



**Australian Government**  
**Department of Agriculture,**  
**Fisheries and Forestry**

***Assistance dog training form***

The Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry (department) collects your personal information in relation to this application as required under the *Biosecurity Act 2015* (Cth) for the purposes of assessing your application to import an assistance dog to Australia and related purposes. If you fail to provide all of the relevant personal information requested in this application, the department may be unable to process your application. The department may disclose your personal information to other Australian government agencies, State or Territory government agencies and other persons or organisations where necessary for the above purposes, provided the disclosure is authorised under the *Biosecurity Act 2015*. Your personal information will be handled in accordance with the *Australian Privacy Principles* and the *Biosecurity Act 2015*. See the department's [Privacy Policy](#) to learn more about accessing or correcting personal information or making a complaint. Alternatively, email the department at [privacy@aff.gov.au](mailto:privacy@aff.gov.au).

*This form must be completed by a recognised assistance dog organisation as described below.*

The Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry requires that institutions for assistance dog training are members of the International Guide Dog Federation (IGDF) or Assistance Dogs International (ADI). Alternatively, the dog may be accredited under a law (including public transport legislation or regulations) of an Australian State or Territory that provides for the accreditation of animals trained to assist a person with a disability to alleviate the effect of the disability.

This form is required as supporting evidence for your client's application to the department for a permit to import an assistance dog.

Please complete this form in full.

<b>HANDLER'S NAME</b>															
<b>ANIMAL DETAILS</b>		<b>NAME:</b>						<b>BREED:</b>							
<b>MICROCHIP NUMBER</b>															
		<b>AGE:</b>						<b>FEMALE</b>		<b>MALE</b>		<b>DESEXED</b>		<b>ENTIRE</b>	

1.	Has your organisation trained the dog described above to assist a person with a disability to alleviate the effect of the disability?	YES	NO
	Please record the dog's most recent assessment/certification date.	(dd/mm/yyyy)	
2.	Was an assistance dog licence or certification issued to the handler? <i>If yes, please attach a copy of the dog's current licence or certificate.</i>	YES	NO
3.	Is the dog accredited under a relevant Australian State or Territory law? <i>If yes, please attach a copy of the dog's current accreditation.</i>	YES	NO
3.	Has the dog been in the continuous service of the handler for at least six months prior to export to Australia? <i>If no, how long has the dog been in the handler's service?</i>	YES	NO
4.	What is the nature of the dog's training? GUIDE <input type="checkbox"/> HEARING <input type="checkbox"/> SERVICE/ASSISTANCE <input type="checkbox"/>		
Please explain how this differs from the role of a pet dog and why this client's dog should be recognised as an assistance dog:			
5.	Please provide details of the internationally recognised standards to which the dog has been trained:		

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6.	Has the dog been trained to meet standards of hygiene and behaviour that are appropriate for an animal in a public place? (e.g. completion of a Public Access Test; confirmation that dog has requisite skills e.g. responds to commands; shows non aggressive behaviour in public)	YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>	
7.	Please provide any additional information the department may find helpful in evaluating your client's application: <i>(additional documentation may be attached)</i>		
<b>DOG TRAINER'S NAME</b>			
<i>The Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry is unable to accept certification of a guide, hearing or assistance dog if the trainer is also the person with a disability who relies on the dog. Independently issued evidence must be provided.</i>			
<b>TITLE/QUALIFICATIONS</b>			
<b>ORGANISATION NAME</b>			
<b>ADDRESS</b>			
<b>TELEPHONE NUMBER</b>			
<b>EMAIL ADDRESS</b>			
The assistance dog training institution named above is a member of or accredited by one of the following: <i>Evidence of this membership/recognition must be attached.</i>			
1.	Is a member school of The International Guide Dog Federation (IGDF)	<input type="checkbox"/>	
2.	Is a member school of Assistance Dogs International (ADI)	<input type="checkbox"/>	
3.	Is an institution accredited under relevant Australian State or Territory legislation Provide details:	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>DOG TRAINER'S SIGNATURE</b>			<b>DATE</b> (dd/mm/yyyy)