

AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT (ADA)

Wisconsin is improving passenger rail service throughout the state. The focus of the current project is an extension of the existing service between Chicago and Milwaukee to Madison. The Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) and the Federal Railroad Administration are committed to nondiscriminatory access to train transportation to enhance the social and economic quality of life for all Americans.

To that end, all sections of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA) that apply to this type of rail system will be incorporated in the design. The ADA prohibits discrimination and ensures equal opportunity and access for persons with disabilities. Some of the station design components that are under consideration for ADA compliance are described on the following page.



The train station located at General Mitchell International Airport in Milwaukee is fully ADA compliant, with all resources and amenities meeting current standards.



Automatic electronic door openers assist with wheelchair access.



INFO to KNOW PASSENGER INFORMATION

All signs, changeable message signs and public address systems in train cars, on platforms and in stations will be ADA compliant.

 *for* **MORE INFO**

ABOUT THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT (ADA)

To learn more about ADA compliance standards and practices for public transportation vehicles and facilities, please visit www.ADA.gov.



ADA-compliant “hi-lo” drinking fountains include one fountain that is accessible to those who use wheelchairs and one fountain installed at a standard height that is convenient for those who have difficulty bending.

 **INFO to KNOW**
**RESERVING
ACCESSIBLE SPACE**

Reservations for accessible space – wheelchair and transfer seats – can be obtained at ticket counters in the stations. Reservations will ensure available accessible space.

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STATION DESIGN COMPONENTS

Parking and entrance

All parking lots will have accessible parking spots. Additionally, all entrances, exits, elevators, and pathways to and from the station and platform will be fully ADA compliant.

Boarding and detrainning

Station platforms will feature a two-foot-wide tactile strip and offer six feet of unobstructed pavement to accommodate passengers who use wheelchairs. Assistance will be offered to people in wheelchairs if needed.

Traveling with an attendant

Discounted fares will be offered to companion travelers who provide personal care and assistance during a trip to a passenger who has special needs.

Service animals

Service animals are welcome to accompany passengers with disabilities in all station and train customer areas.

Station amenities

All ticketing kiosks, public telephones and public restrooms will be ADA compliant. Passengers will also be able to reserve accessible space on the trains at the stations.

Seating

Twelve of the seats on the train are ADA compliant.