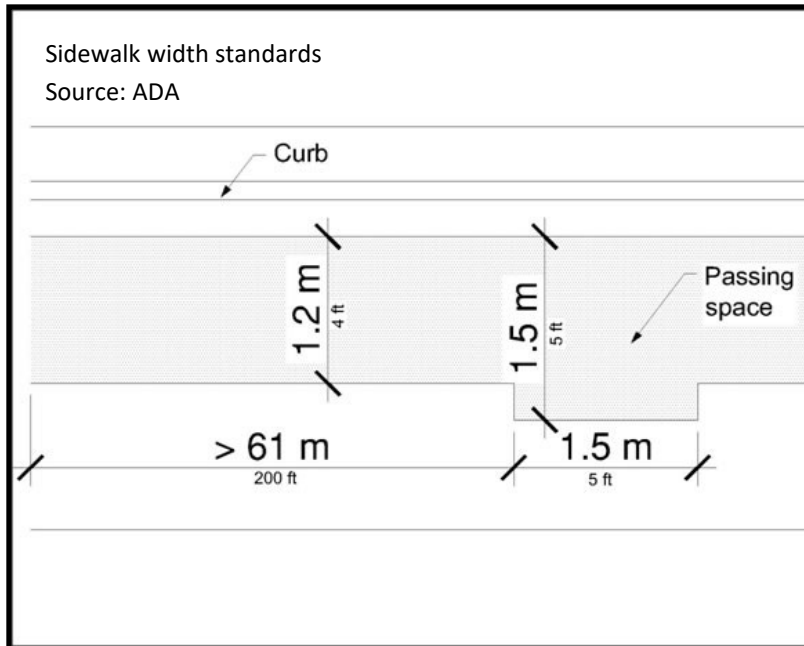


Figure 3B-19. Examples of Crosswalk Markings

