INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

To: State Fire Marshal

From: GSFIC/State ADA Coordinator’s Office

Subject: Technical Assistance for Georgia Accessibility Code/2010 ADA Standards for Accessible Design

Date: June 2014 Revised

208 and 209 Parking and Passenger Loading Zones for scoping requirements
Section 502 and 503 for specific requirements for parking spaces

Question: Can curb ramps be provided within the access aisle serving adjacent accessible parking spaces?

Answer: No. Parking spaces, access aisles, and passenger loading zones are required to comply with Section 502 and 503. Section 502.4 specifically states that “Changes in level are not permitted”. In addition, access aisle must adjoin an accessible route, which means that if there is a curb ramp serving the parking space it must adjoin the access aisle and not be placed in front of the parking space.

However, it is possible to adjoin the access aisle and parking space to an accessible route if it is level with both. (See Section 208 and 209 for numbers of spaces required and other types or special facilities that carry additional space requirements such as medical care facilities. See Section 502 and 503 for specifics on parking space configuration and details)

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