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Accessibility Overlays

What is it for?

Accessibility overlays are automated tools that promise a quick, effortless fix for web compliance.

While they detect basic errors like colour contrast, text size, and layout, they don't provide a complete solution. They can even introduce new barriers themselves, including inaccessible buttons and poor screen reader support.

To learn more, check out the Overlay Fact Sheet for a full explanation and feedback from real users.

How to support it

Simply - don't! Ensure that you're building accessibility into your designs and into your code, rather than relying on a 3rd party.

Useful Links

Siteimprove - Accessibility overlays
Overlay fact sheet