

Disability Rights Nebraska

Protection and Advocacy for People with Disabilities

Service Animal / Emotional Support Animal

COMPARISON CHART

Comparison Points	Service Animal	Emotional Support Animal
Definitions	Trained to do work or perform specific tasks for people with disabilities	Provide emotional support for people with disabilities
Applicable Federal Laws	Americans with Disability Act of 1990 Air Carrier Access Act Fair Housing Act	Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 Air Carrier Access Act Fair Housing Act
Type of Animal	Dog or Miniature Horse	Any Animal (with some exclusions)
Must be Certified or Registered	No	No
Must Carry Documentation*	No	No
Travel in Cabin of Airplane	Yes	Yes
Live in No-Pet Housing	Yes	Yes
Travel on Public Transportation	Yes	No
Able to have in Public Places	Yes	No
Must Wear Vest Identifying the Animal	No	No

*** Under the ACAA and FHA, documentation may be required**