Conformance Claims (Optional)

**Required Components of a Conformance Claim**

Conformance claims are **not required**. Authoring tools can conform to ATAG 2.0 without making a claim. However, if a conformance claim is made, then the conformance claim **must** include the following information:

1. **Date** of the claim
2. **Guidelines title, version and URI**"Authoring Tool Accessibility Guidelines 2.0 at [TBD](http://www.w3.org/TR/2008/REC-WCAG20-20081211/)"
3. **Conformance level** satisfied: (Level A, AA or AAA)
4. Authoring tool information: The name of the authoring tool and sufficient additional information to specify the version (e.g., vendor name, version number (or version range), required patches or updates, human language of the user interface or documentation).  
   Note: If the authoring tool is a collection of software components (e.g., a markup editor, an image editor, and a validation tool), then information must be provided separately for each component, although the conformance claim will treat them as a whole. As stated above, the Claimant has sole responsibility for the conformance claim, not the developer of any of the software components.
5. Platform(s): The platform(s) upon which the authoring tool was evaluated:
   1. For **user agent platform(s)** (used to evaluate web-based authoring tool user interfaces): provide the name and version information of the user agent(s).
   2. For **platforms that are not user agents** (used to evaluate non-web-based authoring tool user interfaces): provide the name and version information of the platform(s) (e.g., desktop operating system, mobile operating system, cross-OS environment) and the name and version of the platform accessibility service(s) employed.
6. A list of [**Web content technologies**](http://www.w3.org/TR/WCAG/#technologydef)**[produced](http://www.w3.org/TR/WCAG/" \l "reliedupondef" \o "definition: relied upon (technologies that are)) by the authoring tool that are included in the claim**. If there are any web content technologies produced by the authoring tool that are **not** **included** in the conformance claim, these must be listed separately.
7. If any success criteria are to be considered not applicable, an explanation is to be provided.

**Optional Components of a Conformance Claim**

In addition to the required components of a conformance claim above, consider providing additional information to assist authors. Recommended additional information includes:

* A list of success criteria beyond the level of conformance claimed that have been met.
* Information about any additional steps taken that go beyond the success criteria to enhance accessibility.
* A machine-readable metadata version of the conformance claim.
* A description of the authoring tool that identifies the types of editing-views that it includes.
* A description of how the ATAG 2.0 success criteria were met where this may not be obvious.

*Note 1:*Refer to [Understanding Conformance Claims](http://www.w3.org/TR/UNDERSTANDING-WCAG20/conformance.html#uc-conformance-claims-head) for more information and example conformance claims.