

# Animal Management Professional Certification Programme Intermediate Elective: Community Animals- Dog Module

## Programme Objectives

After attending the programme, learners should be able to:

- Minimise distress of dogs during trapping operations and safeguard animal welfare;
- Conduct dog trapping operations competently while ensuring public and personnel safety;
- understand the use and impact of different capture techniques and equipment for dog trapping.

## Programme Structure

- This is a blended programme with pre-recorded lectures, physical hands-on session as well as online assessment.
- Your total time commitment for the programme is approximately **8 hours**.

### Pre-recorded lecture



**4 to 8 July 2022**  
(Asynchronous)

**3 hours 30 mins**

### Theory Assessment



**12 July 2022**  
10am to 11am

**1 hour**

### Hands-on & Oral Assessment



**14 July 2022**  
9am to 1:30pm

**4 hours 30 mins**

## Notes

- You are expected to complete the pre-recorded videos prior to attending the handling sessions.
- Attendance for the hands-on and oral assessment is compulsory.

Date	Duration	Topic & Outline	Learning Outcomes	Method	Trainers
4 to 8 July 2022	30 mins	<b>Behavioural Ecology</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Introduction to stray dog behavioural ecology</li> <li>•Distribution and behaviour of free-ranging dog populations</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•To ensure that the handler is competent in safeguarding dog welfare during trapping operations</li> <li>•To guide the handler in safe dogs trapping when carrying out their duties</li> <li>•To improve the understanding and awareness of the use and impact of different capture techniques and equipment when trapping dogs</li> </ul>	Pre-recorded lectures	Chong Qi Ai
	60 mins	<b>Canine Behaviour and Welfare</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Introduction to animal welfare</li> <li>•Understanding suffering and negative emotional states of animals</li> <li>•Identifying behaviours indicative of negative emotional states in dogs</li> <li>•Understanding behavioural triggers</li> <li>•Common triggers and motivators for aggressive behaviour</li> </ul>			Chong Qi Ai
	90 mins	<b>Trapping, handling and transport</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Guiding principles on animal welfare during trapping operation</li> <li>•Trapping methodology</li> <li>•Handling and transferring</li> <li>•Transportation and holding period</li> <li>•Dealing with injured animals</li> <li>•Vaccinations, dos and don'ts, appropriate PPE</li> </ul>			Evan Lin
	40 mins	<b>Legislation Governing Community Animals and Animal Welfare Issues in Singapore</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Animals and Birds Act</li> <li>•Understand the legislative powers regulating animal management &amp; welfare</li> <li>•Be familiar with common provisions used to regulate animal management &amp; welfare</li> <li>•Understand the relevance of the regulations to scope of work</li> </ul>			Dr Audrey Chen & Joshua Teoh
12 July 2022 10am to 11am	60 mins	<b>Theory Assessment</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•MCQs* (20 questions)</li> </ul>		Online	
14 July 2022 9am to 1:30pm	120 mins	<b>Hands-on session</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Practical hands-on practice on trapping equipment</li> </ul> <b>Oral Assessment</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Group/individual presentation#</li> <li>#Case scenarios will be given. e.g., How will you design a trap which ensures public safety, personnel safety and animal welfare via a 15 min presentation.</li> </ul>		Hands-on at SPCA 50 Sungei Tengah Road, Singapore 699012	SPCA