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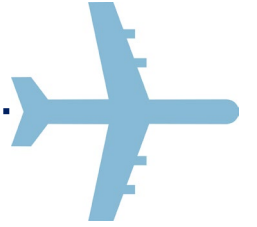
Animals on Airplanes



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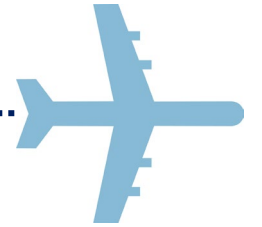


PHL *Access for All* program



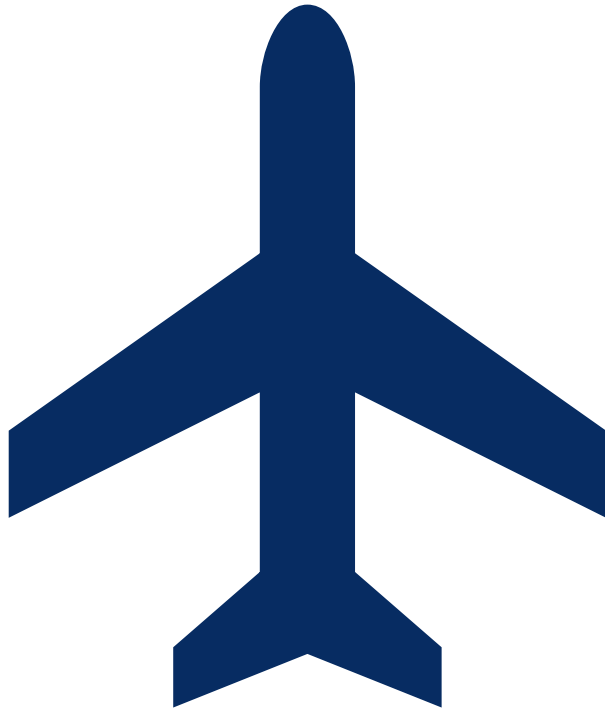
This story is part of the *Access for All* program for people with disabilities at the Philadelphia International Airport (PHL). This program can be used to assist you when you are flying to or from PHL.

The Air Carriers Access Act (ACAA) applies on the Airplane.



The Air Carriers Access Act (ACAA) is a law that provides rules to the airlines about what takes place on airplanes as it relates to people with disabilities. The law provides penalties if the airlines fail to follow the rules.

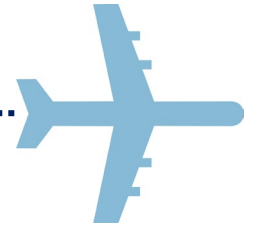
A service animal is a dog that has been trained to do work or perform tasks to assist with a disability.



Some of the assurances you will provide to the airline are:

- Dog has been trained to behave.
- Dog remains under the control of its handler.
- Dog does not bite, bark, jump, lunge, or injure people or animals.
- It does not go to the bathroom indoors inappropriately.
- If dog shows that it has not been properly trained to behave, the airline may treat as a pet.

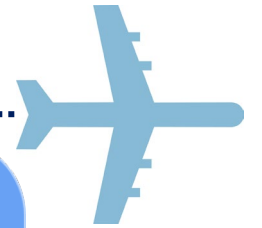
Airlines can ask two questions about service animals.



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



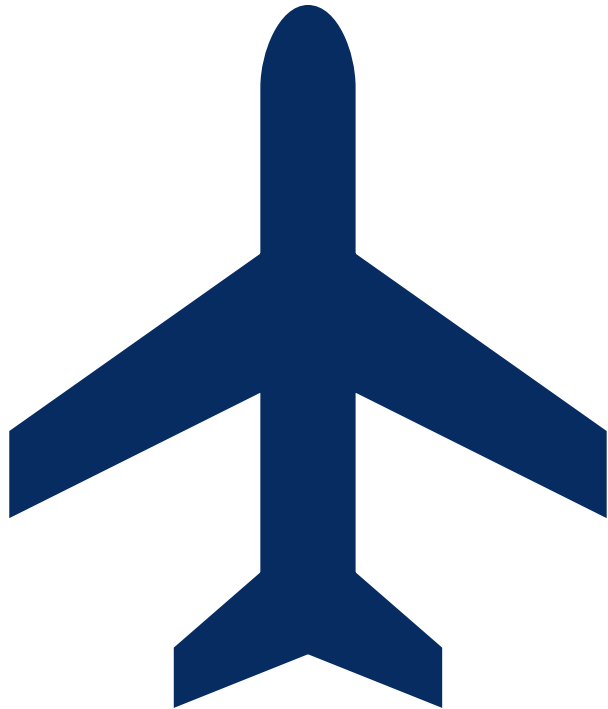
Service animals can be denied if they do not behave or are not under the control of the handler.



If the dog is not under the control of their owner or is not housebroken. A single bark would not be grounds for denial, but a dog that will not respond to owner's commands to stop barking would be.

Any accommodation request can be denied if there is an undue burden, direct threat, or the if request would cause a fundamentally alteration.

Service animals must be securely leashed or in a carrier while in the aircraft or in airline-controlled spaces.



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One form is used whenever you are flying with a service animal no matter how long the flight will take. The form can be obtained from U.S. Department of Transportation Service Animal Air Transportation Form



U.S. Department of Transportation Service Animal Air Transportation Form

Air Animal Handler's Name _____ Phone _____
 Air Animal User's Name (if different from Handler) _____ Phone _____
 Air Animal Handler's E-mail _____ Animal's Name _____
 Address of the Animal (including zip code) _____
and Health

_____ is vaccinated for rabies. Date of last vaccination _____ Date vaccination expires on the dog _____
 (Insert Animal's Name)
 To my knowledge, _____ does not have fleas or ticks or a disease that would endanger people or other animals.
 (Insert Animal's Name)
 Veterinarian's Name (signature not required) _____ Phone _____
and Training and Behavior

_____ has been trained to do work or perform tasks to assist me with my disability.
 (Insert Animal's Name)
 Name of Animal Trainer or Training Organization _____ Phone _____
 (Insert Animal's Name) _____ has been trained to behave in a public setting.
 (Insert Animal's Name)
 I understand that a properly trained dog remains under the control of its handler. I understand that a properly trained dog does not act aggressively by biting, barking, jumping, baying, or snipping people or other animals. It also does not urinate or defecate on the person(s) it is in the path of.
 I understand that if _____ shows that it has not been properly trained to behave in public, then the airline may treat
 (Insert Animal's Name) _____ as a pet by charging a pet fee and requiring _____ to be transported in an FAA-approved pet carrier.
 (Insert Animal's Name) (Insert Animal's Name)
 To the best of my knowledge, _____ has not behaved aggressively or caused serious injury to another person/dog.
 (Insert Animal's Name)
 If you cannot check the box above, please explain _____

U. Statements
 I understand that _____ must be harness, leashed, or tethered at all times on the airport and on the aircraft.
 (Insert Animal's Name)
 I understand that if _____ causes damage, then the airline may charge me for the cost to repair it, as long as the airline would also charge passengers without disabilities to repair the similar kinds of damage.
 (Insert Animal's Name)
 I am signing an official document of the U.S. Department of Transportation. My answers are true to the best of my knowledge. I understand that if I knowingly make false statements on this document, I can be subject to fines and other penalties.
 (Insert Animal's Name)

Airlines require forms for service animals.

Another form is only used on flights that are longer than eight (8) hours. The form can be obtained from [United States Department of Transportation Service Animal Relief Attestation Form.](#)



The image shows a form titled "U.S. Department of Transportation Service Animal Air Transportation Form". It includes sections for "General Information", "Health", "Training and Behavior", and "Attestation". The form is designed to be filled out by a handler or a representative of the handler, providing details about the animal, its training, and its behavior on flights. The form is a standard document used by airlines to ensure the safety and well-being of service animals during air travel.

U.S. Department of Transportation Service Animal Air Transportation Form

See Animal Handler's Name _____ Phone _____

See Animal (User's Name, if different from handler) _____ Phone _____

See Animal Handler's Email _____ Animal's Name _____

Signature of the Animal (including weight) _____

Health

_____ is vaccinated for rabies. (Date of last vaccination) _____ (Date vaccination expires on the dog) _____

(User's Name) _____

To my knowledge, _____ does not have fleas or ticks or a disease that would endanger people or other animals. (User's Name) _____

Veterinarian's Name (signature not required) _____ Phone _____

Training and Behavior

_____ has been trained to do work or perform tasks to assist me with my disability. (User's Name) _____

Name of Animal Trainer or Training Organization _____ Phone _____

_____ has been trained to behave in a public setting. (User's Name) _____

I understand that a properly trained dog remains under the control of its handler. I understand that a properly trained dog does not act aggressively by biting, barking, growling, baying, or injuring people or other animals. If other dogs act hostile or defensive on the ground or in the gate area.

I understand that if _____ shows that it has not been properly trained to behave in public, that the airline may treat _____ as a pet by charging a pet fee and requiring _____ to be transported in an FAA-approved pet carrier. (User's Name) _____

To the best of my knowledge, _____ has not behaved aggressively or caused serious injury to another person/dog. (User's Name) _____

If you cannot check the box above, please explain: _____

Attestation

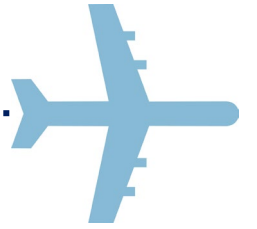
I understand that _____ must be licensed, trained, or certified at all times on the airport and on the aircraft. (User's Name) _____

I understand that if _____ causes damage, then the airline may charge me for the cost to repair it, as long as the airline would also charge passengers without disabilities to repair the similar kinds of damage. (User's Name) _____

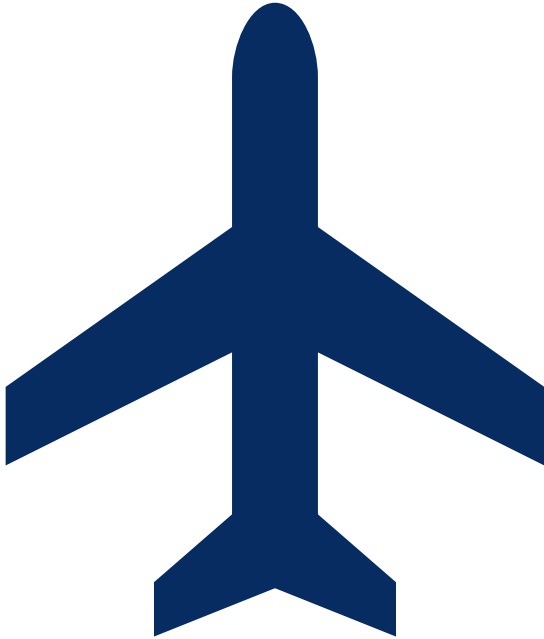
I am signing an official document of the U.S. Department of Transportation. My signature is true to the best of my knowledge. I understand that if I knowingly make false statements on this document, I can be subject to fines and other penalties. (User's Name) _____

Signature of the Animal Handler _____

The airlines are required to assist individuals in completing the forms if needed.

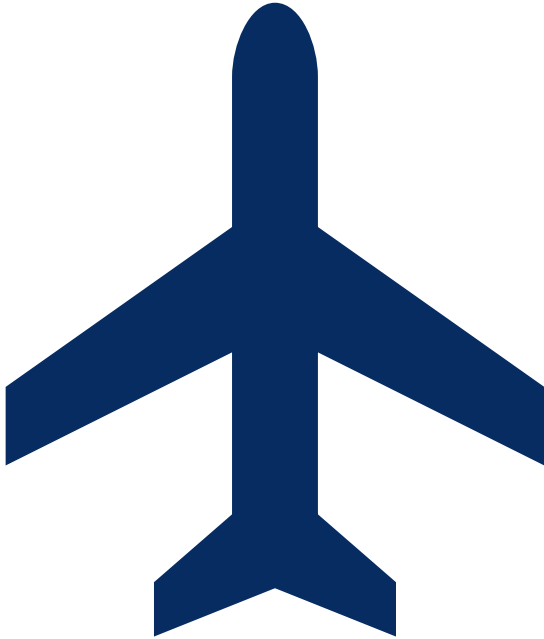
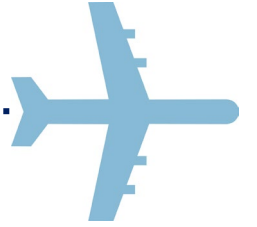


A pet is not a service animal.



A pet is not a service animal, you will follow various pet policies and the animal will not be covered by the Air Carriers Access Act or the Americans with Disabilities Act.

Airline pet policies are determined by the Airlines.



Airline pet policies dictate if pets can fly in the cabin. Please read the airline's webpage to understand the pet policy. Contact the airline with questions.

Want more info?



You can learn more about accessibility at
PHL by visiting
<https://www.phl.org/about/accessibility>

— Saron McKee

PHL Director of Access and Accessible Programs



Thank you!



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