

# Types of Working Animals

IN AUSTRALIA



Some examples of Working Animals include:

- Assistance Animals
- Therapy Animals
- Search and Rescue
- Tracking and Trailing
- Security and Guarding
- Detection Animals (usually used in government departments to detect bombs, drugs, contraband, water leaks or COVID-19 infection, or used in conservation to detect native or invasive species)
- Education Animals (often used in schools to help students to meet educational goals, such as learning to read)
- Animals used in Education (housed by universities, schools or registered training organisations for the purposes of educating students in a career, e.g. agriculture or veterinary schools)
- Herding Animals (usually stock horses, or dogs that herd cattle or sheep)
- Animal Actors (employed in movies, theater or advertising)

THE WORKING ANIMALS FEDERATION OF AUSTRALIA (WAFA)  
CURRENTLY PROVIDES VOLUNTARY ACCREDITATION FOR ASSISTANCE  
AND THERAPY ANIMALS, HOWEVER, ACCREDITATION FOR OTHER TYPES  
OF WORKING ANIMALS ARE UNDER DEVELOPMENT IN OTHER AREAS.

