

Patriot Assistance Dogs

Foster- Activities Encouraged for Service Dogs and Activities Not Allowed for Service Dogs

Activities Encouraged for Service Dogs:

- Treat a new dog almost like a puppy. The dog should be supervised on a leash or crated until he/she displays trustworthy behavior in the house. This is fundamental for building good habits before they have the chance to develop bad ones.
- Dogs learn best in short sessions so build multiple training times/exercises into your daily routine. Fifteen minutes is all it takes to provide a good session. Take time to correct undesirable behaviors as they occur. Do not wait for the next training session.
- Similarly, provide at least two opportunities for exercise each day. Allow the dog approximately 30 minutes of rest prior to feeding and ample time to digest after each meal to avoid GI distress.
- Have fun! Practice snuggling, make training a game, discover activities that your PAD dog enjoys, and don't forget to balance training with praise and motivation.

Activities Not Allowed for Service Dogs:

Your foster/service dog is not allowed to do the following:

- Be off leash when working or training in a public area
- Be off leash outdoors unless immediately supervised in a securely fenced in area
- Be on furniture in a public setting
- Ride in an open pickup box or trailer; ride with head out window or sunroof
- Engage in wrestling or tug games with a human; may do so with other dogs

Dietary Restrictions:

- No table scraps or human food/ No feeding from the table
- No animal bones of any kind
- Approved, high quality dog food and treats only

Prohibited Toys:

- No leather, rawhide, pig ears, etc.
- No stuffed toys for tearing apart or toys with small pieces that may be pulled off and ingested
- No shoes, socks, or clothing-based items- old or new

Confinement:

- May not be tied outside unsupervised
- May not be kenneled outside when no one is home
- May not be kenneled outside overnight
- May not be left free in the house when no one is home

Foster/Handler _____ Date _____

PAD Representative _____ Date _____