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Guidance for understanding and applying the ICC A117.1-2017 Standard.

1. INTRODUCTION TO THE STANDARD

The ICC A117.1-2017 Standard for Accessible and Usable Buildings and Facilities provides comprehensive technical requirements to ensure sites, facilities, buildings, and their elements are accessible to and usable by individuals with physical disabilities. This document serves as a guide to help users effectively navigate and apply the standard's provisions.

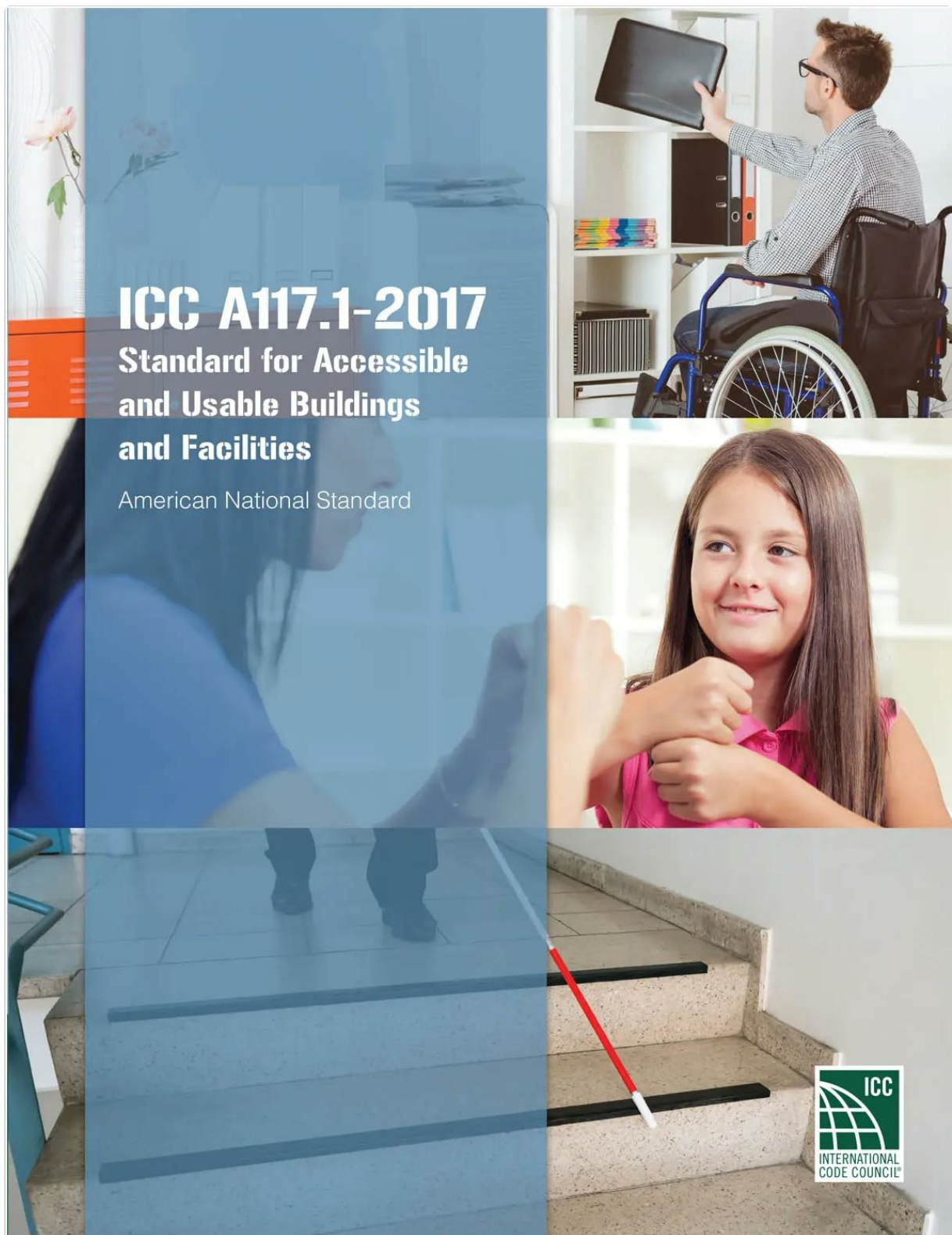


Figure 1: Cover of the ICC A117.1-2017 Standard document. This image displays the official publication, which includes the full text of the standard along with commentary and figures.

2. UNDERSTANDING THE STANDARD'S STRUCTURE

The standard is presented in an easy-to-use format, integrating the full text of the ICC A117.1-2017 requirements with corresponding commentary for each section. This structure is designed to provide clarity and context for the technical provisions.

- **Full Text:** Contains the complete technical requirements for accessibility.
- **Tables and Figures:** Visual aids and data tables that supplement the text, illustrating specific requirements.
- **Commentary:** Explanations that detail the background, intent, and practical application of each

requirement. This section is crucial for a deeper understanding.

3. EFFECTIVE APPLICATION GUIDELINES

To ensure proper implementation of the standard, consider the following guidelines:

- **Independent Access:** The primary intent is to enable individuals with physical disabilities to independently access, enter, and use any site, facility, building, or element.
- **Consult Commentary:** Always refer to the commentary for insights into the rationale behind specific provisions and for guidance on the most effective application methods.
- **Consequences of Non-Compliance:** The commentary also discusses potential issues that may arise if the standard's provisions are not followed correctly.
- **Target Audience:** This standard is a vital reference for facility professionals, building owners, architects, designers, and code officials.

4. PRODUCT SPECIFICATIONS

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5. SUPPORT AND FURTHER INFORMATION

As a published standard, this document does not come with a traditional product warranty. For official interpretations, clarifications, or updates regarding the ICC A117.1-2017 Standard, please contact the International Code Council (ICC) directly. They are the authoritative source for all inquiries related to the standard's content and application.

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