



Dog Control (Certifying Organisations for Disability Assist Dogs) Order 2010

Anand Satyanand, Governor-General

Order in Council

At Wellington this 22nd day of November 2010

Present:

His Excellency the Governor-General in Council

Pursuant to section 78D of the Dog Control Act 1996, His Excellency the Governor-General makes the following order acting—

- (a) on the advice and with the consent of the Executive Council; and
- (b) on the recommendation of the Minister of Local Government (having consulted the Minister for Disability Issues).

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Order

1 Title

This order is the Dog Control (Certifying Organisations for Disability Assist Dogs) Order 2010.

2 Commencement

This order comes into force on the 28th day after the date of its notification in the *Gazette*.

3 Interpretation

In this order, **disability assist dog** has the meaning given in section 2 of the Dog Control Act 1996.

4 Organisations that may certify dogs as disability assist dogs

The following organisations are organisations that may certify a dog as a disability assist dog:

- (a) Assistance Dogs New Zealand;
- (b) Perfect Partners Assistance Dogs Trust.

Rebecca Kitteridge,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Explanatory note

This note is not part of the order, but is intended to indicate its general effect.

This order, which comes into force 28 days after its notification in the *Gazette*, specifies Assistance Dogs New Zealand and Perfect Partners Assistance Dogs Trust as organisations that may certify dogs as disability assist dogs (as defined in section 2 of the Dog Control Act 1996). Under section 75 of that Act, a disability assist dog accompanying and assisting a person with a disability, or accompanying a

person genuinely engaged in the dog's training, may enter and remain—

- in any premises registered under regulations made under section 120 of the Health Act 1956; or
- in any public place.

Assistance Dogs New Zealand trains dogs to assist people, particularly children, with autism. Perfect Partners Assistance Dogs Trust trains dogs to assist people who suffer from seizures and other medically diagnosed disabilities, including autism, diabetes, neurological conditions, and psychiatric conditions.

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This order is administered by the Department of Internal Affairs.
