

Training Course for Animal Control Professionals
Hosted by the Cuyahoga County Animal Shelter
June 9-12, 2025
Valley View, Ohio



June 9 - \$175 per student or \$700.00 for the whole week

8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Basic Animal Control Officer Investigations: This course will detail the role of the Animal Control Officer in performing investigations and to identify the common types of investigations and the variations between them.

Sovereign Citizen's: A frightening trend confronting law enforcement, including animal control, involves individuals claiming exemption from the laws of the land. These persons pose a serious threat to officer safety and unique challenges to enforcement action. Students will be exposed to the tactics, philosophy and actions of this movement including how to identify involved individuals.

Challenging Encounters in Animal Control: This class covers strategies for dealing with everything from activists to elected officials with stops for "hoarders", animal welfare groups and administrators. Students will be provided with ideas on how to safely and effectively interact with a variety of persons in the animal realm.

Understanding the ADA and Service Animals: This training provides background, knowledge and understanding relating to the Americans with Disabilities Act, Service Animals and state laws related to control and licensing for these animals. The course will help clarify and define the roles of ACO's and Law Enforcement within the scope of their employment.

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Officer Safety and Protection – This course will offer an understanding of the principles of officer safety.

Interpersonal Communications: For Animal Control professionals, communication skills are the most important of all the skills necessary to succeed in our profession. This training offers practical tools and strategies for improving an ACO's verbal and nonverbal communication skills.

June 11 - \$175 per student or \$700.00 for the whole week

8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Canine Behavior and Aggressive Dogs: This course will offer Animal Control Officers a basic understanding of dog behaviors in a field environment and offer ideas on handling aggressive dogs.

Safe Animal Handling/Capture and Restraint Equipment: This practical course focuses on the animal species commonly handled by ACO's, injury prevention, dangers and risks, capture and restraint methods, equipment, safe loading and transportation.

June 12- \$225.00 per student or \$700.00 for the whole week

Baton/Bitestick Certification – The Baton/Bitestick Certification program is a hands-on program regarding the use of the tactical baton (bite stick) as a defensive tool to provide an Animal Control Officer with non-lethal force for dealing with aggressive animals and humans. The course will familiarize the Animal Control Officer with the practical use of the friction-lock and lever-lock baton. The training and instruction will cover the following topics: Safety; Legal Concepts; Use of Force Options; Documentation; Portation (mode of carry); and Practical Use and Retention of the ASP™ baton. The course includes both classroom and practical training.

Class Location – Cuyahoga County Animal Shelter 9500 Sweet Valley Drive Valley View, Ohio 44125 Need directions? Please call Debbie Conway at 216-525-4811 or Jose Ortiz at 216-348-3839

The Training Course for Animal Control Professionals costs just \$700.00 for all four days (single day registration fees are listed above). To register, please complete and submit the attached registration form or visit www.accacademy.net (click on the "course calendar" link). Questions? Contact ACCA at 937-825-6709 or via e-mail at mkumpf@accacademy.net. Upon registration, you will receive a confirmation letter via e-mail.

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