

## **Companion Dog Application**

Companion Dogs improve quality of life for adults and children living with disability or illness. Their friendship and ability to assist with certain tasks can provide relief and reassurance to those identified by Guide Dogs Tasmania as suitable for placement.

Guide Dogs Tasmania has a high success rate of placing Guide or Assistance Dogs. Those not deemed suitable as Guide Dogs are considered for roles as Companion Dogs.

Companion Dogs do not have public access rights.



## **Companion Dog Application**

If completing this form for someone under the age of 18 please provide parent/guardian details where applicable.

Date:
Applicant's name:
Date of birth:
Residential Address:
Phone number: (M) (H) (H)
Email:
Names and ages of household members: (For additional household members, please add to a page overleaf or attach another sheet to this application.)
Name: Date of birth:
Do you, or anyone in your household, have a disability? 🔲 Yes 📗 No
If yes, please provide a summary below, and email any additional information to info@guidedogstas.com.au (i.e. supporting medical documentation, referrals etc.)
Please describe your household / lifestyle (e.g. quiet, active, busy) and the types of activities the dog would be involved in:

Please list household member occupations and hours worked per week:
Approximately how many hours each day would the dog be left on its own?
What are your expectations of a Companion Dog? (i.e. what role do you wish for it to fulfill; specific tasks you wish it to provide support with etc)
Do you understand that a Companion Dog does not have public access rights?  Yes No
Would you consider an older/retired dog?
Are you an experienced dog owner? Yes No  If yes, can you please give us a brief overview of your experience?
Do you currently have a dog?
Neutered: Yes No
Where does your dog sleep?
Does your dog spend time indoors? Yes No
How often do you walk your dog?

Has your dog attended obedience classes? <b> Yes No</b>
Is your dog regularly wormed and vaccinated? Yes No
Do you have any other pets / livestock? Yes No
If yes, please provide details:
Please provide a description of your home (i.e. rural, residential townhouse, grass areas, secure entrance etc.)
Do you own your home or are you renting?
If you are renting, do you have approval from your landlord to have a dog live with you at the property?   Yes  No
Is the property adequately fenced (dog proof)?
What is the material / type of fence?
What is the height of the fence?
Can you commit to supporting a dog with health issues (financially and practically)?  Yes No
Please note: A fee will be incurred for the purchase of a Companion Dog, which will be assessed at time of matching. Wait-list times can vary and are dependent on availability of dogs and suitability of applicants.

Please complete and return all pages of this form to Guide Dogs Tasmania Email: info@guidedogstas.com.au

In Person: 164 Elizabeth St Hobart TAS 7000

Post: Att: Guide Dog Services, PO Box 82 North Hobart 7002