

Humane Euthanasia by Injection General Course Description

Location: Santa Fe Animal Shelter, 100 Caja Del Rio, Santa Fe, NM, 87507

Cost is \$125 per student - classes will be held throughout 2017
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Class Schedule: The training course is divided into an initial 8 hour session followed by a 4 hour session (the next day). The first day will include presentation of the course manual as well as viewing of an informational powerpoint. The second day is a practical, hands on session. A review and a final exam will also be performed. For those who may fail the initial exam (given on the first day of instruction), a retest will be administered on the second day of training. Class will start promptly at 9 AM so please plan your arrival accordingly. Restaurants close to the facility are limited, so a sack lunch is the best option (a fridge and freezer are available for use).

Class Synopsis: In this euthanasia class, we will show that through proper technique and use of available tools the majority of animal and technician discomfort can be minimized while performing this task. Even though we must euthanize animals, we can do our best to ensure that animal's stress level is minimized and it is handled in a humane and respectful fashion throughout the entire process. Through education and training, we aim to empower euthanasia technicians.

Among other things, the course will cover the history of euthanasia, acceptable methods of euthanasia, controlled drugs, animal handling, venipuncture, drug dosages, body language, routes of administration, zoonotic diseases and safety. There will also be a hands-on, practical portion where all students will practice venipuncture on animals under general anesthesia and witness euthanasia by injection first hand. We will also include a brief tutorial on the application process and will have a notary on-hand for those who wish to assemble the application during class. All application fees will be the responsibility of the employing agency.

Applicants wanting to complete the application at the tutorial should come prepared with a copy of a federal or state issued ID (for proof of age) as well as a copy of their high school or college diploma. Having these items on hand will facilitate completion of the application.

Prerequisite: Prior to arriving for the class, each student must review the "Rules and Regulations" of the Animal Sheltering Board, which can be found using these links:

<http://www.nmcpr.state.nm.us/nmac/parts/title16/16.024.0002.htm>

<http://www.nmcpr.state.nm.us/nmac/parts/title16/16.024.0003.htm>

<http://www.nmcpr.state.nm.us/nmac/parts/title16/16.024.0004.htm>

These rules must be reviewed in order to pass the required jurisprudence exam. This exam must be passed with a grade of at least 80% in order for the Animal Sheltering Board to grant your application for licensure.

**The Santa Fe Animal Shelter curriculum is approved by the
NM Animal Sheltering Board**