Training Course for Animal Control Professionals Hosted by West Des Moines Animal Control August 18-20, 2025 West Des Moines, Iowa



August 18 - \$175 per student/\$500 for all 3 days

8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Canine Behavior and Aggressive Dogs – This course will offer ACO's a basic understanding of dog penaviors in a neig 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; and more.

Courtroom Testimony and Report Writing – This block of instruction will focus on courtroom preparation and testimony; courtroom professionalism and dress standards/appearance; and how to write fact-based, unbiased, clear, grammatical reports.

Sovereign Citizens - Students will be exposed to the tactics, philosophy and actions of the movement known as Sovereign Citizens, including how to identify involved individuals.

Community Cooperation: Outreach and Education - This instruction offers tips, guidelines and information on developing and speaking for a variety of functions and organizations. Students will work on creating and presenting to the group to get firsthand experience in dealing with diverse community agencies.

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Investigative Techniques for Cruelty and Neglect Complaints – Students in this course will learn techniques to improve their ability to investigate and prepare cases regarding cruelty and neglect situations encountered in the field. Students will also learn how to differentiate between a situation that is correctable with education and when situations require enforcement action.

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Understanding the "Link" in Animal Abuse - This training provides background, knowledge and understanding relating to the interdisciplinary connection among animal abuse, child, elder and spousal abuse, and domestic violence.

Evidence Law and Collection - 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.

Diversion – Alternative Enforcement Programs - This course offers students a variety of innovative ideas that provide revenue enhancement, improved license compliance and alternatives to traditional citations.

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.

<u>Class Location</u> – 8850 Grand Avenue West Des Moines, IA 50266 Need directions? Please call Corey Hamilton at 515-222-3364.

The Training Course for Animal Control Professionals costs just \$175 per day or \$500 for all three 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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