

Bridging South Dakota

Overlap of terms between Service Animal and Assistance Animal*



American with Disabilities Act (ADA) term

Must be a dog or miniature horse

Must be <u>trained</u> to perform tasks to assist the individual with their disability

Psychiatric service animals are <u>not</u> emotional support animals

Service Animal is allowed to go where members of the public go

Cannot be asked to provide proof of disability or certification of service animal status



A Fair Housing Amendments
Act (FHAA) term which
overlaps somewhat with
Service Animal

Works, provides assistance, or performs tasks for the benefit of a person with disabilities, such as:

- Guiding individuals who are blind or have low vision
- Alerting people to impending seizures
- Providing protection or rescue assistance

Emotional Support Animal

Primarily a Fair Housing Amendments Act (FHAA) term listed under Assistance Animal

Only applies to housing

Can be any species

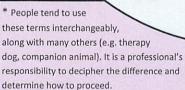
Not trained to provide a specific service

Does what animals do naturally to comfort their owners

Housing provider may ask for documentation from an individual asking for a reasonable accommodation for an assistance animal when it is not clear what the disability or the assistance being provided is







Did you know? A **therapy dog** is trained to provide comfort and affection to people in hospice, disaster areas, retirement homes, hospitals, nursing homes, schools and more. Unlike an assistance animal, which is meant to help one person instead of many.

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