



UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO

Service Animal Registration Form

Purpose

This form may be completed in order to register a service animal that is routinely present on a University of Toronto campus, and that cannot be readily identified based on visual indicators.

Although completion of this form and registration of the animal is optional, the advantage of registering a service animal is to minimize the need for the service animal owner/handler to produce documentation regarding a service animal. Individuals who have registered their service animal with the University will receive an easily-identified TCard indicator, which will assist in notifying others that their animal qualifies as a service animal under the *Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA)*.

Students are encouraged to complete this form together with the assistance of a campus accessibility services office, and staff and faculty should complete the form together with the University's Health & Wellbeing Programs & Services. Individuals who complete this form should inform the relevant office of any future changes in circumstances in relation to their requirement to be accompanied by a service animal.

For the University's general rules around service animals, please see the *Service Animals on Campus Guideline* at uoft.me/serviceanimals.

Defining service animals

Some service animals may be readily identifiable as a result of visual indicators worn by the animal that indicate that the animal is being used by a person "for reasons relating to that person's disability". An example of such a service animal might be a guide dog with a vest or harness, which is trained to work with a blind person and which has the qualifications outlined in provincial laws (such as the Ontario's *Blind Persons' Rights Act*).

In other cases, identification of a service animal through visual indicators may not be possible. In such instances, under the AODA, an animal, including an emotional support animal, will qualify as a service animal when a person provides documentation from one of the following regulated health professionals, confirming that the person requires the animal for reasons relating to the disability:

- A member of the College of Audiologists and Speech-Language Pathologists of Ontario.
- A member of the College of Chiropractors of Ontario.

- A member of the College of Nurses of Ontario.
- A member of the College of Occupational Therapists of Ontario.
- A member of the College of Optometrists of Ontario.
- A member of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario.
- A member of the College of Physiotherapists of Ontario.
- A member of the College of Psychologists of Ontario.
- A member of the College of Registered Psychotherapists and Registered Mental Health Therapists of Ontario.

Supporting documentation

In order to facilitate a discussion about the presence of a service animal, supporting documentation from one of the above-listed Ontario regulated health professionals will be required for registration. Such documentation should include the following information:

- Name of health professional, name of their regulated health profession body in Ontario, and registration number with that body;
- Name of the individual being accompanied by the animal;
- Written confirmation that the named individual requires a service animal for reasons relating to a disability; and
- Species of the service animal required (eg. dog).

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Service Animal being registered:

Animal name: _____

Species: _____

Service Animal Owner/Handler Contact information:

Owner/handler name: _____

Student/employee number: _____

Address of owner's/handler's University Office or University Residence:

Owner's Home Phone: _____ Work: _____ Cell: _____

Emergency contact name: _____

Emergency contact home phone: _____ Work: _____

Cell: _____

Animal Health status:

The Ontario Veterinary Medical Association recommends the administering of two sets of core vaccines, one for dogs and one for cats. This includes the rabies immunization, a legal requirement under the *Health Protection and Promotion Act*.

Animal has all veterinary recommended vaccinations based upon provided documentation:

Yes:

No:

Student Residence, Labs and Placements

Will you be accompanied by your service animal in any of the following environments?

University of Toronto Student Residence: Yes _____ No _____

Student Residence Name and address:

Campus: _____

Note: a follow-up conversation will take place with you and University residence staff to discuss location-specific reasonable standards for a well-behaved pet regarding behaviour, noise, odour and waste, and unreasonable disruptions. This conversation will aim to ensure a seamless integration of you and your service animal into residence life.

Will you be in areas that may pose health or safety risks for your animal throughout the academic year (such as a laboratory or medical clinic)?

Yes _____

No _____

Course Coordinator(s) or Supervisor(s) name & email for activity conducted in lab or clinic:

Will you be engaged in any off-campus course-related placements arranged by the University?

Yes _____

No _____

Placement Coordinator name & email:

Note: Registration of the service animal with the University does not preclude the requirement for additional conversations with the placement provider regarding the presence of the service animal.

AGREEMENT

By signing this form, I _____,
agree that the behaviour and presence of the service animal:

- will meet reasonable standards regarding behaviour, noise, odour and waste, and;
- will not create unreasonable disruptions for members of the University community.

I have reviewed the University of Toronto's Service Animals Guideline.

I agree that, when on campus, as the owner/handler of the service animal, I am solely responsible for the supervision of the service animal. This will normally involve ensuring control through appropriate restraint methods as necessary, and the keeping of the animal in close proximity to me. Service dogs, unless otherwise permitted, should be kept on a leash, as per municipal requirements.

I also understand that service animal access on our campuses may be restricted for reasons that include health and safety requirements set out in law, health and safety concerns of or threats to others, location-specific safety requirements, or restrictions on certain types of animals under municipal laws. These exceptions will be reviewed with the Advisor or Consultant, and are described in detail at uoft.me/serviceanimals

Signatures

Service Animal Owner/Handler Signature

Date

Advisor Name (please print)

Advisor/Consultant Signature

Date

Notification on How Your Information Will Be Used: Accessibility services and Health & Wellbeing Programs and Services respect your privacy and keep your personal information confidential. Information may be shared with university staff but only to bring the best resources to assist you in facilitating supports, and only on a need-to-know basis to perform their duties and to provide disability-related accommodations on campus.