



## Testing Accommodation – ADA Step 2 (Accommodation Request)

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The first step in accommodating individuals with disabilities is to determine coverage by the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). **You must have your service provider complete the *Testing Accommodation – ADA Step 1* form and either submit it with this form or prior to submitting this form. You do not need to provide a Step 1 form if you have submitted one within the past year.** The second step in the accommodation process is to determine whether an appropriate accommodation is possible.

The Commission's accommodation is determined on a case-by-case basis and depends upon a number of factors, including the reasonableness of the request, the characteristics of the employment test, and the essential functions of the job. Please provide the following information:

1. Name: \_\_\_\_\_
2. Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_
3. Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_
4. Test Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate below the accommodations that you are requesting. If you have questions, please contact \*\*\*\* at 614-365-\*\*\*\*. You may wish to discuss an appropriate accommodation with your primary care provider.

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Columbus City Schools may provide the accommodation you request, an alternative accommodation, or no accommodation at all. There is no assurance at this time that an accommodation in employment can be made. If your test results or your approval of the applicable minimum qualifications place you in an appointable range, and you receive an offer of employment, the appointing authority filling the vacancy will be required to work with you to attempt to accommodate your disability so that essential job functions can be performed. The appointing authority will determine the acceptability of the accommodation. In the event that you cannot perform the essential job functions, even with accommodation, you cannot be hired.

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This form outlines the procedures used by Columbus City Schools to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). In accommodating applicants with a disability, Columbus City Schools follows a two-step process of evaluating requests, as indicated below. If the individual with a disability is considered for appointment, there will need to be additional evaluation by the appointing authority.

### **1. Determination of disability according to the law.**

The first step in accommodating an individual under the ADA is to determine whether the person is affected by a medical or psychological condition that substantially limits a major life activity. The Commission requires the applicant to obtain a statement from a physician or psychologist that there is a disability, to define the disability, and to identify the major life activity affected by the disability.

Once an individual has established a disability, the Columbus City Schools will maintain a record of the disability for one year, and there will be no need to reestablish the disability during that time.

### **2. Determination of testing accommodation.**

Individuals who have established coverage under the Act may request accommodation for specific examinations. The candidate may suggest appropriate accommodation, or may enlist the assistance of his or her physician or psychologist. The Columbus City Schools' response to the accommodation request is determined on a case-by-case basis and depends on a number of factors, including the accommodation the candidate requests, the characteristics of the employment test, and the essential functions of the job.

### **3. Determination of employment accommodation.**

Individuals who have been accommodated in the testing process or have met the minimum qualifications of a noncompetitive classification, and are to be considered (certified) for employment, will be required to meet with representatives of the appointing authority (hiring department) to determine whether the individual can perform essential job functions. The applicant and appointing authority will discuss accommodations at that time. The certification of an individual does not guarantee employment, but an individual cannot be hired from an eligible list without being certified. If an individual cannot perform the essential functions of the position, he or she cannot be hired.