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Name of Product: MadCap Software Flare V.4
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Summary Table
Section 508 Voluntary Product Accessibility Template

Criteria	Supporting Features	Remarks and explanations
Section 1194.21 Software Applications and Operating Systems		The MadCap Flare authoring environment does not support accessibility, however the information systems and documentation published by it can be in accordance with sections 1194.22 and 1194.31
Section 1194.22 Web-based internet information and applications	Supported for information published with MadCap Flare. Please refer to the attached VPAT	
Section 1194.23 Telecommunications Products		MadCap Flare is not considered a telecommunications product.
Section 1194.24 Video and Multi-media Products		MadCap Flare does not use multimedia except as covered in section 1194.21
Section 1194.25 Self-Contained, Closed Products		MadCap Flare is not a self-contained product.
Section 1194.26 Desktop and Portable Computers		MadCap Flare is software as defined under section 1194.21
Section 1194.31 Functional Performance Criteria	Supported for information published with MadCap Flare. Please refer to the attached VPAT	
Section 1194.41 (a) Information, Documentation and Support		The MadCap Flare documentation is not accessible

Section 1194.22 Web-based Internet Information and Applications - Detail
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It is incumbent upon users of MadCap Flare to acquire the knowledge and develop appropriate procedures to create accessible content within the Flare development environment.

Criteria	Supporting Features	Remarks and explanations
(a) A text equivalent for every non-text element shall be provided (e.g., via "alt", "longdesc", or in element content).	Supported: MadCap Flare includes functionality that makes it possible to create pages within Flare that conform to this criterion. Flare users are responsible for ensuring that their own topics conform to this criterion.	
(b) Equivalent alternatives for any multimedia presentation shall be synchronized with the presentation.	Supported: MadCap Flare includes functionality that makes it possible to create topics within Flare that conform to this criterion. Flare users are responsible for ensuring that their own topics conform to this criterion.	
(c) Web pages shall be designed so that all information conveyed with color is also available without color, for example from context or markup.	Supported: MadCap Flare includes functionality that makes it possible to create pages within Flare that conform to this criterion. Flare users are responsible for ensuring that their own topics conform to this criterion.	
(d) Documents shall be organized so they are readable without requiring an associated style sheet.	Supported: MadCap Flare includes functionality that makes it possible to create pages within Flare that conform to this criterion. Flare users are responsible for ensuring that their own topics conform to this criterion.	
(e) Redundant text links shall be provided for each active region of a server-side image map.	Supported: MadCap Flare includes functionality that makes it possible to create pages within Flare that conform to this criterion. Flare generated image maps are client-side. Flare users are responsible for ensuring that their own topics conform to this criterion.	

<p>(f) Client-side image maps shall be provided instead of server-side image maps except where the regions cannot be defined with an available geometric shape.</p>	<p>Supported: MadCap Flare includes functionality that makes it possible to create topics within Flare that conform to this criterion. Flare generated image maps are client-side. Flare users are responsible for ensuring that their own topics conform to this criterion.</p>	
<p>(g) Row and column headers shall be identified for data tables.</p>	<p>Supported: MadCap Flare includes functionality that makes it possible to create topics within Flare that conform to this criterion. Flare users are responsible for ensuring that their own topics conform to this criterion.</p>	
<p>(h) Markup shall be used to associate data cells and header cells for data tables that have two or more logical levels of row or column headers.</p>	<p>Supported: MadCap Flare includes functionality that makes it possible to create topics within Flare that conform to this criterion. Flare users are responsible for ensuring that their own topics conform to this criterion.</p>	
<p>(i) Frames shall be titled with text that facilitates frame identification and navigation</p>	<p>Supported: MadCap Flare includes functionality that makes it possible to create pages within Flare that conform to this criterion. Flare users are responsible for ensuring that their own topics conform to this criterion.</p>	
<p>(j) Pages shall be designed to avoid causing the screen to flicker with a frequency greater than 2 Hz and lower than 55 Hz.</p>	<p>Supported: MadCap Flare includes functionality that makes it possible to create topics within Flare that conform to this criterion. Flare users are responsible for ensuring that their own topics conform to this criterion.</p>	
<p>(k) A text-only page, with equivalent information or functionality, shall be provided to make a web site comply with the provisions of this part, when compliance cannot be accomplished in any other way. The content of the text-only page shall be updated whenever the primary page changes.</p>	<p>Supported: MadCap Flare includes functionality that makes it possible to create topics within Flare that conform to this criterion. Flare users are responsible for ensuring that their own topics conform to this criterion.</p>	

<p>(l) When pages utilize scripting languages to display content, or to create interface elements, the information provided by the script shall be identified with functional text that can be read by Assistive Technology.</p>	<p>Supported: MadCap Flare includes functionality that makes it possible to create topics within Flare that conform to this criterion. Flare users are responsible for ensuring that their own topics conform to this criterion.</p>	
<p>(m) When a web page requires that an applet, plug-in or other application be present on the client system to interpret page content, the page must provide a link to a plug-in or applet that complies with §1194.21(a) through (l).</p>	<p>Supported: MadCap Flare published content does not require any external applets or plug-ins. If a user extends the Flare functionality then MadCap Flare includes functionality that makes it possible to create topics within Flare that conform to this criterion. Flare users are responsible for ensuring that their own topics conform to this criterion.</p>	
<p>(n) When electronic forms are designed to be completed on-line, the form shall allow people using Assistive Technology to access the information, field elements, and functionality required for completion and submission of the form, including all directions and cues.</p>	<p>Supported: MadCap Flare published content does not employ the use of forms. If a user extends the Flare functionality then MadCap Flare includes functionality that makes it possible to create topics within Flare that conform to this criterion. Flare users are responsible for ensuring that their own topics conform to this criterion.</p>	
<p>(o) A method shall be provided that permits users to skip repetitive navigation links.</p>	<p>Supported: MadCap Flare includes functionality that makes it possible to create topics within Flare that conform to this criterion. Flare users are responsible for ensuring that their own topics conform to this criterion.</p>	
<p>(p) When a timed response is required, the user shall be alerted and given sufficient time to indicate more time is required.</p>	<p>Supported: MadCap Flare does not require the user to respond with a specified time for any operations. Flare includes functionality that makes it possible to create topics within Flare that conform to this criterion. Flare users are responsible for ensuring that their own topics conform to this criterion.</p>	

**Section 1194.31 Functional Performance Criteria - Detail
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Criteria	Supporting Features	Remarks and explanations
<p>(a) Vision: At least one mode of operation and information retrieval that does not require user vision shall be provided, or support for assistive technology used by people who are blind or visually impaired shall be provided.</p>	<p>↓ Supported with minor exceptions: MadCap Flare supports publishing to various formats including:</p> <p>Microsoft Word Adobe FrameMaker Web Browsers PDF Microsoft XPS</p> <p>MadCap Flare content published to these various formats supports technologies that make computer programs more accessible to people who use Assistive Technology up to the limitations of the target formats.</p>	
<p>(b) Visual acuity: At least one mode of operation and information retrieval that does not require visual acuity great than 20/70 shall be provided in audio and enlarged print output working together or independently, or support for assistive technology used by people who are visually impaired shall be provided.</p>	<p>↓ Supported with minor exceptions: MadCap Flare supports publishing to various formats including:</p> <p>Microsoft Word Adobe FrameMaker Web Browsers PDF Microsoft XPS</p> <p>MadCap Flare supports the use of relative font sizing and other assistive techniques up to the limitations of the target formats published to.</p>	
<p>(c) Hearing: At least one mode of operation and information retrieval that does not require user hearing shall be provided, or support for assistive technology used by people who are deaf or hard of hearing shall be provided.</p>	<p>Supported: MadCap Flare does not require user hearing for access to any of its functionality. If a user extends the Flare functionality then MadCap Flare includes functionality that makes it possible to create topics within Flare that conform to this criterion.</p>	

<p>(d)Audio Information: Where audio information is important for the use of a product, at least one mode of operation and information retrieval shall be provided in an enhanced auditory fashion, or support for assistive hearing devices shall be provided.</p>	<p>Supported: MadCap Flare does not require user hearing for access to any of its functionality. If a user extends the Flare functionality then MadCap Flare includes functionality that makes it possible to create topics within Flare that conform to this criterion.</p>	
<p>(e) Speech: At least one mode of operation and information retrieval that does not require user speech shall be provided, or support for assistive technology used by people with disabilities shall be provided.</p>	<p>Supported: The MadCap Flare application does not require user speech or speech recognition of any kind.</p>	
<p>(f) Motor Skills/Coordination: At least one mode of operation and information retrieval that does not require fine motor control or simultaneous actions and that is operable with limited reach and strength shall be provided.</p>	<p>Supported: MadCap Flare supports publishing to various formats including: Microsoft Word Adobe FrameMaker Web Browsers PDF Microsoft XPS MadCap Flare content published to these various formats supports technologies that make computer programs more accessible to people who use Assistive Technology up to the limitations of the target formats.</p>	