

# What is Section 508?

In 1998, Congress amended the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 to require Federal agencies to make their electronic and information technology (EIT) accessible to people with disabilities.

Section 508 was passed by the Oklahoma Legislature and signed by the Governor of Oklahoma in 2004.

The standards apply to all state agencies, as defined. As such, they apply equally to all state employees, contractors or any entity that deals with the State of Oklahoma.

Section 508 requires that federal agencies' electronic and information technology is accessible to people with disabilities.

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## What is covered?

- Electronic and information technology products procured, developed, maintained, or used by a Federal agency.

***Complaints and lawsuits can only be filed against products that are procured.***

- Electronic and information technology includes products that store, process, transmit, convert, duplicate, or receive electronic information
- Copiers, computers, fax machines, information kiosks, software, operating systems, websites and telecommunications products.

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