

Florida Guide Dog Protection Act

Florida law guarantees a blind person the legal right to be accompanied by a specially trained guide dog in buses, airplanes, stores, restaurants and any other place to which the public is generally invited. Florida law also guarantees a guide dog user the legal right to equal accommodation in all housing. No extra fees can be levied because of the dog's presence, but the guide dog user is liable for any property damage the dog might cause. Landlords are not required to modify the premises, nor are they responsible for maintaining a higher standard of care than that provided to other tenants.

FLORIDA Statutes, Section 413.08



Drivers Must Yield to Blind Persons

The primary traveling aids for a blind person are often a white cane or a trained guide dog. Independent travel involves some risk that can be greatly reduced when you, the driver, are aware of the use and meaning of a white cane or guide dog. Drivers must always yield the right-of-way to persons who are blind. When a pedestrian is crossing a street or highway guided by a dog or carrying a white cane, vehicles must come to a complete stop.

Florida Driver's Handbook (HSMV 1902)

[Click Here](#) for link to Americans with Disabilities Act Commonly Asked Questions About Service Animals in Places of Business. USDOJ, Civil Rights Division, Disability Rights Section Explains the requirements of the ADA regarding animals that accompany and provide services for a person with a disability.



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