

1194.22(m): Applets and Plug-ins

Applets and Plug-ins (cont)

■ Definition

- When a web page requires that an applet, plug-in or other application be present on the client system to interpret page content, the page must provide a link to a plug-in or applet that complies with §1194.21(a) through (l)

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■ Issue:

- Companies have developed proprietary file formats for transmitting and displaying special content
- Web browsers can read HTML and display it to the user but cannot display proprietary file formats without the associated plug-in or reader

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- Types of Proprietary formats
 - Adobe Acrobat: PDF
 - MS-Word: DOC
 - Excel: XLS
 - PowerPoint: PPT
 - Real Audio: MP3
 - Flash: SWF
 - Etc.

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- What to look for?
 - File formats other than TXT, RTF, and HTML
 - HTML Tags
 - <OBJECT>
 - <EMBEDDED>
 - <APPLET>
- Solution:
 - On every page where there is a proprietary format, provide a link to the plug-in or reader. You cannot put them in one central location and link to that page.