A service animal assisting an individual with a disability policy.

For purposes of this policy, a service animal is defined as a dog that is individually trained to do work or perform tasks for the benefit of an individual with a disability, including a physical, sensory, psychiatric, intellectual or other mental disability. Other species of animals, whether wild or domestic, trained or untrained, are not service animals.

The service animal must be under the control of its handler. Where it is not readily apparent that an animal is a service animal as defined by the ADA, the Library may ask if the animal is required because of a disability and what work or task the animal has been trained to perform.

Requests for modification or exception under this policy are determined by Carbondale City Library Board of Trustees through a written request and review process.