## Training Course for Animal Control Professionals Hosted by the Humane Society of Carroll County August 15-16, 2024 Westminster County, Maryland



August 15 - \$175 per student

8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Canine Behavior and Aggressive Dogs – This course will offer ACO's a basic understanding of dog behaviors in a field environment, to include: Assisting ACO's to recognize and respond to hazardous situations associated with dangerous or potentially dangerous dogs; Providing instruction in the principles of dog communication and in the tools, techniques and equipment that can be used to avoid, repel or handle aggressive dogs; Understanding the general characteristics of common dog bite scenarios; Identifying the presence of dogs on a property and the techniques for making such a presence known; Develop an understanding of the different forms of canine aggression; Understanding the different methods in which dogs communicate aggression or friendly moods and intention; Understanding techniques for minimizing personal injury in the event of an attack; Becoming familiar with resources to assist in officer-related animal bites. Stress Management/Compassion Fatigue - This course will discuss the impact of stress, to include offering methods on how to minimize or eliminate certain stressors commonly affecting animal control/care workers. The course offers stress "tests" to students for completion in class; defining industry-common stressors; an explanation of positive and negative stress; details on how the human body reacts to stress and the impact of long-term stressors; an explanation of the categories of stress; defining factors in how we handle stress as it relates to age, gender, and other factors; and understanding the suggestions/changes for handling stress as it relates to animal control/care workers.

August 16 - \$225 per student

8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

**Chemical Immobilization Certification** – Chemical Immobilization offers an alternative to the use of lethal force in response to animals that represent a danger to the public. This course will certify officers to chemically immobilize commonly-encountered animals, such as dogs, wildlife, exotics and agriculture animals. Humane techniques and methods, drugs and delivery devices, and deployment protocol (what qualifies an animal for chemical immobilization) will be discussed. This course includes both classroom and practical training.

## **Class Location**

Carroll County Public Safety Training Center, Room 208/210, 50 Kate Wagner Road, Westminster, MD 21157. Need directions? Please call Michelle Fidler at 717-451-1457 (texting is acceptable).

The Training Course for Animal Control Professionals costs just \$400 for both days (single day registration fees are listed above). To register, please complete and submit the attached registration form or visit <a href="https://www.accacademy.net">www.accacademy.net</a> (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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