

FUNCTION	PRESENT	PAST / PERFECT
ABILITY (Physical, Skill, Availability)	Can ('t) Be able to	Could (n't)
PERMMISION REQUEST	May /Can Can /Could Shall / should	N/A (Not Applicable)
NECESSITY	Need to	Had to
LACK OF NECESSITY	Don't have to Needn't Don't need to	Didn't have to Needn't have + past participle
OBLIGATION (law)	Must Have to	Had to
PROHIBITION	Must not Can't	N/A
SPECULATION PROBABILITY	May (not) Might (not) Could Can't	May+ have+ past participle(modal perfect) Might + have +past participle (modal perfect) Could+ have + past participle (modal perfect) Can't have + p.p (Couldn't)
LOGICAL DEDUCTION	Must Can't	Must have + p.p Can't have + p.p Couldn't have + p.p
ADVICE	Should (not) Had better (not) Ought to	Should have + p.p Had better have + p.p (dead English) Ought to have + p.p
PREFERENCE	Would like (to) Would prefer Would rather	Would have liked Would have preferred Would rather have