Service Animals & Visitation



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Service animals may accompany people with disabilities into Washington Department of Corrections properties provided they follow all guidelines.

Guidelines:

- The animal may not be noisy or aggressive.
- The animal cannot interact with anyone besides the handler.
- The animal must accompany the handler at ALL times.
- The animal must stay off the furniture.
- The handler must keep the animal under control at all times.
- The animal cannot be fed or receive snacks.



Pets

Pets are not allowed on Washington Department of Corrections properties. No Exceptions.

You may be asked:

- Is this service animal required because of a disability?
- What work or task has the animal been trained to perform?

If your animal is
engaging in inappropriate or
disruptive behavior such as wandering
around, barking, eating, or nipping/biting, you
may be asked to remove the service animal
from the grounds and the staff may not
authorize the handler to return to
visiting that day.

It is a civil infraction to falsely represent a pet as a service animal and may result in a fine of up to \$500

Local rules on dog licenses and vaccinations can be applied to service dogs



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