

## AODA MULTI-YEAR ACCESSIBILITY PLAN

#### INTENT

This accessibility plan outlines the policies and actions that Jones DesLauriers (a Navacord Company) will put in place to improve opportunities for people with disabilities in accordance with the requirements communicated under the <u>Integrated Accessibility Standards</u>, <u>Ontario Regulation 191/11</u>.

### **ACESSIBILITY FOR ONTARIANS WITH DISABILITY ACT (AODA)**

The AODA Multi-Year Accessibility Plan outlines the policies, achievements, and actions that Navacord have taken and the work underway to improve opportunities for people with disabilities. The current plan covers a five-year period (2023-2028), to align with our strategic plan.

#### STATEMENT OF COMMITMENT

Navacord is committed to treating everyone with fairness and respect, in an impartial, equitable, sensitive, and ethical manner. Navacord is working towards full compliance with current standards of the Integrated Accessibility Standards Regulation (IASR) Policy, Regulation 191/11, under the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005 (AODA); and Accessible Canada Act as they are introduced. In doing so, we affirm our commitment to providing quality services in a manner that respects the dignity and independence of persons with disabilities.

Navacord is committed to develop, implement, and maintain policies that govern how the organization achieves or will achieve accessibility. To facilitate this commitment, Navacord has established, maintained, and documented a multi-year accessibility plan, that is reviewed and updated at least once every five years to identify progress made in addressing barriers and will be posted on Navacord's website and Employee Intranet.

Navacord is committed to completing the accessibility compliance report by December 31st, 2023.

#### **FEEDBACK**

Navacord is committed to exceeding customer expectations in its service to individuals with disabilities, while also ensuring that the needs of employees with disabilities in the workplace are met effectively. Comments on our services are welcomed and appreciated from members of the public and employees. Feedback regarding the way that Navacord provides services to persons with disabilities can be made in the following ways:

- in person
- by telephone at 416-259-4625
- in writing to 2375 Skymark Avenue, Mississauga, ON L4W 4Y6, attention Human Resources.
- by email to askHR@idimi.com



# MULTI-YEAR ACCESSIBILITY PLAN (2023 – 2028)

## **General Requirements**

Accessibility Requirement	Action Requirement	Compliance Due Date	Status	Responsible Authority
Establishment of accessibility policies	Develop policies and multi-year accessibility plan, including statement of organizational commitment	January 2014	Completed	Human Resources
Training on IASR and the Human Right Code	Train all employees, volunteers, policy developers, those providing services on behalf of Navacord on Ontario's accessibility laws and the Human Rights Code	January 2015	Completed	Human Resources and Managers/Supervisors

## **Information and Communication Standards**

Accessibility Requirement	Action Requirement	Compliance Due Date	Status	Responsible Authority
Feedback Process	Review of feedback processes	January 2015	Completed	Human Resources and Marketing, IT & Communications
Accessible formats and communication support	Provide accessible formats and communication supports	January 2016	Completed	Marketing, IT & Communications
Accessible websites and web content	Make all new and refreshed Internet websites and web content on those sites conform with WCAG 2.0 level A	January 2014	Completed	Marketing, IT & Communications
	Make all Internet website and web content conforms with WCAG 2.0 level AA	January 2021	Completed	Marketing, IT & Communications

**Employment Standard** 

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Accessibility Requirement	Action Requirement	Compliance Due Date	Status	Responsible Authority	
Recruitment, assessment, and selection processes	Notification about accommodation for applicants with disabilities	January 2016	Completed	Human Resources and Managers/Supervisors	
	Provide suitable accommodation that considers the applicant's accessibility needs due to disability	January 2016	Completed	Human Resources and Managers/Supervisors	



	Notify public regarding availability of accommodation	January 2016	Completed	Human Resources and Managers/Supervisors
Workplace emergency response information	Develop workplace emergency plans for employees with disabilities	January 2012	Completed	Human Resources and Managers/Supervisors
Documented individual accommodation plans	Inform employees accommodations are available to assist in performing their duties	January 2016	Completed	Human Resources and Managers/Supervisors
	Individual accommodation plans are in a format that considers the employee's accessibility needs due to disability	January 2016	Completed	Human Resources and Managers/Supervisors
	Develop form for documenting individual accommodation plans	January 2016	Completed	Human Resources and Managers/Supervisors
	Review return to work process to ensure compliance	January 2016	Completed	Human Resources and Managers/Supervisors
Performance management process	Performance management to consider the employee's accessibility needs	January 2016	Completed	Human Resources and Managers/Supervisors
Career development and advancement	Career development and succession planning which considers the employee's accessibility needs	January 2016	Completed	Human Resources and Managers/Supervisors
Redeployment	Redeployment process to take into account the employee's accessibility needs	January 2016	Completed	Human Resources and Managers/Supervisors

## **Customer Service Standard**

Accessibility Requirement	Action Requirement	Compliance Due Date	Status	Responsible Authority
Develop Feedback Form	Develop feedback form and process	January 2012	Completed	Human Resources & COO
Accessible Forms	Ensure that documents or information given to a person with a disability are offered in an accessible format or with communication support	January 2016	Completed	Marketing, IT & Communications
Provide Accessible Website	Ensure website and contents are accessible	January 2021	Completed	Marketing, IT & Communications



**Transportation Standards** 

Accessibility Requirement	Action Requirement	Compliance Due Date	Status	Responsible Authority	
Provide accessible transportation.  *Most of the requirements of the transportation standard relate to the operation of public transportation service systems. Navacord currently does not own or operate any transportation system.	Implement a plan to ensure transportation is accessible to people with disabilities. This includes providing accessible vehicles, trained staff, and appropriate communication and assistance for passengers with disabilities.	January 2025	Completed	Human Resources and Manager	

**Design of Public Space** 

Accessibility Requirement	Action Requirement	Compliance Due Date	Status	Responsible Authority
Emergency Preparedness Plan	Develop an emergency preparedness plan for employees with special needs	January 2025	Completed	Human Resources and Manager
Space Evaluation	Space owners to complete space evaluations	January 2025	Incomplete, will be reviewed annually with an anticipated completion date of no later than December 2028.  Currently working with property management to assess the space and make any necessary changes.	Human Resources and Property Management

#### **Procurement**

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Accessibility Requirement	Action Requirement	Compliance Due Date	Status	Responsible Authority	
Procedures for buying and acquiring goods, services, and facilities	Considering accessibility, where possible, along with other criteria like the quality and cost of the items	January 2025	Completed	Office Manager & HR	

## **Review and Update**

This document was reviewed and updated on December 13th, 2023.