

SERVICE ANIMALS – Definition, Policies, and Procedures

Skull & Roses supports the rights and attendance of all persons with disabilities that rely on the special skills of a trained service animal. What we DO NOT support, nor will tolerate, are pets being misrepresented by their owners as service animals, when in fact they are not. So please, don't do it. Leave your pet at home. We mean it!

Service Animal Definition:

A 'service animal' means "any dog that is individually trained to do work or perform tasks for the benefit of an individual with a disability. The work or tasks performed by a service animal must be directly related to the handler's disability."

Emotional support, comfort, or therapy animals are not considered service animals under the ADA and therefore are not allowed at Skull & Roses.

Please note that all service dogs, including those from out of state are subject to local dog ordinances, which includes a **valid rabies certificate**.

Service Animal Policies:

For our patrons with disabilities who wish to bring their legitimate service animal to Skull & Roses, we ask that you review and follow the policies outlined below:

1. Service animals must be accompanied by the handler with the disability at all times.
2. Service animals must be under the control and supervision of their handler at all times.
3. Service animals are not permitted to be left in camp unattended under any circumstances.
4. Handlers are required to be prepared for, and clean-up after, their animals at all times.
5. We reserve the right to remove and/or refuse access to any service animal from the campgrounds or venues if that animal is deemed to be a health or safety threat to festival patrons, staff, or other service animals, or in violation of these policies.
6. All service animals must be credentialed by the Skull & Roses staff (see the procedures below).

SERVICE ANIMAL PROCEDURES:

All patrons with disabilities attending Skull & Roses this year with a service animal will need to have that animal credentialed by Skull & Roses access staff before entering the main gate. This process will be performed quickly and respectfully by our Accessibility Staff.

What will you need to do? Once you arrive at Skull & Roses, let staff with a radio know you have a service animal. They will contact the access staff. Access staff will speak with you, and evaluate your service animal. If approved access staff will record your contact information, and provide a collar tag for your service animal. Then you are good to go! Security/Staff will be on the lookout this year for all animals to have a properly credentialed Skull & Roses collar tag.

Remember, service animals are allowed, all other dogs are not!