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Scsi's "Perfect 10" Web Site Standard - Best Practice #6: Every Web page's text viewing size selections remain under user control at all times.



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If text resizing is a Web browser-based menu selection, why not provide it to the user?

It amazes, amuses, and sometimes puzzles Scsi to see that high-end (read: many, many dollars of resources poured into them) Web sites do not conform to the "text-resizing-via-a-menu-selection-incorporated-within-the-Web-browser-itself" feature that users justifiably expect should always remain available should they ever want to change the currently-in-effect text size to something else -- for example, with Internet Explorer via a "View | Text Size | (Largest | Larger | Medium | Smaller | Smallest)" selection sequence.

Come on, Web site designers and testing personnel. Purposely overriding any obviously meant-to-be-implementable browser feature (in this case, a text resizing operation) is an example of neglecting user's "expected-to-be-available-because-it's-there" choices.

Quite frankly, Scsi feels that such actions are never justified as being in the best interests of users, and ignorance by the Web site personnel -- regarding how to properly implement the underlying source code so that no built-in features are ever blocked -- is never an acceptable excuse. That's one reason for having quality assurance and repeated testing cycles to make sure that things are working properly before releasing a product (in this case, a Web page) to users, isn't it? Furthermore, there is simply no excuse for letting these types of "going against the grain" decisions or their subsequent implementations occur in the first place.

How does Scsi handle the text resizing issue? Answer: Best Practice #6 provides it for any Web browser that supports such selections.

Why does this problem never happen on the Scsi P&KT Web site's pages? Because Scsi's underlying source code was properly written to successfully address provisioning of text resizing independent of browser type or version - - pure and simple.

You can observe the proper functionality for yourself -- using whatever Web page(s) you care to test within the sonoffconsulting.com domain. It's so very easy to do. Then use the same browser to visit another Web site -- even one of the "biggies" of Web sites -- to see the behavior for that Web site's page(s). If you make regular use


of Microsoft's Internet Explorer Web browser, for example, you'll likely find it easy to prove the following assertion, namely: Many other Web sites still continue to 'miss the boat' when it comes to meeting even such really basic usability factors as successfully executing a text resizing operation on demand.

Besides Best Practice #6, which of Scsi's "Perfect 10" Best Practices would you like to read about next?

- [Best Practice #1](#): Every Web page is [fast loading](#).
- [Best Practice #2](#): Every Web page is [viewable with any type of browser](#).
- [Best Practice #3](#): Every Web page incorporates meaningful, descriptive 'balloon help' text for every hyperlink (both text- and graphics-based).
- [Best Practice #4](#): Every Web page's navigation always remains under user control, thereby allowing use of any combination of keyboard, mouse, or other pointing devices as hyperlink selection tools.
- [Best Practice #5](#): Every Web page incorporates an integral and effective dual-domain search window.
- [Best Practice #6](#): Every Web page's text viewing size selections remain under user control at all times -- according to the particular browser tool's available selections.
- [Best Practice #7](#): Every Web page's contents will always automatically resize widthwise to fill the entire browser window -- no matter what screen resolution settings or window sizes are in effect at any time.
- [Best Practice #8](#): Every 'Print this page' operation automatically results in an intelligently word wrapped, truncation-free, black-on-white printout of that Web page's main body contents -- regardless of the page orientation and user-specified text size selection in effect at that time.
- [Best Practice #9](#): Every Web page incorporates readily accessible contact information.
- [Best Practice #10](#): Every Web page [validates](#) against the World Wide Web Consortium (W3C) specifications for Hypertext Markup Language (HTML), Cascading Style Sheets (CSS), and Web Accessibility Initiative (WAI) Content Guidelines (WCAG).

Web Page Validation and Contact Information

This Scsi's "Perfect 10" Web Site Standard - Best Practice #6: Every Web page's text viewing size selections remain under user control at all times Page was last updated, validated -- to assure full conformance to W3C's [XHTML 1.0 Strict](#), screen medium cascading style sheet ([CSS](#)), and [WCAG Accessibility](#) (Priorities 1, 2, and 3, inclusive) recommendations -- and uploaded on Monday, July 5, 2010 at 3:55 p.m. ET by [Raymond Sonoff](#), President of Sonoff Consulting Services, Inc., 271 Saxony Drive, Crestview Hills, KY 41017-2294 USA: Telephone: (859) 261-5908.

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