

BP 3440 Service/Assistance Animals

References:

The Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 -- 42 United States Code Sections 12101 et seq.; 28 Code of Federal Regulations Part 35; 28 Code of Federal Regulations Part 36; 34 Code of Federal Regulations Part 104.44(b) ORS 659A.143

In order to prevent discrimination on the basis of disability, Rogue Community College will allow an individual with a disability to use a service animal in RCC's facilities and on RCC's property in compliance with state and federal law.

Oregon law refers to "Assistance" animals rather than "Service" animals. This policy and accompanying AP 3440 uses the federal term "service" animal.

A "service animal" is defined as a dog that is individually trained to do work or perform tasks for people with disabilities (includes physical, sensory, psychiatric, intellectual, or other mental disability.) The task(s) performed by the dog must be directly related to the person's disability.

A "companion animal" is defined as an animal that provides emotional support, comfort or companionship, and requires no formal training. Companion animals are not considered service animals under state or federal law.

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