

# Service Dog Application Process



Guide Dogs  
of America



Tender Loving  
Canines

**1 DETERMINE ELIGIBILITY**  
Visit website to complete prequalifying questionnaire & watch informational video.



**2 ONLINE APPLICATION**  
Prequalified applicants complete and upload service dog application and required documents.



**3 VIDEO AND FORMS**  
Upload video and deliver required forms. Designated contacts return required reference and medical history forms.



**4 PERSONAL INTERVIEW**  
When application packet is complete, applicant will be contacted for a personal interview with one or more individuals on our client services team. Interviews may be completed virtually, in-person or both.



**5 SELECTION REVIEW**  
If selected, applicants will be invited to join the Pre-Approved Student Pool.



**6 STUDENT POOL**  
Pre-approved applicants will be placed in our Student Pool until paired with a service dog in training.



**7 TEAM TRAINING**  
Invitation to Team Training will be offered when a student has been paired with a dog ready for placement. Notice is given approximately 4-8 weeks prior to in-person training on campus.



The application process for a guide or service dog varies from client to client but typically can take anywhere up to 6 months.

The wait time to receive a service dog can take up to 2 years.