## **Service Dog Information**

The Oregon Country Fair follows the ADA guidelines to make reasonable modifications for persons with a disability to have a Service animal accompany them at the Fair. Under the ADA, a service animal is defined as a dog that has been individually trained to do work or perform tasks for an individual with a disability. The task(s) performed by the dog must be directly related to the person's disability. Emotional support, therapy, comfort, or companion animals are NOT considered service animals under the ADA and are not allowed on site at the fair. In addition, if a service animal is out of control and the handler does not take effective action to control it, staff may request that the animal be removed from the premises, in accordance with ADA rules and regulations. For more information on this, please visit: https://www.ada.gov/regs2010/service\_animal\_qa.html

If you are considering bringing a service animal on-site during the fair, we encourage you to talk to your crew leader or booth representative about the safety and feasibility of having a service animal accompany you while you are volunteering. Once on-site, please inquire with the Dog Control Crew about getting a laminate (tag). The laminate allows other fair staff to readily identify that we have already talked with you about your service animal. Laminates are available starting on the Tuesday before the fair at the Dog Control Crew camping area, and during limited hours at the Service Dog Rest Area. Identification is not required, but you both will have a much better time if we can clearly see this is a service dog and no additional intervention is required.

The fair can be an overwhelming place even for some trained animals. We appreciate your patience as our staff provide you with extra information and services that will help you, and those without animals, to enjoy an exciting fair experience! Feel free to contact the Dog Control Crew Coordinators for additional assistance or questions.