



Step

## 2. Identify Presence of Limiting Factors

General Exception 2 (7.2.2)

Note: Sequence does not need to occur in the order shown.

\* A prominent feature between the trailhead and the trail's first limiting factor will attract people who may not use the whole trail. Consider constructing that section of trail in compliance with the technical accessibility requirements.

Substep

### A. Trail Grade

Trail grade plus cross slope exceeds 40% for 20 ft or more?

Yes

Document length of trail that exceeds 40%, location(s), and data source.

Does condition for exception exist?

Yes

Document condition for exception.

Is combined trail grade and cross slope so excessive that it is impracticable for the entire trail to comply with the technical requirements?

Yes

FSTAG does not apply.\*

File documented condition for exception. Notify U.S. Access Board.

No

FSTAG may still apply. Go to surface limiting factor.

Go to substep 2B.

Substep

### B. Surface

Surface is NOT firm and stable for 45 ft or more?

Yes

(Surface is NOT firm and stable.)

Document surface firmness, location(s), and data source.

Does condition for exception exist?

Yes

Document condition for exception.

Is surface so soft or unstable that it is impracticable for the entire trail to comply with the technical requirements?

Yes

FSTAG does not apply.\*

File documented condition for exception. Notify U.S. Access Board.

No

FSTAG may still apply. Go to minimum trail width limiting factor.

Go to substep 2C.

No

(Surface IS firm and stable.)

