

Course Registration

Date _____
Name _____
Address _____
City _____
Zip _____
Please use home address
Employer _____
Title _____
Phone/Cell _____
Email _____
Course Date _____
Course Location _____

	Current TACA Member	Non-Member*
Course 101	<input type="checkbox"/> \$150	<input type="checkbox"/> \$200
Course 201	<input type="checkbox"/> \$150	<input type="checkbox"/> \$200
Course 301	<input type="checkbox"/> \$75	<input type="checkbox"/> \$125

**Membership is included in course cost*

Make checks payable to TACA

Return registration and payment to:
Texas Animal Control Association
4206 Selina Ct.

Arlington, TX 76016
Phone: (682) 241-0905

All credit card information
below is required.

Check one: Visa Mastercard



Zip Code _____ Security # _____

Name on card _____

Card Number _____

Expires (MO/YR) _____

Total Amount \$ _____

Signature _____

Texas Animal Control Association

Who We Are

Established in 1974, the Texas Animal Control Association (TACA) is a non-profit organization dedicated to the advancement of animal control and animal welfare personnel. Membership in TACA shows the highest degree of commitment to the animal control and welfare field. TACA works to ensure that its member's voices are heard at the local, state, and national levels to ensure that the best interests of the profession are protected.

Mission Statement

TACA is an association committed to the advancement of all animal control and animal welfare professionals through education, leadership and advocacy.

TCCI Training

In 2011, TACA was asked to take over the training programs formerly offered by the Association of Certified Cruelty investigators. ACCI was wanting to improve the training it was providing by making the courses specific to each of the states they were currently teaching in. ACCI recognized TACA as the leading agency in Texas for animal control and welfare and knew TACA's history and stability made them the ideal candidate to continue providing this much needed training to the benefit of TACA's members and the animals they protect. TACA's board recognized the value the courses provided to its membership and unanimously approved taking over the courses. This new training became known as the Texas Certified Cruelty Investigator courses and provides the highest level of specialized training for those tasked with performing these duties.



TEXAS CERTIFIED CRUELTY INVESTIGATOR COURSES



Texas Animal Control Association
4206 Selina Ct.
Arlington, TX 76016

Please visit www.taca.org for contact information for Board Members and staff

TACA's Texas Certified Cruelty Investigator courses are designed to provide the knowledge and skills needed to handle all aspects of a cruelty investigation, from report writing to courtroom procedures.



Cruelty cases are often won or lost based upon the credentials of the expert witnesses. Defense attorneys will often attempt to have testimony from ACOs thrown out or disallowed if they can't prove that they have specific experience in cruelty investigations. Certification as a TCCI provides tangible proof that you have the training and experience needed to handle these unique cases

and will make sure that your voice is recognized as the expert testimony it should be.



COURSE OUTLINES

CI 101

The correlation between animal cruelty and human violence

Bloodsports

Animal husbandry of domestic pets and livestock

Approved for 17 CE hours by the TDSHS

CI 201

Basic investigation techniques

Legal aspects

Search warrants

Writing reports, warrants, and affidavits

Mock trial

Approved for 13 CE hours by the TDSHS

CI 301

Texas cruelty laws

On-scene evidence collection

Processing evidence in the shelter

Puppy mills

Animal hoarders

Approved for 6.5 CE hours by the TDSHS

All courses are approved by the Texas Department of State Health Services for continuing education hours for Animal Control Officers

All courses are approved by the Texas Veterinary Medical Association for continuing education hours for Certified Veterinary Technicians

CI 101 and 301 are approved by the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Education for continuing education hours for law enforcement personnel

CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

Animal Control Officers must satisfactorily complete all three courses

Certified Peace Officers must satisfactorily complete Courses 101 and 301

Courses do not have to be taken in any particular order, however certification is not transferred until all courses are successfully completed as required above

Officers who have successfully completed a cruelty investigations course given by the National Animal Control Association, the Law Enforcement Training Institute, or the Association of Certified Cruelty Investigators may be certified as a TCCI if they submit proof of completion to ContactTaca@gmail.com for consideration and approval

All Officers certified as TCCI must obtain and maintain an annual membership with TACA

All Officers certified as TCCI must successfully complete a renewal course at least once every three years

Renewal courses will be provided annually at TACA's conference beginning in 2013

