



ADA Compliance Checklist Guidance [APS] (Accessible Pedestrian Signals)



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i) Introduction

The **APS Compliance Checklist** form runs complementary to the Curb Ramp Compliance Checklist forms. For more details and steps to access the SharePoint form library, refer to the ADA Compliance Checklist Guidance for Curb Ramp.

IMPORTANT: Only MnDOT employees are able to access the ADA SharePoint Library. Locals/Consultants will have to use the offline form supplied as mentioned below.

Internet connection

The online compliance form can only be used with an internet connection. If forms are to be used in the field, ensure there will be a signal at project location before utilizing mobile device/tablet (e.g. iPad) for form submission.

What if – no internet connection?

For projects located in areas with limited connectivity (weak signal/no internet), print out the compliance checklist forms <http://www.dot.state.mn.us/ada/tools.html> and fill it out on site. Enter all the acquired information on SharePoint (as shown in the next section) when internet is available.

DO NOT use **Safari** browser (the default browser for Apple products) on iPads (or any other tablet) to upload any form of attachment onto the form. Alternatively, you can download Google Chrome (tested) or any other browser of your preference off App Store.

QUICK LINK TO APS FORM LIBRARY:

<https://connect.mn.gov/sites/mndot-teams3/ADA/APS%20Compliance%20Form/Forms/AllItems.aspx>

MnDOT ADA Compliance Checklist for APS

SP: ? City: District:

Intersection: ? Quadrant: ?

Construction Year: ?

Figure 1 - APS Form Header

1. Filling out the right SP Number

Depending on the plan sheet, key in the relevant SP number that has the intersection associated with it. If it is a state aid project, enter the SAP number.

2. Determine the intersection names

State the intersection by combining the name of the street and trunk highway where the curb ramp is located. If there are no intersections, place the nearest landmark for easier identification through the use of Google Maps or similar web map services. Refer to [Appendix](#) for visual aid on how the intersections are named.

3. City

Fill in the name of the city the ramp is located in.

4. District

Put in the district number here depending on where the project is situated. For Metro, key in "M".

5. Construction Year

Enter the year that the construction project was completed on in "yyyy" format.

6. Quadrant

Determine the quadrant of the related curb ramp by facing True North. For Island/Pork Chop, Median, or Mid-block put "<Quadrant Here>"Island/Median/Midblock" e.g. SE Island. Exception is allowed for mid-block along loop or roundabout that is difficult to be assigned a specific ordinal (NW, NE, SW, and SE) or cardinal direction (N, W, E, and S). In this situation, numbers are applicable should it compliment the intersection description. Refer to [Appendix](#) for visual aid on how the quadrants are determined.

1) Are push button stations placed and push button faces oriented in accordance with standards? ☐ Yes ☐ No

2) Is there a minimum 4' x 4' landing adjacent to each push button? ☐ Yes ☐ No

3) Distance from crosswalk edge to push button face (ft):
 Trunk Hwy Side Street

4) Distance from the push button to the back of curb: (measured in the direction of the pedestrian travel in ft)
 Trunk Hwy Side Street

5) Distance between push buttons (ft):

6) Push button height (inches):
 Trunk Hwy Side Street

7) Push button side reach (inches):
 Trunk Hwy Side Street

Figure 2 – APS Compliance Form (cont. 1)

7. Push Button Orientation

When facing the intersection, the push button for the crosswalk on your left should also be located to your left on the outside edge of the crosswalk, and the push button for the crosswalk on your right should be located to your right on the outside edge of the crosswalk. The push button face should also be aligned parallel with the direction of travel. Refer to [Appendix](#) for visual clarity.

8. Push Button Landing

The push button shall have a 4' X 4' landing with less than a 2% cross slope in all directions. Center the push button on the landing if possible to do so without violating any of the requirements in the Special Provisions. The landing must be connected to the pedestrian access route. Refer to [Appendix](#) No.1 for visual clarity.

9. Distance from Crosswalk Edge

The push button shall be offset up to 5 feet maximum from the lateral projection of the outside edge of the cross walk. Refer to [Appendix](#) No. 2 for visual clarity.

10. Distance from Push Button to Back of Curb

The push button shall be 1.5 feet to 10 feet from the back of curb and ideally it will be approximately 6 feet from the back of curb. Refer to [Appendix](#) No. 3 for visual clarity.

11. Distance between Push Buttons

The push buttons should have at least 10 feet of separation between them. If located on a pork chop/island, the minimum separation between the push buttons should be at least 6'. Refer to [Appendix](#) No. 4 for visual clarity.

12. Push Button Height

The push button(s) shall be at a height of 42". With MnDOT approved extension bracket, the push button height on signal poles shall be 42". Refer to [Appendix](#) No. 5 for visual clarity.

13. Push Button Side Reach

The push button side reach measured perpendicular to the button face unobstructed at ground level should be 0" but is allowed up to 10". Refer to [Appendix](#): Figure 3 for visual clarity.

The screenshot shows a web-based form for APS compliance. At the top, question 8 asks 'Is APS system fully compliant?' with a dropdown menu (callout 14) and a 'Check' button. Below this, it instructs users to provide reasons for non-compliance and includes a file upload button (callout 15). There are four checkboxes for reasons: Topography, Structure(s), Utilities, and Contractor. A text area for explanations is also present. Below this, questions 9, 10, and 11 are listed with 'Yes' and 'No' checkboxes. Question 9 is about a 6' maintenance access route (MAR) (callout 16). Question 10 is about push buttons being at least 2' away from the back of walk and ramp grade break (callout 17). Question 11 is about hand-hole(s) being located outside of pedestrian access route (PAR) (callout 18).

Figure 3 – APS Compliance Form (cont. 2)

14. APS Compliance

If any of these standards are violated and the compliance shows up as “Non-Compliant” after clicking the “Check” button, provide an explanation describing which parameters were violated and why. Provide additional attachment as needed (file size **does not exceed 6MB**) but make sure to **NOT** use Safari browser on tablet such as iPad to upload attachment.

15. Non-Compliant Explanation/Reason

If APS system shows up as non-compliant, provide explanation here and check the necessary box(es) located below (Topography, Utilities, Structure, Contractor).

16. Maintenance Access Route

The Maintenance Access Route (MAR) has been mentioned in bubble note No.2 in the APS Push Button Location detail sheet on <http://www.dot.state.mn.us/ada/pdf/signalplanguidance.pdf>. Provide a MAR wherever possible for snow removal purposes. A MAR requires minimum clear distance between a push button and any obstructions, including buildings, v-curb, electrical foundations, signal cabinets, or another push button.

17. Push Button Placement

The button should be placed 2 feet minimum from both ramp grade break and back of walk for accessibility purpose. For visual aid on how the push button should be placed, please refer to the APS Push Button Location detail <http://www.dot.state.mn.us/ada/pdf/signalplanguidance.pdf>.

18. Hand Holes

Newly constructed hand-hole(s) should always be placed outside of the PAR.

12) Push buttons placed according to the plan details? 19 Yes ☐ No
If no, please describe/explain:

Printed Name: 20 Date (mm/dd/yyyy): 21
22 ☐ I certify that the information entered on this form is accurate to the best of my knowledge and that I fully understand the checklist standards and am qualified to carry out the inspection.

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Figure 4 - APS Compliance Form (cont. 3)

19. Push Button According to Plan

Determine if the push buttons are placed according to plan details or changed in the field to meet compliance.

20. Printed Name

Fill in the name of the person who gathered/filled out the information.

21. Printed Date

Fill in the date when the form was filled.

22. Information Accuracy

Check the box to indicate that all information entered is gathered as is from the field without any unauthorized modification.

23. Submission

Click the button "Submit to SharePoint Library" to upload the form to ADA Form Library.

APPENDIX

The bubble note in each figure represents the required data on the APS compliance checklist form.

Numbers on figure and on the APS form	DESCRIPTION
1	Push button orientation
2	Push button landing
3	Distance from crosswalk edge
4	Distance from back of curb
5	Distance between push buttons
9	Distance of push button(s) to front and back of landing
10	Maintenance access route (MAR)

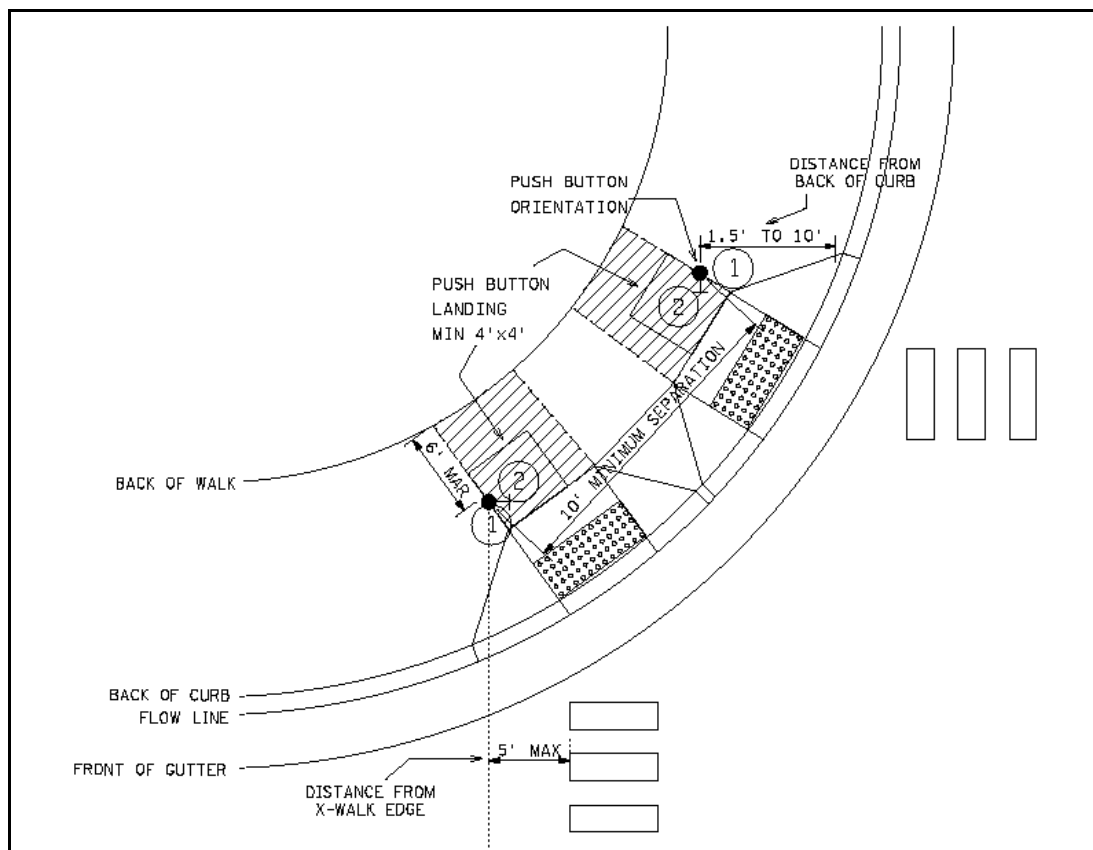


Figure 1: APS Guidance (1)

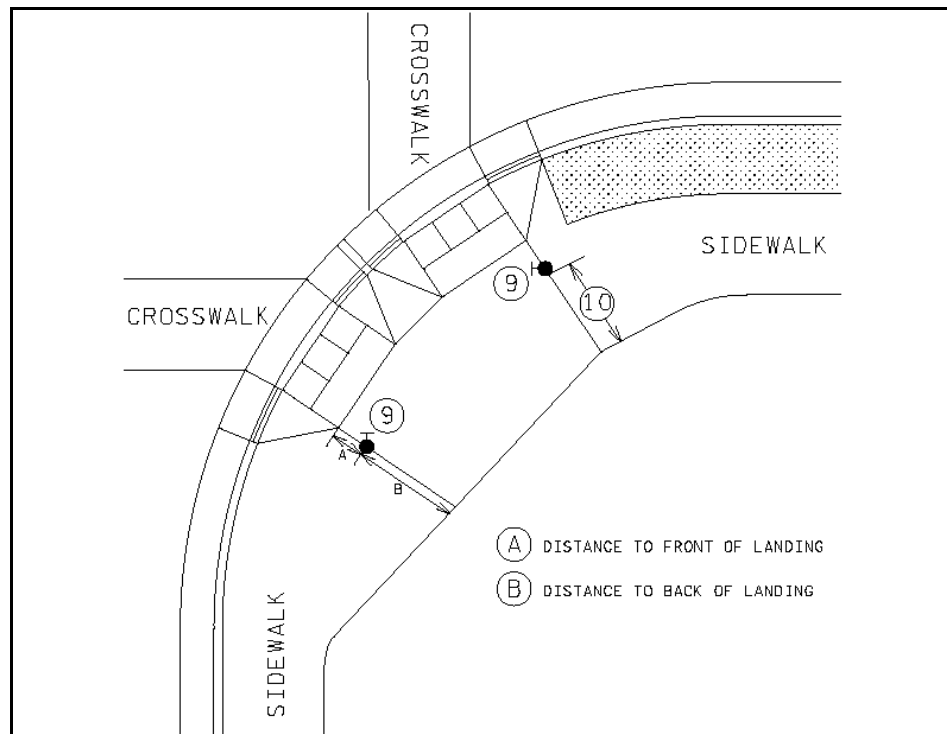


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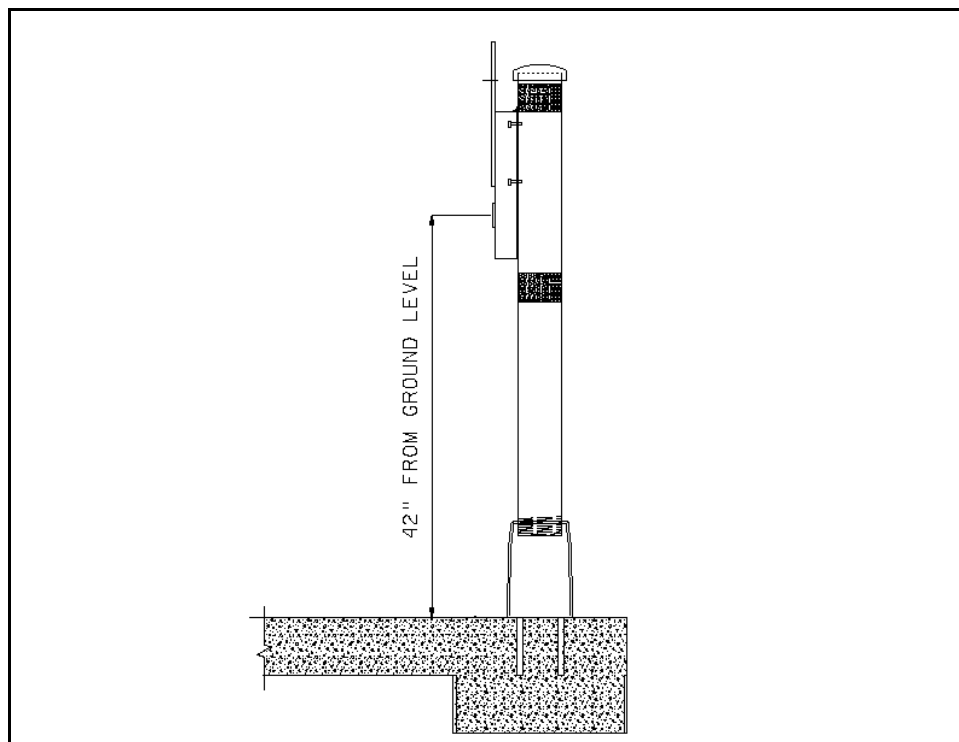


Figure 3: Push Button Height

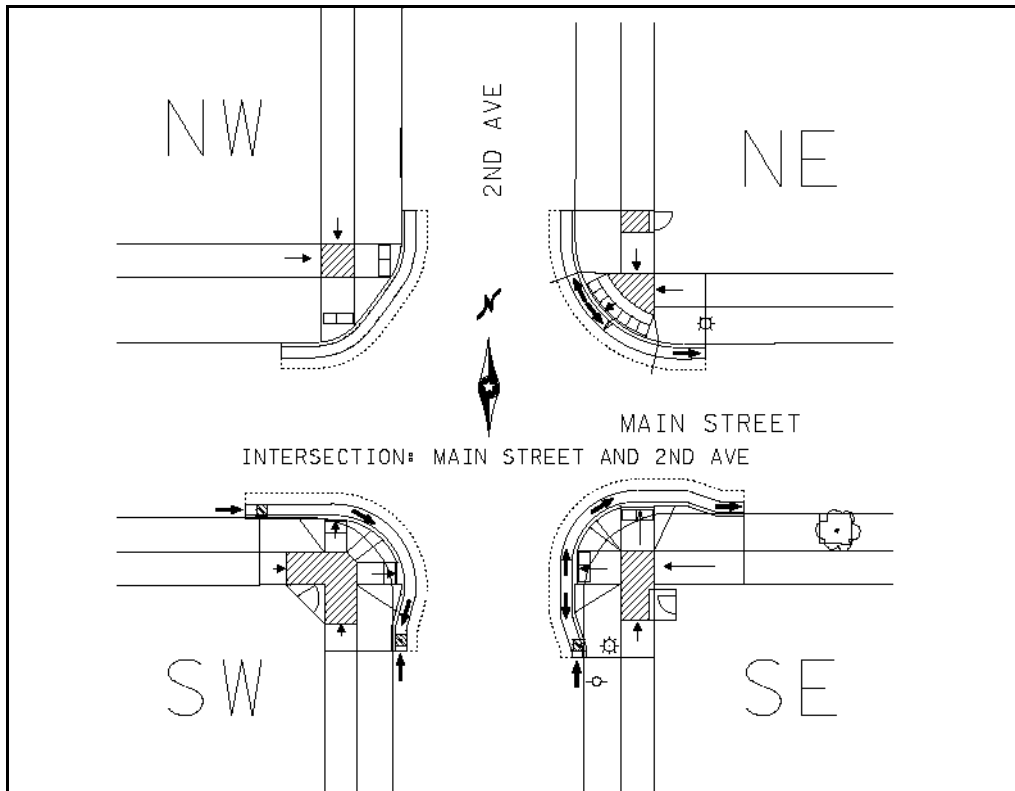


Figure 5 – Intersection and Quadrant identification (1)

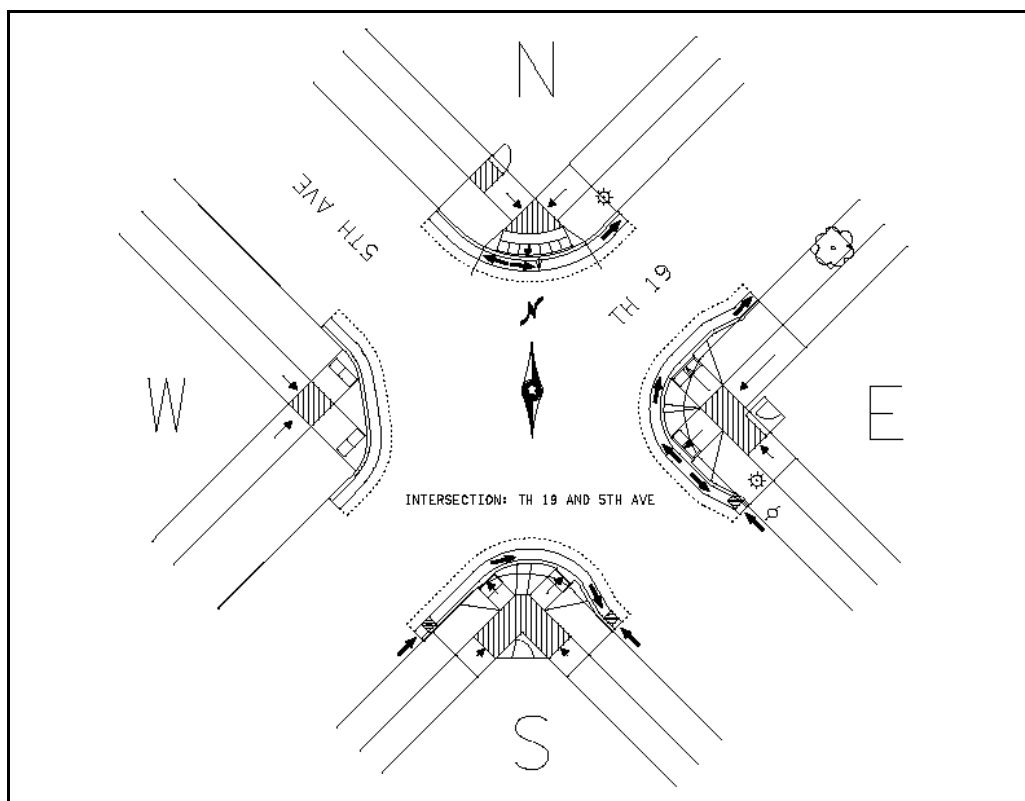


Figure 6 – Intersection and Quadrant identification (2)