

# Service Animals

Businesses are **required** to give service animals entry with their owner.

A service animal can only be excluded from a business if it poses a direct **threat** (behaving viciously) or **health risk** to other people.

The individual may stay without the service animal.



A service animal is trained to perform a task for its owner.

Animals that provide emotional support are **not** considered service animals.

Service animals are **not** pets.  
Pets are **not** allowed in a facility.

## What questions can you ask?

**Is this animal a service animal?**

**What tasks is the animal trained to perform?**

Note: Individual is not required to show documentation.



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