



What is E&IT?

- Includes information technology and any equipment or interconnected system or subsystem of equipment, that is used in the creation, conversion, or duplication of data or information.
- The term does not include any equipment that contains embedded information technology that is used as an integral part of the product, but the principal function of which is not the acquisition, storage, manipulation, management, movement, control, display, switching, interchange, transmission, or reception of data or information. For example, HVAC (heating, ventilation, and air conditioning) equipment such as thermostats or temperature control devices, and medical equipment where information technology is integral to its operation, are not information technology.

(definition from Section 508)



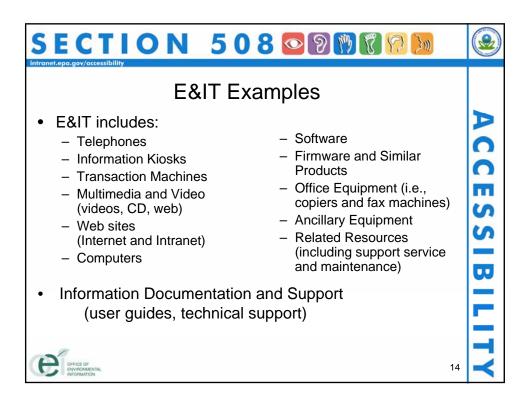
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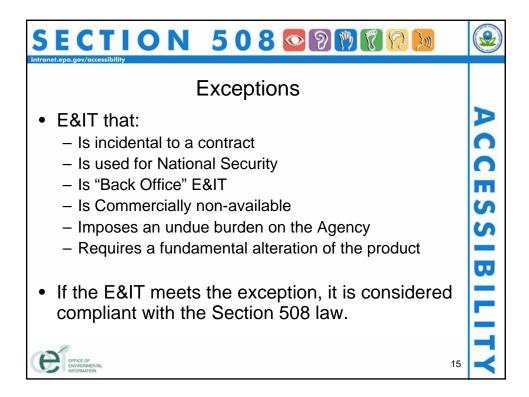
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Fundamental Alteration

This means that making the product accessible would require a change in the fundamental characteristic or purpose of the product or service, not merely a cosmetic or aesthetic change. EPA is not required to fundamentally change or alter a product of service in order to meet EPA's technical requirements.

**This exception can be applied to products or services that are COTS or are being created for or by EPA.



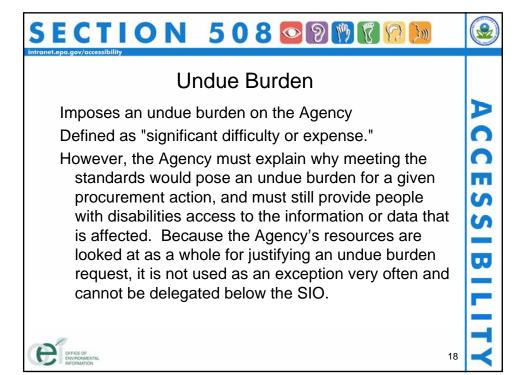
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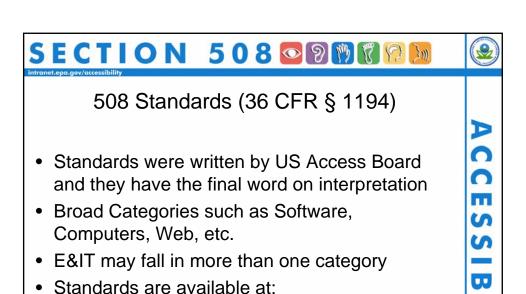
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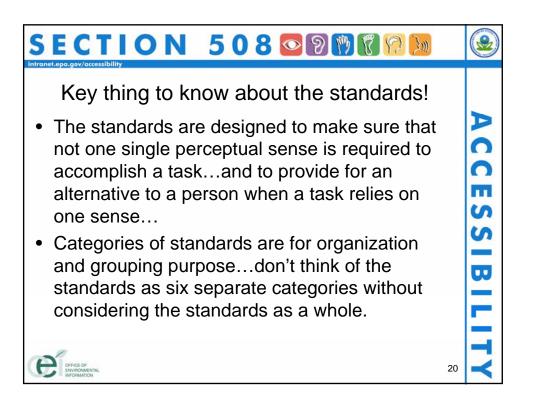


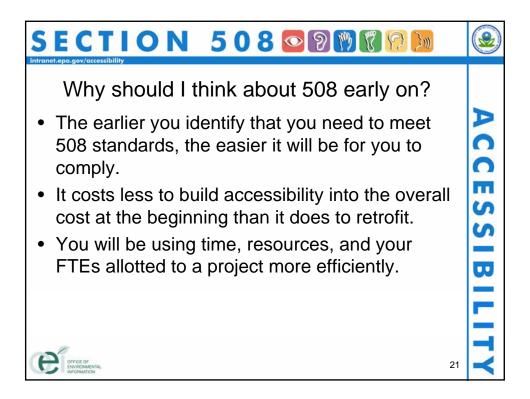


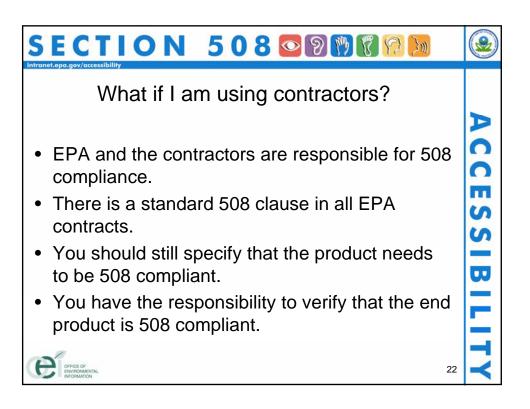
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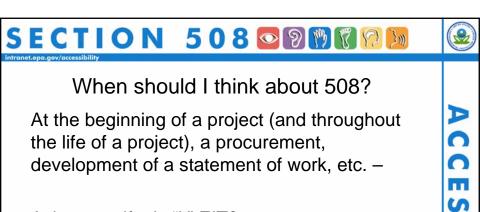


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Ask yourself – is "it" EIT?

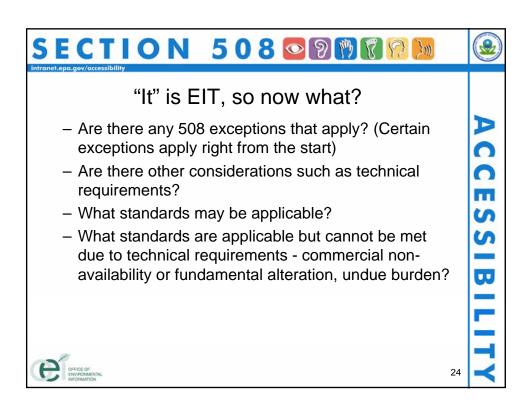
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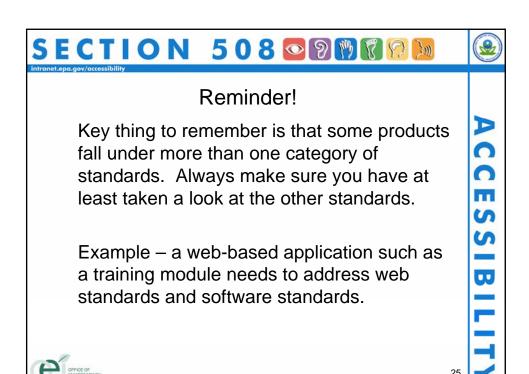
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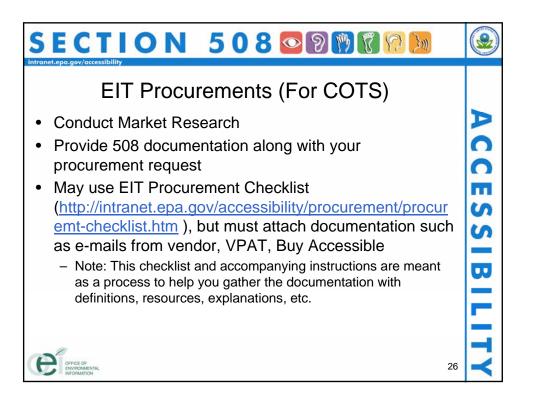


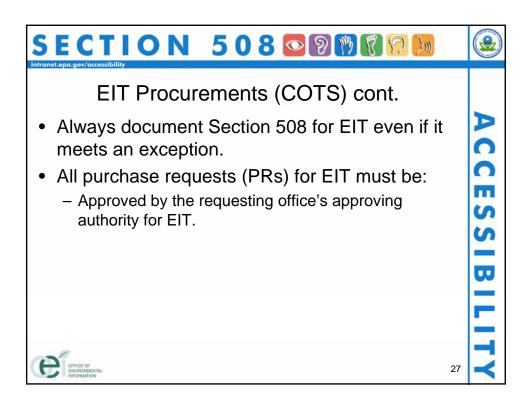
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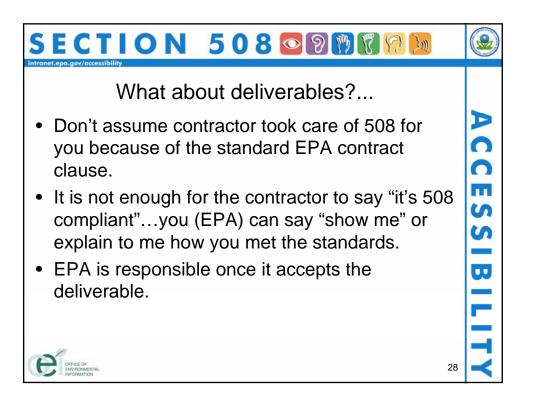
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