

WHAT MAKES A THERAPY ANIMAL DIFFERENT?



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	THERAPY ANIMAL	ASSISTANCE ANIMAL	EMOTIONAL SUPPORT ANIMAL
Primary role is to benefit many people.	✓	✗	✗
Primary role is to support one individual.	✗	✓	✓
Okay to approach and pet in public places.	✓	✗	✗
Has been evaluated to be tolerant of a wide variety of environments.	✓	✓	✗
Able to live in housing with "No Pets" policies.	✗	✓	✓
Special rights of access in public such as stores, restaurants, and airplanes.	✗	✓	✗

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*Assistance animals include service, hearing, and guide dogs.