

5771 SERVICE OR ASSISTANCE ANIMALS

- 5771.1 Participants in DCHA programs, including RAD/PBV projects, with disabilities are permitted to have service or assistance animals, if such animals are necessary as a reasonable accommodation for their disabilities. RAD/PBV participants or applicants, who need a service or assistance animal as a reasonable accommodation must request the accommodation in accordance with the reasonable accommodation policy set forth in this chapter.
- 5771.2 Residents who have a service or assistance animal residing with them at any DCHA-owned property prior to May 1, 2005, must file a request for a reasonable accommodation and otherwise comply with the requirements in this Chapter prior to July 1, 2005.
- 5771.3 Participants at any PBV/RAD property who are approved to have a service or assistance animal as a reasonable accommodation may keep the animal provided they comply with the following requirements:
- (a) Register the animal with the property manager;
 - (b) Update the registration for the animal annually;
 - (c) Provide proof the animal has been vaccinated in accordance with applicable local law;
 - (d) Execute a lease addendum providing for the proper care and maintenance of the animal and the unit occupied by the animal in accordance with the RAD/PBV project rules; and
 - (e) Continuously provide the proper maintenance and care for the animal and assure that the animal does not otherwise impair the peaceful enjoyment of the property by other residents.

SOURCE: Final Rulemaking at 64 DCR 12956 (December 22, 2017); as amended by Final Rulemaking published at 66 DCR 6831 (June 7, 2019).