FOIAXpress

Visually Impaired Support



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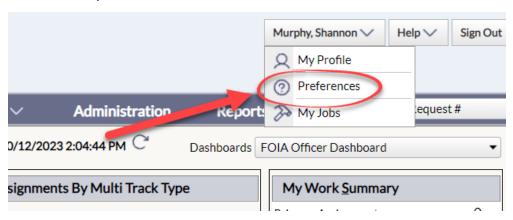
1 Support for the Visually Impaired

FOIAXpress offers tools to assist visually impaired and blind users in using the software. In this topic, we discuss recommended themes as well as JAWS support.

1.1 Recommended Themes

FOIAXpress includes several available visual themes for the application. For visually impaired users, we recommend using either the Outlook or Windows 10 themes, which offer high contrast and added usability. To change your theme, follow the steps below:

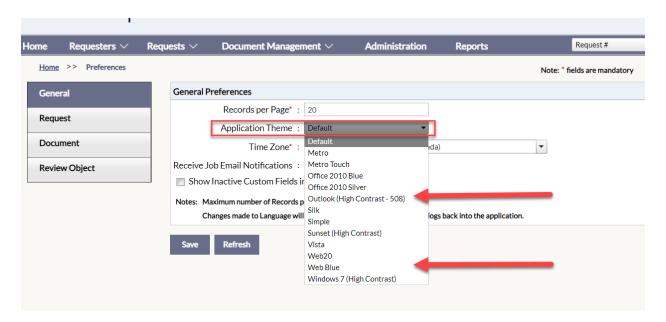
Click your User Menu and select Preferences.



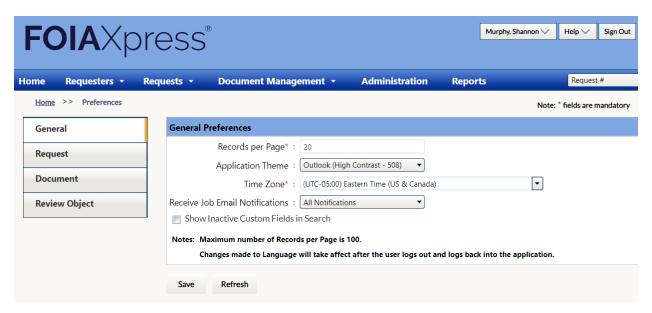
 User General Preferences, locate the Application Theme drop down. Here, you'll see the selections, including Outlook and Web Blue, as shown below:



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In the example below, we've selected the Outlook (High Contrast - 508) theme. The updated theme is shown below:





2 Using JAWS with FOIAXpress

2.1 Online Manual (508) Notification

The user is notified of the availability of the 508 compliant version of the Online Manual while the URL is loading, prior to being notified of FOIAXpress Action Options.

2.2 Asterisk Definition and Mandatory Field Notification

All asterisks are identified as wild card searches in search screens. Additionally, the user is notified.

2.3 Adding > Symbol to JAWS Dictionary

For JAWS to be able to accurately read the instructions in this manual, you need to add the > symbol to the JAWS dictionary.

(!!) Note: After performing the steps below, JAWS will be able to read the > symbol in your browser.

Perform the following steps to add the > symbol to the JAWS dictionary:

- 1. Press INSERT+F2 to open the list of JAWS managers.
- 2. Press **D** to move to Dictionary Manager, and press **ENTER** to open it. The browser dictionary file will open.
- 3. The **Add** button will be selected. Press **SPACEBAR** to activate the **Add** button.
- 4. Type the > symbol.
- 5. Press **TAB** to move to the **Replacement Word** edit field.
- 6. Type "Click".
- 7. Press **ENTER** to close the Add Dictionary Definition dialog box.
- 8. Press ALT+F4 to close the JAWS Dictionary Manager.
- 9. Answer "Yes" to save the changes.



2.4 Home Page and Outlook Bar Shortcut Keys

The Home Page and Outlook Bar shortcut keys are read aloud once the URL loads.

2.5 Home Page Shortcut Keys

Follow the steps below to reach/navigate the Help, Username, or Home pages from the Home Page.

Page	Steps	
Help	 Press ALT + L, and then press Enter to see the sub menus. Optional: To navigate the sub menus a. Press Insert + Z to turn off Virtual PC Cursor. b. Optional: Press the down, and up, arrow, and then press Enter to select the option. c. Optional: Press Esc to collapse the submenus 	
Username	 Press Enter to see the sub menus. Optional: To navigate the sub menus: a. Press Insert + Z to turn off the Virtual PC Cursor. b. Optional: Press the Down, and Up, Arrow keys, and then press Enter to select the option. c. Optional: Press Esc to collapse the submenus. 	
Home	 Press Insert + Z to turn off the Virtual PC Cursor. Optional: Press the right, and left, arrow to navigate the menu items, and the up, and down, arrow keys to navigate the sub menu options. Optional: Press Enter to select the option. 	

2.6 How to Read the Entire Page

Perform the steps below to have the whole page read aloud to the user:



Action	Steps
To go to the top of the page	Press Insert + Z to turn off the Virtual PC Cursor, and then press Ctrl + Home .
To Read the page in Sequential Order	Press Insert + Z to turn off the Virtual PC Cursor, and then press the down , and up , arrow keys.
To Read All Pages	 Press Insert + Z to turn ON the Virtual PC Cursor. Press Insert + Down Arrow.
To Read All "Pop Up" Screens	Press Insert + B.

2.7 How to Modify Items in a Table

You can manually select a row in a table, and then navigate to the toolbar to perform actions.

Action	Steps
To read the full row of a table/grid	 Press Insert + Z to turn ON the Virtual PC Cursor. Press the Ctrl + Down, or Ctrl + Up, Arrow keys.
To read one attribute of a row at one time	 Press Insert + Z to turn ON the Virtual PC Cursor. Press the Arrow keys.



Action	Steps	
To read just the edit links of each rows	 Press Insert + Z to turn ON the Virtual PC Cursor. Press the Tab key. 	
To edit a row	 Turn the PC cursor on. Press Tab until the row you want to edit is selected. Press Enter to go to the <i>Edit</i> screen. 	
To select a row and re-direct to the action bar	Press F10 + Alt + Access Key.	

2.8 Useful JAWS Keys

Additional useful JAWS keys are described below.

Action	Steps
To read the form title	Press Insert + T.
To open "Add" buttons (i.e. Add attachment, Add Logo, etc.)	Press the button that helps you accomplish your task, and then press the Spacebar .

