Virtual Learning Environment Accessibility

We are committed to ensuring that this website is accessible to all of our visitors. The site works best using modern browsers like Chrome and Firefox. If you are using an older version of Internet Explorer (7 or older), the site will not display correctly, and some elements of the design & navigation may be compromised and limit your user experience.

What are we doing?

To help us make the Public Health Scotland Virtual Learning Environment a positive place for everyone, we've been using the Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (WCAG) 2.0. These guidelines explain how to make web content more accessible for people with disabilities, and user friendly for everyone.

The guidelines have three levels of accessibility (A, AA and AAA). We’ve chosen Level AA as the target for the Public Health Scotland Virtual Learning Environment.

Useful tips

You can further customise your experience by changing some of the following settings in your web browser:

Customising Internet Explorer

- Change text size - View > Text Size.
- Change colours and font style - Tools > Internet Options > Colours or Fonts.
- Disable images - Tools > Internet Options > Advanced > scroll down to Multimedia > untick the box labelled ‘Show pictures’.
- Disable JavaScript – Tools > Internet Options > Security > Custom Level > scroll down to Scripting > select Disable for Active Scripting.
Customising Firefox

- Change text size - View > Zoom > click on Zoom Text Only then go to View > Zoom > Zoom In (Ctrl++).
- Change colours and font style – Tools (Firefox) > Options (Preferences) > Content > Advanced and Colors.
- Disable images - Tools (Firefox) > Options (Preferences) > Content > untick the ‘Loads images automatically’ box.
- Disable JavaScript - Tools (Firefox) > Options (Preferences) > Content > untick the ‘Enable JavaScript’ box.

Customising Safari

- Change font size - page menu icon (Safari) > Zoom > click on Zoom Text Only then go to page menu icon (Safari) > Zoom > Zoom In (Ctrl++).
- Change font style or upload style sheet - settings icon (Safari) > Preferences > Appearance or Advanced.
- Disable images -settings icon (Safari) > Preferences > Appearance > untick the ‘Display images when page opens’ box.
- Disable JavaScript – (Safari) > Preferences > Security > untick the ‘Enable JavaScript’ box.

Customising Google Chrome

- Change font size - settings icon (Chrome) > Options (Preferences) > Under the Hood > Font Size.
- Change font style- settings icon (Chrome) > Options (Preferences) > Under the Hood > Customise Fonts.
- Disable images - settings icon (Chrome) > Options (Preferences) > Under the Hood > Content settings... > select ‘Do not show any images’.
- Disable JavaScript - settings icon (Chrome) > Options (Preferences) > Under the Hood > Content settings... > select ‘Do not allow any site to run JavaScript’.

Let us know what you think

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