

Schedule of Training

Day 1

Animal Crime Scene Photography, Videography and Sketching; Obtaining and Executing Search Warrants; Animal Hoarding Investigations

Day 2

Livestock and Exotic Animal Investigations; Evidence Law and Collection

Day 3

Basic Animal Control Officer Investigations; Canine Behavior and Aggressive Dogs; Stress Management/Compassion Fatigue; Diversion: Alternative Enforcement Programs

Each Day: 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM
Lunch — on your own

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The ACCA Training Course costs just \$450 for the complete 3-day course (single day registration fees are listed on the next page). You may pay for this training program either with an Agency Check, Personal Check, Purchase Order or Credit Card.

To obtain a registration form for this course, please visit:
www.accacademy.net

Questions? Contact ACCA via phone at 913-515-0080 or email: jmays@accacademy.net

Upon registration, you will receive a confirmation letter via e-mail.

Class location: Harrison County Government Center, 245 Atwood Street, Corydon, Indiana 47112. Need directions? Please call 812-738-8241.



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**Training Course
for Animal Control
Professionals**

July 20-22, 2021

Corydon, Indiana



Registration for all 3 days, \$450.00

Day 1 - Single Day Tuition, \$150.00

Animal Crime Scene Photography/Videography/Sketching –

Because animal laws are becoming more complex and courts and lawyers are demanding more evidence, animal crime scene investigation is becoming more important. This is a basic course designed to provide an understanding of the equipment, basic techniques and basic principles involved in conducting crime scene photography, videography, and sketching of animal crime scenes.

Obtaining and Executing Search Warrants – In this block of instruction we will discuss the history and legal basis for search warrants, search warrant applications, the warrant itself, and the warrant return. We will discuss the common property legal descriptions, curtilage and areas to be searched. In addition, we will discuss the basic steps in executing a search warrant and provide examples of search warrants used in several states.

Animal Hoarding Investigations – During this course, we will address the typical types of animal hoarders, mental health concerns associated with animal hoarders, physical health concerns for humans and animals in a hoarder environment, and service agencies that might be available to assist hoarders. We will also discuss the primary methods of intercedence, challenges associated with hoarder cases such as the volume of animals and the costs associated with mass animal impoundment of hoarder animals. We will discuss the psychology of animal hoarding, investigating hoarding allegations, MASS Animal impounds, and methods of reducing recidivism.

Day 2 - Single Day Tuition, \$150.00

Livestock and Exotics Cases – During this block of instruction we will focus on strategies for the capture, restraint, and handling of large animals such as cattle and horses as well as exotic animals, such as snakes and other reptiles. We will discuss the Use of Force Continuum as it applies to capture, restraint, and handling of animals, large animal equipment and preparation planning and animal and officer safety. Lastly, we will discuss investigative techniques commonly used in livestock or exotic animal neglect or abuse investigations and livestock or exotic animal exhibit inspections.

Evidence Law and Collection – The key to a successful outcome in any animal-related investigation is the recognition and collection of evidence. This course will discuss the importance of numerous types of evidence and to identify, process, and preserve the crime scene and items of evidence found in them. The course will demonstrate the challenges that are faced when presenting veterinary and animal crime scene evidence in a court of law. The goal is to help students with the process of collecting/presenting evidence, and to learn how to avoid some of the common mistakes.

Day 3 - Single Day Tuition, \$150.00

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 variations between them. Participants will become familiar with scene assessment and the common tools and resources used in investigation procedures and case development. Complaint procedures, interview techniques and the types of forms and reports used for documentation will also be explained.

Canine Behavior and Aggressive Dogs – Within the United States, about 4.5 million people are bitten each year by dogs. Almost 1 in 5 of those victims require medical attention from their dog bite injuries. In the 14-year period of 2005 through 2018, dogs killed 471 people. These are staggering statistics and it takes responsible dog owners and public education and awareness about dog bites in order to prevent these needless attacks. 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.

Diversion: Alternative Enforcement Programs – Integrating additional enforcement strategies can strengthen and improve Animal Control operations. This course offers students a variety of innovative ideas that provide revenue enhancement, improved license compliance and alternatives to traditional citations. These are not replacements for existing programs, but rather they are additions that generate positive results.