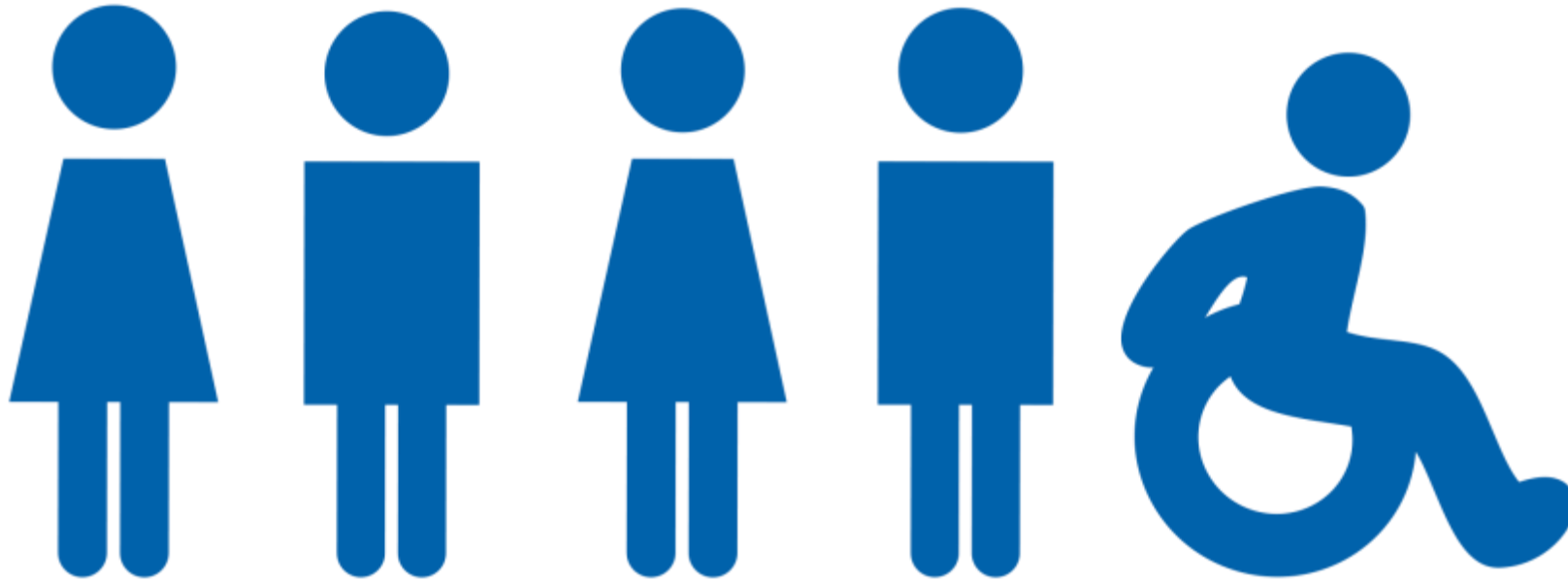


RICK HANSEN FOUNDATION ACCESSIBILITY CERTIFICATION™

The Rick Hansen Foundation

Inspire leaders, influencers, and the public to join Rick in creating a global movement to remove barriers in the built environment and liberate the potential of people with disabilities.





By 2030:

- **Canadians with a disability will rise from 2.9 million to 3.6 million**
- **Real spending will rise from 14% to 21% of the consumer market**
- **Workplace accessibility would allow 550,000 Canadians with disabilities to work more, increasing GDP by \$16.8 billion**



Design for Meaningful Access...

Refers to:

- the ability to independently and safely access the built environment based on planned inclusion
- the level of access for the facility (campus!) as a whole, not just the sum of its parts

RHF Accessibility Certification™ (RHFAC)

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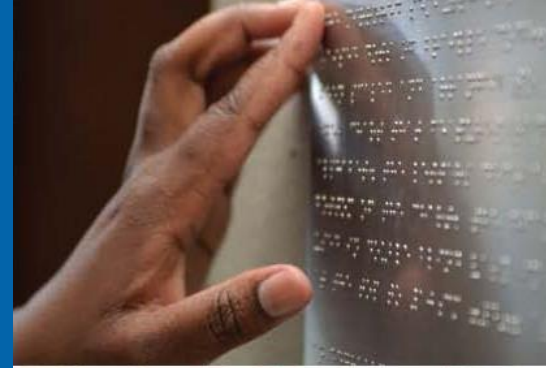


RHFAC Benefits

- Owners/managers aware of accessibility and can action improvements
 - Growing market of students, employees and public
 - Increased pool of reliable, trained professionals in accessibility
 - Improved workforce retention
- Recognition as socially conscious via the Registry and labels
- Higher education as national leaders in accessibility

Rating and Certification

- Learn about specific areas where you can improve accessibility
- Be listed on the RHFAC Registry as an accessible building or site
- Show that your campus cares about creating an accessible and inclusive community



What can be rated?

- **The “Built Environment”**
 - Commercial, institutional, and public buildings
 - Multi-unit residential buildings
 - Trails and pathways - recreational “front-country” trails or urban pathways
 - Leased and partially occupied sites
- **New Construction/Major Renovations**
 - Building plans and drawings - provisional certification

What will be rated?

Buildings are rated based on the following categories:

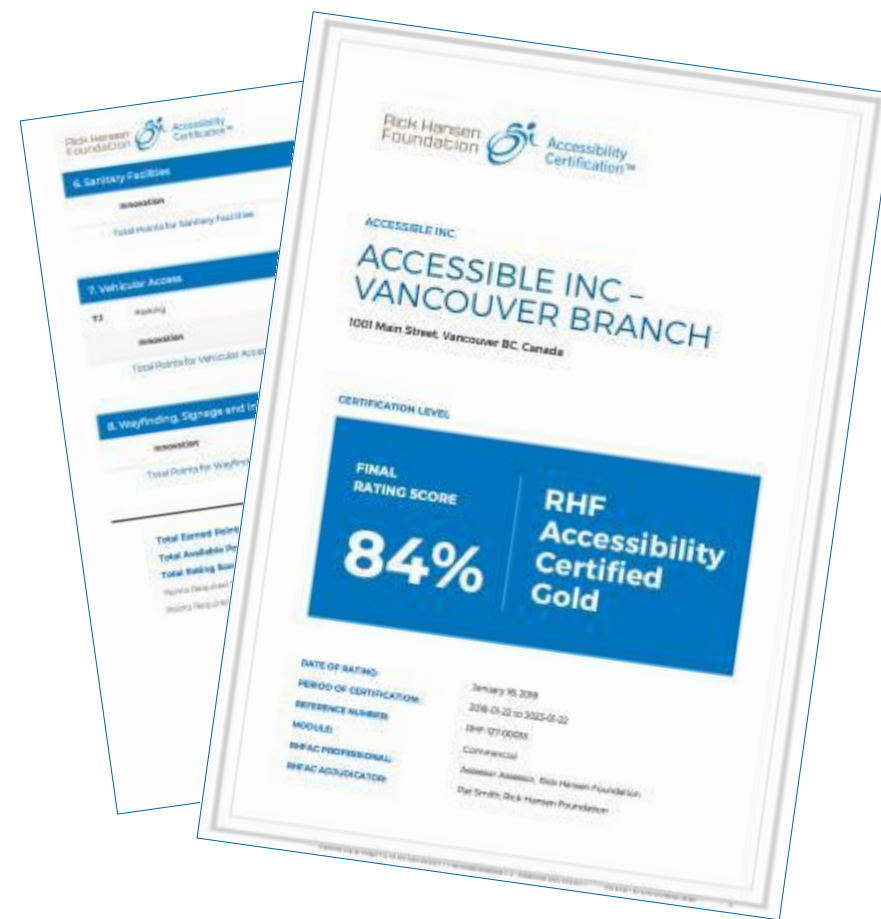
1. Vehicular Access
2. Exterior Approach & Entrance
3. Interior Circulation
4. Internal Services & Environment
5. Sanitary Facilities
6. Wayfinding, Signage, and Information
7. Emergency Systems
8. Additional Use of Spaces



Rating scorecard and certification levels

Depending on the points outlined on your scorecard, your building or site will receive a rating score and corresponding certification level:

RATING SCORE	CERTIFICATION LEVEL
80% and higher	RHF Accessibility Certified Gold
60% - 79%	RHF Accessibility Certified
Below 60%	Not Certified



How can I get certified?

1. Determine the specific areas of the site to be certified.
2. Enroll in the RHFAC Registry, hosted by CSA Group.
3. Your RHFAC Professional will rate your facility.
4. Results will be adjudicated and you will receive your rating scorecard.
5. Choose to showcase your Certification Level publically on the Registry, with an electronic label, or display a physical plaque or window sticker at your site.

How much does it cost?

- Application fee: \$1,350 to enroll a project into the RHFAC Registry
- Rating fees approximately \$600 - \$2,200 depending upon the size of the space
- Labelling: plaques and window decals to showcase your certification range may be purchased from CSA

Application and rating fees will be waived for approximately 1,100 sites in BC until March 2019.





Professional Training & Designation

- Formal training based on Universal Design principles to ensure consistent ratings
- RHFAC ratings may only be conducted by specially-trained individuals with an RHFAC Professional designation

3 steps to become a RHFAC Professional

1. Complete the RHFAC Accessibility Assessor Training (60-hour or 30-hour accelerated course)
2. Pass the RHFAC Professional exam, available online or at a test centre
3. Conduct 5 ratings (minimum 20 hours) supervised by an RHFAC Professional



RHFAC in BC



BC Accessibility Grants Program

- Rated buildings are eligible to apply for up to \$20,000 to undertake accessibility improvements related to RHFAC rating
 - RHF will fund 50% of a for-profit's project, up to a maximum of \$20,000
 - For-profit business must match RHF funding
- Funds will be reimbursed upon completion of a final project report



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