

Addendum to PLC House Rule #30 (Part 2)

Allowing Service Dogs into the Building
Adapted June, 2014

A service dog is not considered to be a pet. Under The Fair Housing Act, the definition of a service dog is one who provides aid, comfort or support to a person with a disability.

Under The American Disabilities Act, service dogs will be permitted into the building, providing that they meet the following criteria:

If a resident is eligible to receive a service dog, documentation must be provided. This must include a description of the disability and the need for the dog's assistance. (For example, letters from doctors or therapists describing the disability and explanations as to how the animal will help the individual.) The letters will be reviewed by members of the Board of Directors and by the PLC lawyer.

In addition, a service dog will be admitted into the building if the owner can show a license or certification by the state or local government, or from a state-approved service dog training facility, indicating that the dog has successfully completed the training.

Please note that service dogs may be excluded from the building when the animal's behavior poses a direct threat to the health and safety of the other residents.