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Rights of veterans with assistance dogs



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Veterans with an accredited assistance dog are allowed to access public places and transport.

Accredited assistance dogs are not pets. These dogs are a highly trained support service that allows a veteran to safely participate in personal and public activities.

While there is currently no national standard within Australia to identify accredited assistance dogs, it is unlawful to deny entry of an assistance dog.

The *Disability Discrimination Act 1992* (Cth) outlines the rights of those with assistance animals for individuals with disabilities, including mental health conditions.

For more information, visit the DVA website dva.gov.au/dogs or call **1800 VETERAN** (1800 838 372).