



Course Title:	Re-evaluating animal training - are we maximising welfare potential?
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Aimed at:	Those already experienced in animal training who wish to further their understanding of training to ensure positive animal welfare and maximise welfare potential.
Language taught in:	English
Taught hours:	24
Extra hours for study etc:	15 minutes to complete a pre-course survey
Cost:	EAZA members: €300 Non-members: €375
Minimum group size:	16
Dates:	26 – 28 November 2018 (three full days)
Delivery Method:	Face to Face
Location(s) :	Paignton Zoo, UK
Links to other courses:	No other courses necessary. Attendance of the EAZA Academy's Animal Training: Understanding and Managing Animal Behaviour and/or Animal Welfare course(s) would be beneficial but not essential.

Course Aim(s):

The workshop is designed for animal care professionals, who are experienced in animal training techniques, who wish to reassess their current techniques to ensure welfare potential is maximised and develop a deeper understanding of applying animal training techniques to promote positive animal welfare. The programme will build upon current training techniques and discuss animal behaviour, psychology and learning; and delve into the direct and indirect effects of training techniques and practices on welfare. The workshop will involve theory and practical activities concerning identifying factors affecting your animals' welfare, problem-solving techniques and applying animal training techniques with a holistic approach to positive animal welfare.

Learning Outcomes:

By the end of this workshop you will:

- Have a deeper understanding of both animal welfare and animal training techniques.
- Be able to identify the factors associated with animal training which will impact animal welfare.
- Be able to problem-solve with regards to training programmes and techniques to ensure positive animal welfare.

- Be able to modify your animal training techniques and procedures to maximise welfare.

Content:

- What is animal welfare?
- Choice and Control
- Motivations for training
- Indirect Vs direct impacts of training on animal welfare, including the use of food and social impacts
- How are we measuring the success of training?
- Exploring taxa specific challenges
- Demonstration animals
- The trainer-animal relationship
- Integration of behavioural training into the daily lives of animals for betterment of welfare

Additional information:

All resources will be provided by EAZA.

How to apply:

Complete an application form (available at <http://www.eaza.net/academy/>) and send it to EAZA Academy Manager Laura Myers (Laura.Myers@eaza.net) putting the course title in the subject line. Once you have submitted your application you will be contacted to confirm whether you have been accepted onto the training event.