

HOME OFFICE WILDLIFE TRAINING COURSE

This three day course, accredited by the Universities Training Group (UTG), is the first in the UK to focus on research in wild mammals and birds in the field and in captivity.

Developed by APHA, the training course is designed to equip attendees with the knowledge to fulfil the statutory requirements of the Home Office with respect to the Animals (Scientific Procedures) Act (A(SP)A). The act requires that a licence needs to be gained if carrying out any procedure that may cause harm or distress to an animal. An accredited training course must be successfully completed before the licence can be granted.

Topics include:

- Licences and legislation
- Wildlife studies Inc. health and safety, PODE's, diseases in wildlife

Supply of animals - obtaining animals from the wild, closed seasons, legislation

Wild animal handling and restraint in the field - live trapping by species

Moving and holding wildlife - captive handling, husbandry, enrichment and welfare, recognition of pain and distress

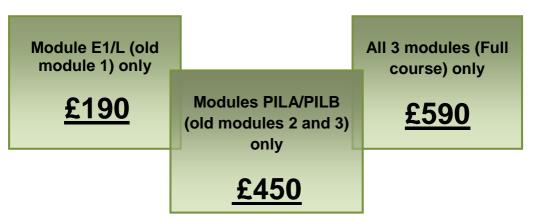
- Conduct of minor (non-surgical) procedures
- Introduction to anaesthesia and analgesia in the relevant species
- Release of animals back to the wild



With such a wide array of species that the training could cover, the tutors taking the course tailor the content to the audience whenever possible, and representative species are chosen to demonstrate techniques.

The course is designed to fulfil Home Office training requirements for individuals to gain a personal licence with respect to the A(SP)A. The course is also highly relevant to those who have previously gained a licence and who wish to build upon their knowledge, specifically for those working with wildlife in both regulated and non-regulated environments.

Prices:



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