

## AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL KENNEL COUNCIL LTD POLICY STATEMENT

## **USE OF DOGS**

## FOR ASSISTANCE AND SERVICE

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The Australian National Kennel Council Limited and its Member Bodies strongly support the training and use of dogs to provide assistance and service to humans.

Dogs provide such valuable services as Seeing Eye Dogs, Hearing Dogs, Therapy Dogs, Handicapped Assistance Dog and for Drug Detection, Bomb Detection and Arson Detection as, Search and Rescue Dogs and as workers in the rural industry.

The ANKC believes that responsibly bred purebred dogs are the best sources for selection of pups for use as Assistance and Service dogs due to their more predictable temperament and physical characteristics as adults.