

# How to Define Service Animals in New Legislation



July 31st is the deadline to submit comments to the Dept. of Justice on how to define service animals in new legislation designed to protect the rights of disabled individuals. The key question: Exactly what kind of training and characteristics should be required for an animal to qualify as a service animal?

July: Public consultations continue on [proposed changes to OHS laws](#) affecting:

- Occupational health
- Joint health and safety committees
- First aid
- Sanitation and accommodations
- Personal protective equipment
- Excavation and trenching
- Blasting safety
- Confined spaces
- Surface mines
- Occupational diving.