



## Emergency egress

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The Transport Standards makes no provisions for emergency egress from public transport infrastructure. Instead, requirements for building premises are covered under the Disability (Access to Premises) Standards 2010. However, the Premises Standards do not make provision for the safe egress from public transport infrastructure. Public transport infrastructure is seen as the immediate area around the boarding point used by passengers in conjunction with travelling on a public transport service (such as a bus stop). There are a number of factors that introduce complexities for emergency egress from public transport infrastructure, such as fences and roads.

Overall, the provision of safe egress is not well understood by operators, designers and people with disability and they may not have plans to ensure people with disability can move away to safety during an emergency.

### Consultation questions

- What is the experience of people with disability who have been in an emergency situation at a public transport site?
- If there is an emergency at a public transport site, what is required to ensure that people with disability can safely evacuate?
- How do providers and operators currently accommodate and design for emergency situations at public transport sites?
- What are your policies and procedures in place for emergency situations?
- What are the complexities and additional costs in being able to provide emergency egress at public transport sites which are not covered by the Premises Standards?

### Have your say

There are a number of ways for you to have your say and provide input, including:

- taking part in our interactive surveys
- providing a formal response to the consultation paper
- calling the Disability Standards hotline on [02 6274 6188](tel:0262746188)
- using our online form.

### Further information

For further information:

- visit the [Transport Standards webpage](#)
- email [DisabilityTransport@infrastructure.gov.au](mailto:DisabilityTransport@infrastructure.gov.au) or
- ring our Disability Standards hotline on [02 6274 6188](tel:0262746188).