

EMOTIONAL SUPPORT ANIMALS

According to the Fair Housing Act (FHA) landlords cannot legally deny you from renting a dwelling with your emotional support animal, provided you have a valid ESA letter. A certificate does not suffice.

Timberview Properties fully complies with these laws and expects its applicants/ tenants to do the same by becoming familiar with the requirements and process of housing an ESA.

The below information was pulled from the ESA Registration of America's website.

Texas ESA housing laws (the Fair Housing Act)

Owners must file a proper request for accommodation and show your ESA letter to live with their ESA. In general, with the right paperwork, your ESA should be allowed to stay with you as long as they are needed. You may want to check your town's specific rules too just to be on the safe side, as there may be variations to the rules.

The Fair Housing Act protects people with disabilities and mental challenges who need to be assisted by emotional support animals.

Do You Qualify for an ESA Letter in Texas?

To succeed in acquiring an emotional support animal (ESA) letter, you must prove that you have a psychological disorder like depression, PTSD, anxiety, or OCS. You need to have a well-written letter from a licensed mental health professional (LMHP, like a psychiatrist, therapist, or psychologist).

The letter should demonstrate that the presence of your emotional support animal is necessary for your emotional and mental well-being.

Requirements for ESA Qualification Letter

Here are the conditions that your ESA qualification letter must meet:

- Should include the mental health professional's letterhead, with name and contact information.
- Include the license number, license type, issuing state, and the date of license of the mental health doctor.
- Should also include the signature of the doctor and date.
- You must also show proof that you have mental conditions and show that the condition prevents you from undertaking daily life tasks.

Timberview Properties wants to ensure that our applicants and tenants have a simple transition as they apply for housing. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact us.