

ADA Lighting

In 1991, the United States government enacted the

Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), a law that requested the owners of publicly accessible areas to properly accommodate disabled persons.

ADA doesn't target lighting; however, it does impact fixture design by creating standards for the amount of wall sconce projection and hanging light clearance.

Specifically, section 4.4 of the **ADA**, states that:

“objects projecting from walls with their leading edges between 27 inches and 80 inches (2'4” to 6'8”) above the finished floor shall protrude no more than four inches into walks, halls, corridors, passageways or aisles.”

