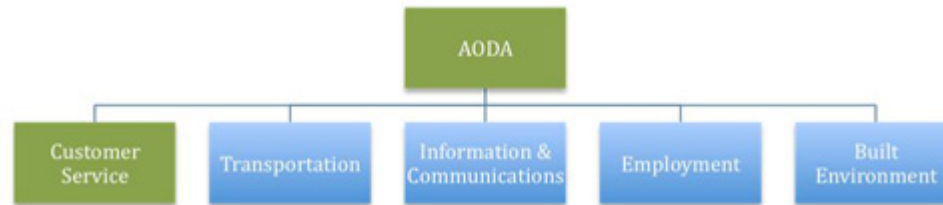


What is the status of the other new Accessibility Standards?

In 2005, the Province of Ontario passed a new law called the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005 (or, "AODA"). The AODA provides for the development and enforcement of accessibility standards. Under the AODA, businesses or organizations that do not comply with these standards could be fined up to \$100,000 per day.

There have currently been five standards developed under the AODA: (1) customer service; (2) transportation; (3) information and communications; (4) employment; and, (5) the built environment.



Currently, the Customer Service Standard is the only AODA standard to become law. The other four standards are in various stages of development. There could also be other standards developed under the AODA in the future.

The following table provides a status update on each standard. Click on the name of each standard for more information from the Ontario Ministry of Community and Social Services.

Standard	Status	Questions?
Customer Service	Regulation adopted as law (Ontario Regulation 429/07) Public sector organizations to comply by January 1, 2010 Private sector organizations to comply by January 1, 2012	Contact: rileya@cambridge.ca
Transportation	Released for public review in 2007 Submitted to Minister for consideration as law in 2009 Regulation could come forward at any time	Contact: rileya@cambridge.ca
Information & Communications	Released for public review in 2008/2009 Submitted to Minister for consideration as law in 2009 Regulation could come forward at any time	Contact: rileya@cambridge.ca
Employment	Released for public review in 2009 Submitted to Minister for consideration as law in October 2009 Regulation could come forward at any time	Contact: rileya@cambridge.ca
Built Environment*	Released for public review from July 14 to October 16, 2009 Standard Development Committee currently reviewing feedback received during public review period	Contact: rileya@cambridge.ca