

SURAKU • Accessibility Criteria

Specifications for planning, construction and maintenance of accessible public areas in streets, parks, gardens and courtyards

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ACCESSIBILITY REQUIREMENTS	MEASUREMENTS	ITEMS REQUIRING SPECIAL PLANNING ATTENTION	PLANNING INSTRUCTIONS	COLOURS AND LIGHTING	MAINTENANCE REQUIREMENTS	
		See separate instructions				
1 SPECIAL LEVEL OF ACCESSIBILITY Pedestrian street milieus City centre areas with public facilities and services Areas surrounding institutions providing health care and services for the elderly and persons with a disability Areas with a lot of housing targeted at the elderly and persons with a disability Public transport terminals and areas surrounding public bus stops Special sports areas and playgrounds	900 500 70-100	Guidance paving flags Railings (guide railings)	Typeface size 25–40 mm, if access to signboard unobstructed; 70-100 mm, if signboard is looked at from a distance of 1-3 metres To avoid risk of collision, mount signboard on base whose front edge is flush with signboard Recommendation: place tactile information and Braille texts in maps and signboards horizontally at an angle at a height of 900 mm Recommendation: provide overhead covering for signboard Always consult specialists at the Finnish Federation of the Visually Impaired or at Finlands Svenska Synskadade	Sufficient colour contrast; minimum 50% tone difference between text and background, also between signboard and background Best legibility: combination of black and white Minimum lighting category K2 Good lighting; glare-free, even, sufficient Lighting where necessary	Free access to signboard (arm's reach) Guidance paving flags must remain readily recognisable Sufficient colour contrast must be maintained	
Accessible routes in						
recreational areas, etc.	RT Building Information Card 09-10884					
	RT Building Information Card 98-10565					
2 BASIC LEVEL OF ACCESSIBILITY						

