WEB ACCESSIBILITY CHECKLIST

tructure & Semantics

- ☐ Use semantic HTML elements
- ☐ One clear H1 per page
- ☐ Proper heading hierarchy (H1–H6)
- ☐ Lists built with proper list elements
- ☐ Tables used only for tabular data with headers
- ☐ Landmark regions defined

Keyboard Accessibility

- ☐ All functionality usable with keyboard only
- ☐ Logical tab order
- ☐ Visible focus indicators
- ☐ No keyboard traps
- ☐ Skip-to-content link included

Color & Contrast

- [ ] Text contrast ratio meets WCAG standards
- [ ] Interactive elements meet contrast requirements
- [ ] Information not conveyed by color alone
- [ ] Links visually distinguishable

Images & Media

- [ ] Descriptive alt text for meaningful images
- [ ] Decorative images use empty alt attributes
- [ ] Captions provided for videos
- [ ] Transcripts available for audio
- [ ] No auto-playing media with sound
- [ ] Media controls keyboard accessible

Forms & Inputs

- [ ] Every input has an associated label
- [ ] Required fields clearly identified
- [ ] Clear and accessible error messages
- [ ] Errors programmatically associated with fields
- [ ] Field instructions provided before submission
- [ ] Accessible CAPTCHA alternative available

Responsive & Zoom

- [ ] Layout responsive across devices
- [ ] Text resizable up to 200%
- [ ] No horizontal scrolling at small widths
- [ ] Content does not overlap when zoomed

ARIA & Dynamic Content

- [ ] ARIA used only when necessary
- [ ] ARIA roles and states correctly implemented
- [ ] Dynamic updates announced to screen readers
- [ ] Modals manage focus correctly

Navigation & Interaction

- [ ] Consistent navigation across pages
- [ ] Descriptive page titles
- [ ] Descriptive link text
- [ ] Breadcrumbs used where appropriate
- [ ] Adjustable or removable time limits

Content & Readability

- [ ] Clear, plain language used
- [ ] Instructions not dependent on sensory cues
- [ ] Abbreviations explained
- [ ] No flashing or seizure-triggering content

Testing & Compliance

- [ ] Keyboard-only testing completed
- [ ] Screen reader testing completed
- [ ] Automated accessibility scan completed
- [ ] Manual accessibility review completed
- [ ] WCAG 2.1 AA standards met