Small Pet Emergency Care Training Course

Professional Development Training Course Outline

Category	Veterinary and Animal Science	**Duration**	5 Days
Base Fee	$1,500 USD	**Delivery Mode**	Online / On-site Hybrid

Course Introduction

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This training integrates hands-on practice, case-based learning, and simulation scenarios, providing learners with the confidence to handle real-world emergencies. Participants will explore advanced first aid techniques, vital signs monitoring, critical care management, and behavioral assessment, empowering them to act decisively in stressful situations. By the end of the course, learners will not only acquire technical expertise but also develop critical thinking and emergency triage skills to prioritize care for small pets efficiently and safely.

Programme Curriculum

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Course Objectives

1. Master emergency first aid for rabbits, hamsters, guinea pigs, and exotic pets.
2. Identify critical symptoms and perform rapid triage assessment.
3. Apply CPR techniques tailored to small pets.
4. Execute wound management and bleeding control protocols.
5. Manage respiratory distress and cardiac emergencies.
6. Administer oral and injectable medications safely.
7. Implement infection control and biosecurity measures.
8. Monitor and interpret vital signs and physiological indicators.
9. Handle poisoning and toxin exposure with immediate interventions.
10. Provide pain management and stress reduction techniques.
11. Conduct behavioral assessment during emergencies.
12. Utilize emergency care equipment efficiently.
13. Document and report emergency case studies for continuous improvement.

Target Audience

1. Veterinary assistants and technicians
2. Small animal veterinarians
3. Pet sitters and caregivers
4. Animal shelter staff
5. Exotic pet owners
6. Veterinary students
7. Animal rescue volunteers
8. Pet grooming professionals interested in emergency care

Course Modules

Module 1: Introduction to Small Pet Emergencies

- Overview of small pet anatomy and physiology
- Common emergency scenarios
- Recognizing early warning signs
- Risk factors for rabbits, guinea pigs, and hamsters
- **Case Study:** Rabbit with gastrointestinal stasis

Module 2: Emergency First Aid & Triage

- Rapid assessment and prioritization
- CPR and resuscitation techniques
- Bleeding control and wound stabilization
- Shock management
- **Case Study:** Guinea pig with traumatic injury

Module 3: Respiratory & Cardiac Emergencies

- Identifying respiratory distress
- Managing cardiac arrest in small pets
- Oxygen therapy techniques
- Use of nebulizers and monitoring devices
- **Case Study:** Hamster with heart failure

Module 4: Toxicology & Poison Management

- Common household toxins for small pets
- Immediate detoxification measures
- Medication and antidote administration
- Preventive strategies for poisoning
- **Case Study:** Bird ingestion of household chemicals

Module 5: Medication & Pain Management

- Oral and injectable drug administration
- Pain assessment and alleviation
- Sedation for procedures
- Dosing calculations based on weight
- **Case Study:** Guinea pig post-surgery pain management

Module 6: Infection Control & Biosecurity

- Sanitation protocols in emergency care
- Preventing cross-contamination
- Isolation techniques
- PPE use and sterilization practices
- **Case Study:** Rabbit with upper respiratory infection

Module 7: Critical Care Monitoring

- Vital signs monitoring (heart rate, temperature, respiration)
- Fluid therapy and hydration management
- Nutritional support in emergencies
- Use of monitoring equipment
- **Case Study:** Hamster recovering from severe dehydration

Module 8: Case-Based Simulations & Emergency Protocols

- Hands-on simulation of emergency scenarios
- Step-by-step emergency interventions
- Team communication and decision-making
- Record keeping and case documentation

- **Case Study:** Multi-pet household emergency response

Training Methodology

This course employs a participatory and hands-on approach to ensure practical learning, including:

- Interactive lectures and presentations.
- Group discussions and brainstorming sessions.
- Hands-on exercises using real-world datasets.
- Role-playing and scenario-based simulations.
- Analysis of case studies to bridge theory and practice.
- Peer-to-peer learning and networking.
- Expert-led Q&A sessions.
- Continuous feedback and personalized guidance.

Register as a group from 3 participants for a Discount

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Certification

Upon successful completion of this training, participants will be issued with a globally- recognized certificate.

Tailor-Made Course

We also offer tailor-made courses based on your needs.

Key Notes

a. The participant must be conversant with English.

b. Upon completion of training the participant will be issued with an Authorized Training Certificate

c. Course duration is flexible and the contents can be modified to fit any number of days.

d. The course fee includes facilitation training materials, 2 coffee breaks, buffet lunch and A Certificate upon successful completion of Training.

e. One-year post-training support Consultation and Coaching provided after the course.

f. Payment should be done at least a week before commence of the training, to Fineskill Training Center account, as indicated in the invoice so as to enable us prepare better for you.

Upcoming Scheduled Sessions

Start Date	End Date	Location	Price
23 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Online	$1,000
23 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Physical	$1,500

Start Date	End Date	Location	Price
23 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Physical	$3,000
23 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Physical	$3,000
23 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Physical	$6,000
23 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Physical	$4,500
23 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Physical	$6,000
23 Nov 2026	27 Nov 2026	Physical	$6,000

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