



Loose Livestock, Injured Wildlife and Humane Euthanasia for 1st Responders

Target Audience: First Responders including law enforcement, firefighters, paramedics, animal control, fish and game wardens, fairgrounds & animal event management

Objectives: To provide animal event managers, first responders and others who organize events with large animals with the necessary background to safely and effectively respond to various loose livestock scenarios. These include approach to loose livestock in public places, animal associated motor vehicle accidents and injured wildlife situations utilizing ICS/NIMS/SEMS/Unified Command principles. The course describes and gives examples of multi-agency emergency responses to individual animals or populations including large and small herds. Participants are taught: 1) knowledge of behavioral responses of livestock and injured wildlife in emergency scenarios 2) methods of approach and containment of loose livestock in public places and roadways 3) introduction to use of chemical restraint by darting for livestock or injured wildlife 4) an introduction to animal law statutes which may apply in abandoned animal, owner absent scenarios with catastrophic injuries requiring humane field euthanasia, 5) scene assessment and resource acquisition for first on the scene of an livestock or injured wildlife event. Indications for and methods of approved euthanasia are instructed for application in field situations.

Prerequisite Training: ICS 100, 200 and 700

Field Exercises: Includes a demonstration of relevant anatomy and humane euthanasia methods using laser triggered positioning sensors on farm animal and wildlife anatomical manikins, and a demonstration and discussion of dart gun projectors and pole syringe.

Course Description: Classroom 5 hours followed by 3 hours of field exercises